

North Augusta



South Carolina's Riverfront

MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2022

Briton S. Williams, Mayor

*J. Robert Brooks, Councilmember
Pat C. Carpenter, Councilmember
Jenafer F. McCauley, Councilmember
David W. McGhee, Councilmember
Eric H. Presnell, Councilmember
Kevin W. Toole, Councilmember*

ORDER OF BUSINESS

STUDY SESSION

The Study Session of May 9, 2022 for the City Council of the City of North Augusta, having been duly publicized, was called to order by Mayor Briton S. Williams at 6:00 p.m. and also streamed online for public viewing at the City Facebook page: "City of North Augusta – Public Information" and City YouTube page: "City of North Augusta Public Information." The Study Session adjourned 7:17 p.m.

Per Section 30-4-80(e) notice of the meetings was sent out by email to the current maintained "Agenda Mailout" list consisting of news media outlets and individuals or companies requesting notification. Notice of the meetings was also posted on the outside doors of the Municipal Center, the main bulletin board of the Municipal Center located on the first floor, and the City of North Augusta website.

Members present were Mayor Williams, Councilmembers Brooks, Carpenter, McCauley, McGhee, Presnell, and Toole.

Also in attendance were James S. Clifford, City Administrator; Rachele Moody, Assistant City Administrator; Kelly F. Zier, City Attorney; Lynda Williamson, Manager of Finance; Thomas C. Zeaser, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Karl Waldhauer, Superintendent of Facilities and Programs for Parks, Recreation, and Tourism; John C. Thomas, Director of Public Safety; James E. Sutton, Director of Public Services; Thomas L. Paradise, Director of Planning and Development; Ricky Jones, Manager of Information Technology; and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk.

ITEM 1. CITY COUNCIL MEETING: Items for May 16, 2022 Council Meeting- Council Discussion

City Administrator, Jim Clifford, led Council's discussion of items for the May 16, 2022 regular meeting. Eric Carrier of the Lower Savannah Council of Governments added comments of explanation about Item # 7: Ordinance 2022-06.

Please see ATTACHMENT #1 for a copy of the proposed agenda items.

ITEM 2. DEPARTMENT DETAILS:

Please see ATTACHMENT #2 for a copy of the "Department Details May 9, 2022" and shared graphics. Tommy Paradise, Director of Planning and Development, added the Development Code Re-Write Committee will meet Thursday, May 19. Tom Zeaser, Director of Engineering and Public Works, added the Stormwater Management staff hosted a rain barrel workshop along with Aiken County and Columbia County. Kevin Whaley, IT/GIS Analyst, presented a PowerPoint explanation of the New Development Dashboard Application.

ITEM 3. MAYOR'S MATTERS:

A) FOCUS ITEM: PUBLIC SAFETY – Fire Station Coverage – Council Update

John Thomas, Director of Public Safety, and Charles Williams, Captain of Public Safety, updated Council on current fire station coverage and began a discussion of future needs. Current development in the City seems to direct staff to recommend future planning for an additional fire station at W. Martintown Road at I-20 and then following thereafter with another station at Highway 25 and Ascauga Lake Road. Presentation also included the department's current apparatus inventory and discussion of future needs to add additional equipment and replace aging vehicles.

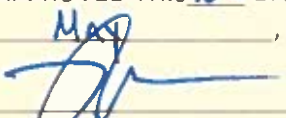
Please see ATTACHMENT #3A for a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

B) Mayor Williams announced

- "Celebrity Waiter Night" at the SnoCap Drive In on May 16th to benefit Children's Place.
- Downtown Merchants Alliance's "Spring Fest" on May 21st
- Rockin' and Raftin' River Event on June 4th – participants can register on the City's website or FaceBook page. The day includes river races, music and food.


The Study Session adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF
May, 2022.



Britton S. Williams
Mayor

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Lamar
City Clerk



PUBLIC HEARING

2021 Comprehensive Plan Update

May 16, 2022 – 5:30 p.m. - Municipal Center – 100 Georgia Avenue, 3rd Floor - Council Chambers

DRAFT: CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 16, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. – Municipal Center – 100 Georgia Avenue, 3rd Floor - Council Chambers

The Public Power Hour and regular City Council meeting will be streamed for public viewing online at:

- “City of North Augusta – Public Information” on www.Facebook.com
- “City of North Augusta Public Information” on www.YouTube.com

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Citizens may speak to Mayor and City Council on each item listed on this agenda. The Mayor will call for comments prior to Council’s discussion. Speakers shall give their name and address in an audible tone of voice. Speaker Forms are provided on the credenza at the entrance for speakers desiring that the minutes indicate that they addressed Council on a specific topic. The form will be included as part of the minutes of the meeting. Citizen comments are limited to five minutes.

CITIZEN ASSISTANCE: Individuals needing special assistance or sign interpreter to participate in the meeting, please notify the Administration Department 48 hours prior to the meeting.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
3. **ROLL CALL:**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - Regular City Council Meeting minutes of May 2, 2022
 - Study Session minutes of May 9, 2022
5. **PROCLAMATION:** National Law Enforcement Week
6. **PROCLAMATION:** Public Works Week
7. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:** Ordinance No. 2022-06 – An Ordinance Adopting a 5-Year Update to the 2017 Comprehensive Plan for the City of North Augusta; Ordinance– First Reading
8. **ZONING:** Ordinance No. 2022-07 – To Amend the Zoning Map of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina by Rezoning ±2.72 Acres of Land Owned by Barbara Andrews Ross, a Portion of Aiken County Tax Parcel #005-19-02-031 from CR, Critical Areas to R-7, Small Lot, Single-Family Residential; Ordinance – First Reading
9. **ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS:** Resolution No. 2022-20 – Authorizing a Professional Engineering Services Contract for the Pole Branch Watershed Remediation
10. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

11. PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

A. Citizen Comments - *At this time, citizens may speak to Mayor and City Council regarding matters not listed on the agenda. Speakers shall give their name and address for the records. Speaker Forms are provided on the credenza for speakers desiring that the minutes indicate that they addressed Council on a specific topic. The form will be included as part of the minutes of the meeting. Citizen comments are limited to five minutes.*

B. Council Comments –

12. ADJOURNMENT



*Thank you for attending tonight's meeting of the North Augusta City Council.
To assure every citizen's privilege to speak to City Council and to maintain proper decorum
the following sections of the City's Code of Ordinances are reprinted.*

Sec. 2-57. Order and decorum generally

(a) By council members. While the council is in session, the members must preserve order and decorum, and a member shall not, by conversation or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings or the peace of the council, or disturb any member while speaking or refuse to obey the orders of the council or its presiding officer, except as otherwise herein provided.

(b) By other persons. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks or who shall become boisterous while addressing the council shall be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council, unless permission to continue be granted by a majority vote of the council.

Sec. 2-58. Sergeant-at-arms

The public safety director or such members of the public safety department as the director may designate, shall be sergeant-at-arms of the council meetings. They shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the presiding officer for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the council meeting. Upon instructions of the presiding officer, it shall be the duty of the sergeant-at-arms, to place any person who violates the order and decorum of the meeting under arrest, and cause such to be prosecuted under the provisions of this Code, the complaint to be signed by the presiding officer.

Sec. 2-62. Addressing council--Permission required; exceptions

Any person desiring to address the council shall first secure the permission of the presiding officer so to do.

Sec. 2-63. Same--Procedure

Each person addressing the council shall step up in front of the rail, shall give such person's name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records, and unless further time is granted by the council, shall limit the address to five (5) minutes. All remarks shall be addressed to the council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the council and the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, either directly or through a member of the council, without the permission of the presiding officer. No question shall be asked a council member except through the presiding officer.

Sec. 2-64. Persons authorized to be within rail

No person, except city officials or their representatives shall be permitted within the rail in front of the council chamber without the express consent of the council.

DEPARTMENT DETAILS*for May 9, 2022***FINANCE:**

- Cycle 1: Disconnect May 18th & 19th
- Cycle 2: Due Date May 19th
- Penalty period has begun for both business licenses and taxes. Delinquent notices will begin to be mailed at the end of this week.

PUBLIC SERVICES:

- Water Distribution System Flow & Pressure Test (June 7 – October 11)

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

- Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m.
- Georgia Avenue Traffic Calming RFP Review Committee will meet on Wednesday, May 11th at 10:00 a.m.
- The Public Hearing for the Comprehensive Plan Update is next Monday, May 16th at 5:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- DOT permit request sent for road closer through July 31 for Fire Station 1.
- Public Safety met last week with IT on needs of Fire Station 1.

PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM:

- Staff has been working with Cranston Engineering concerning the boat dock at Riverside Village. Preliminary landscape & hardscape plans have been received and staff will reply with comments later this week. We have also secured a Case Manager with the Corps of Engineers and we are starting to navigate through the permitting process.
- An RFP is currently being advertised to re-nourish the 1.2 mile walking trail that circles Riverview Park. The advertisement closes on Thursday, June 2nd.
- The Tourism staff continues to concentrate on preparing for the Rockin' & Raftin' event which is going to be held on Saturday, June 4th.

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS:

- Streets & Drains Storm Clean up
- Waterworks Greenway Bridge Removal
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event – May 21st
- Bluff Avenue Streetscape Utility Relocation

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

- The upcoming cutover to the City's .gov email domain will start Tuesday night after hours and staff will login using their .gov address on Wednesday morning.
- The new development project list with map has been updated. (see attached)

HUMAN RESOURCES:



EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES

Communications Technician I – Public Safety

Grade: 9
Salary/ Pay Rate: \$17.27 - \$20.73/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Firefighter – Public Safety

Grade: 3
Salary/Pay Rate: \$11.90 - \$14.28/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Grounds Worker II – Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Grade: 6
Salary/Pay Rate: \$14.59 - \$17.50/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Grounds Worker II – Property Maintenance

Grade: 6
Salary/Pay Rate: \$14.59 - \$17.50/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Laborer – Streets and Drains

Grade: 4
Salary/Pay Rate: \$12.80 - \$15.35/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Planner – Planning and Development

Grade: 22
Salary/Pay Rate: \$60,154.64 - \$72,185.57
Closing Date: Until Filled

Public Safety Officer – Public Safety

Grade: 15
Salary/Pay Rate: \$21.19 - \$25.43/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Sanitation Worker I – Sanitation Worker

Grade: 4
Salary/ Pay Rate: \$12.80 - \$15.35/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

Utility Worker I – Water/Wastewater

Grade: 4
Salary/Pay Rate: \$12.80 - \$15.35/hour
Closing Date: Until Filled

To apply and to see full job descriptions please visit www.northaugusta.net/jobs. You may also contact Human Resources for more information at 803-442-5710 or klerawson@northaugusta.net.
The City of North Augusta is an Equal Opportunity Employer



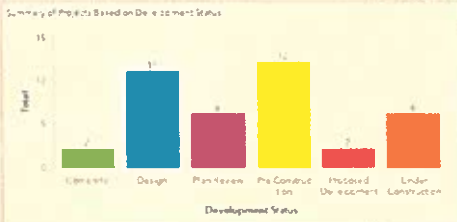
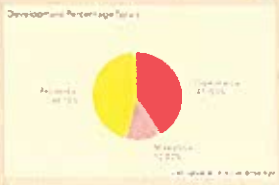
**New Development
Dashboard Application
City of North Augusta**

Kevin Whaley
IT / GIS Analyst

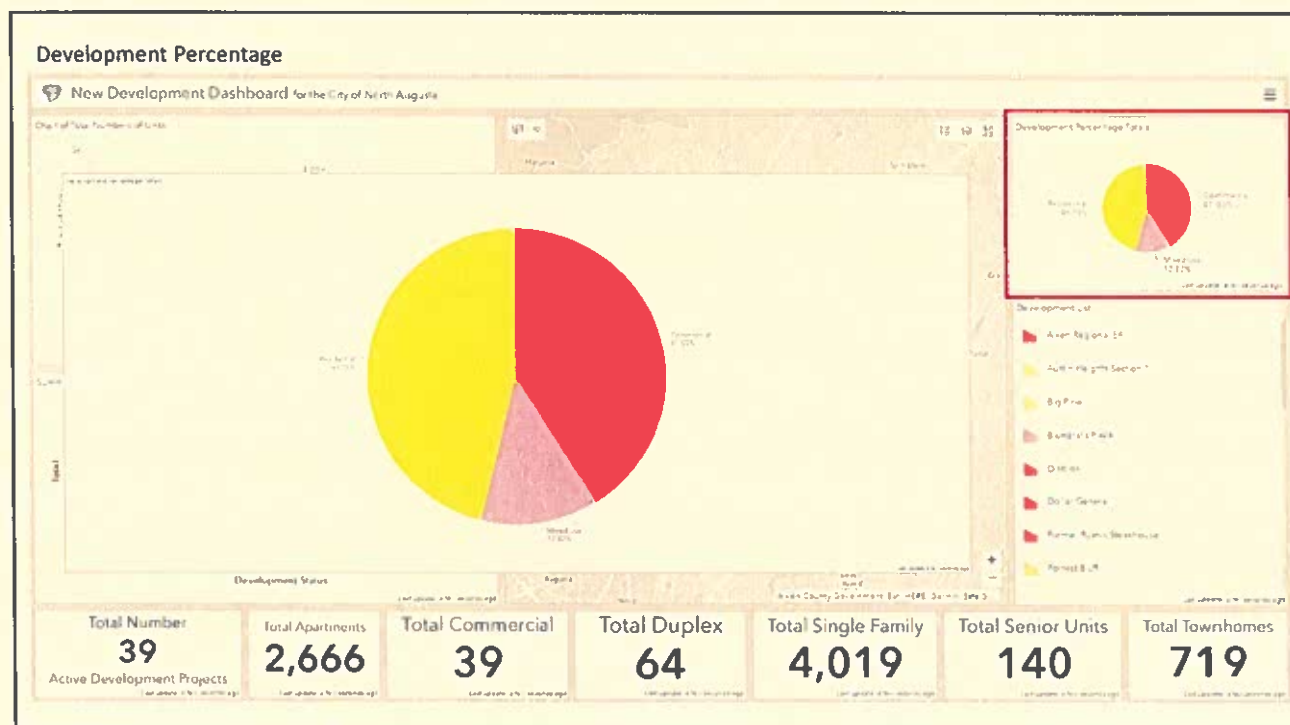
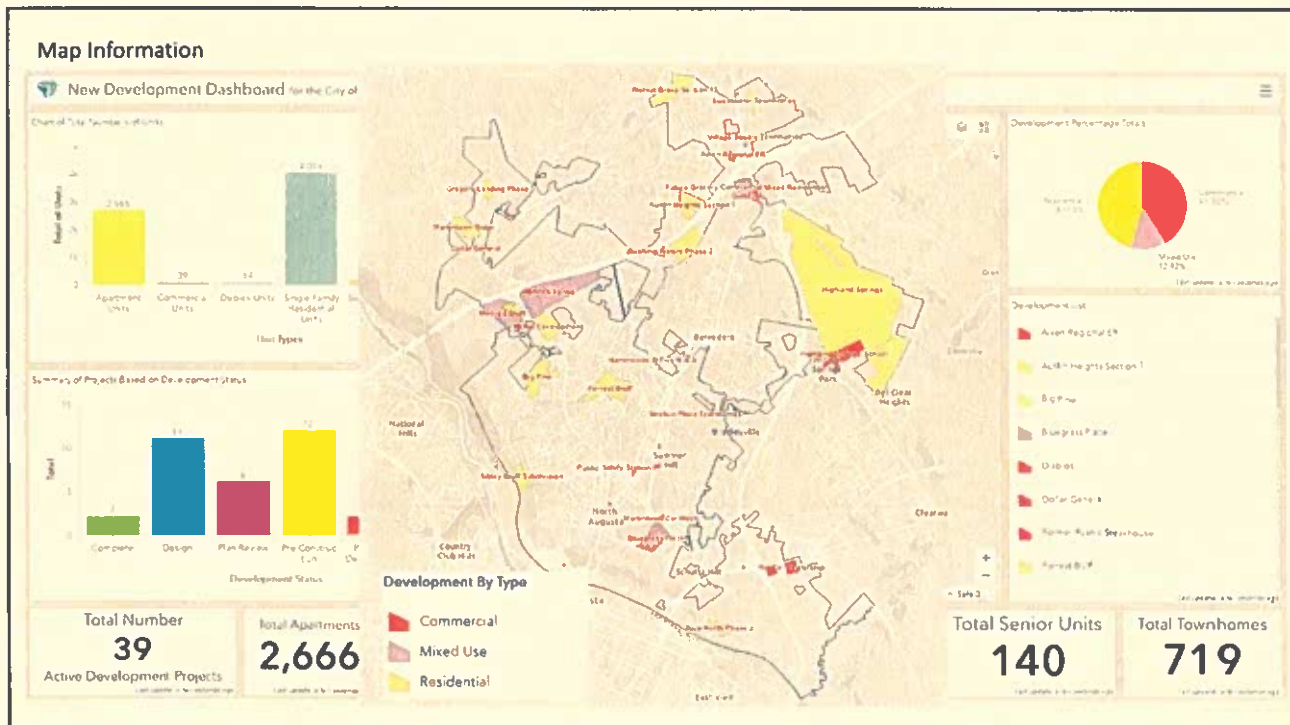


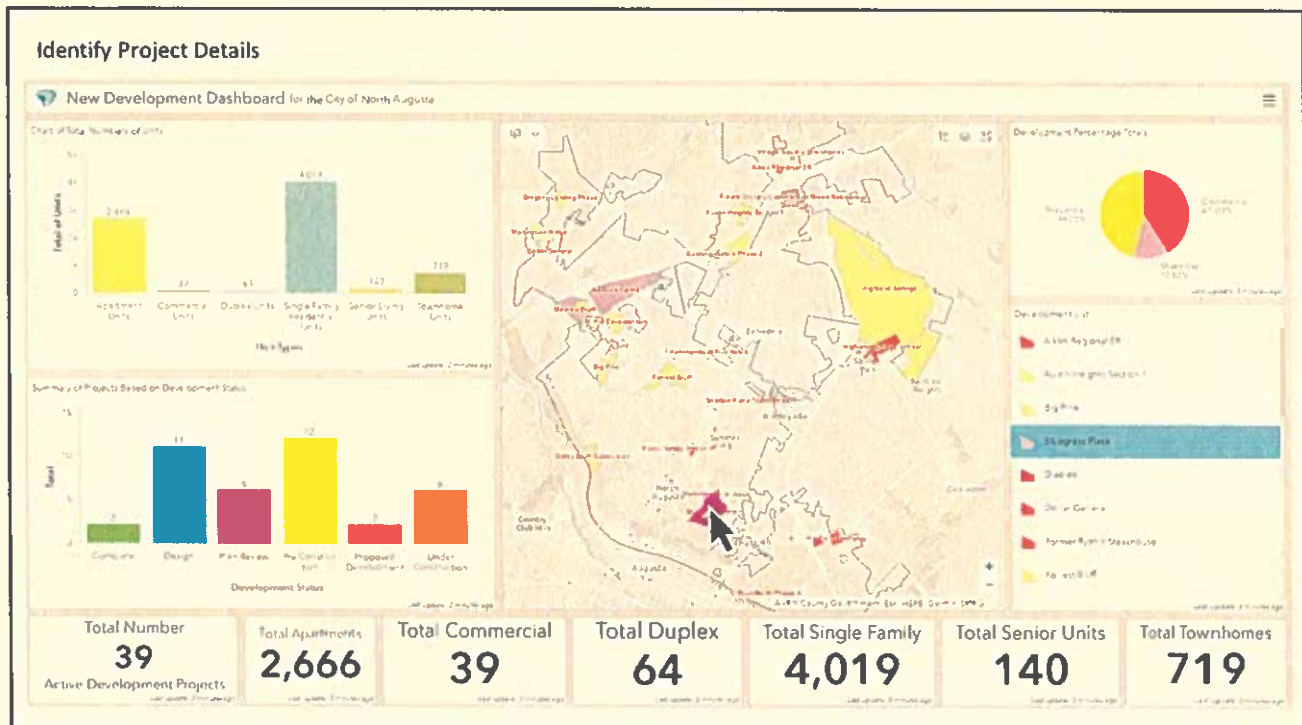
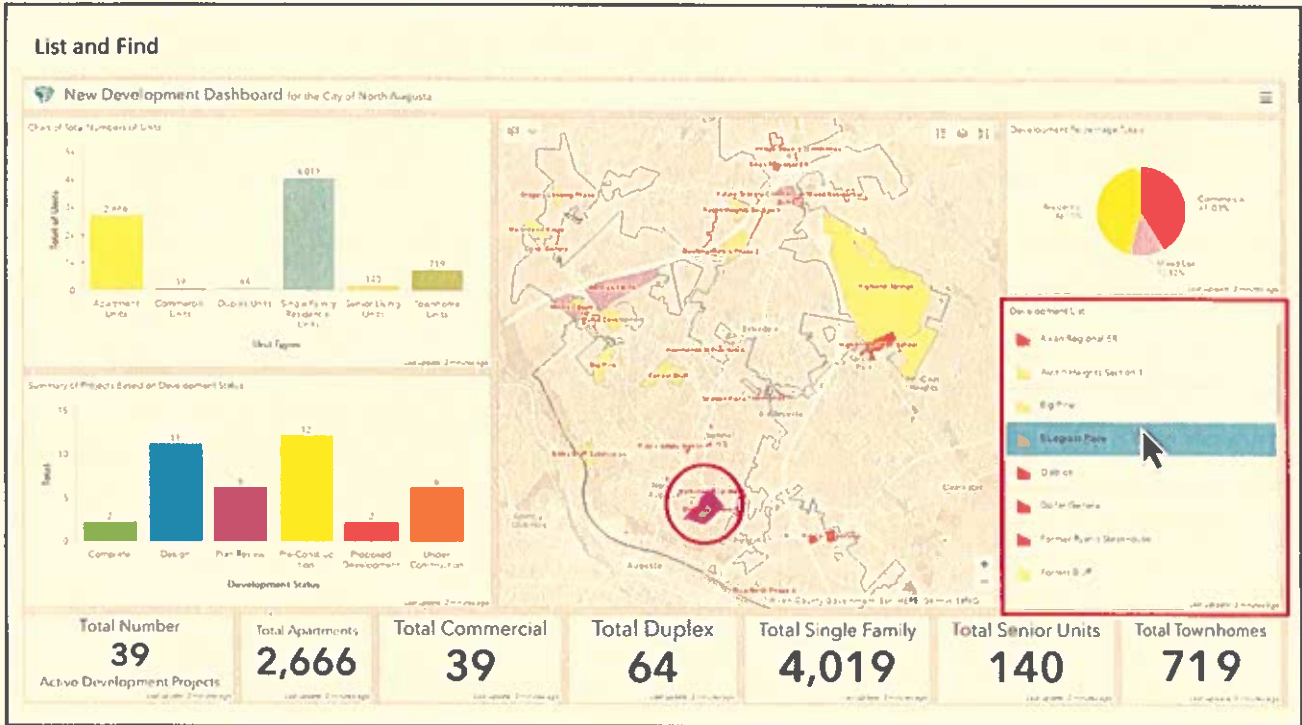
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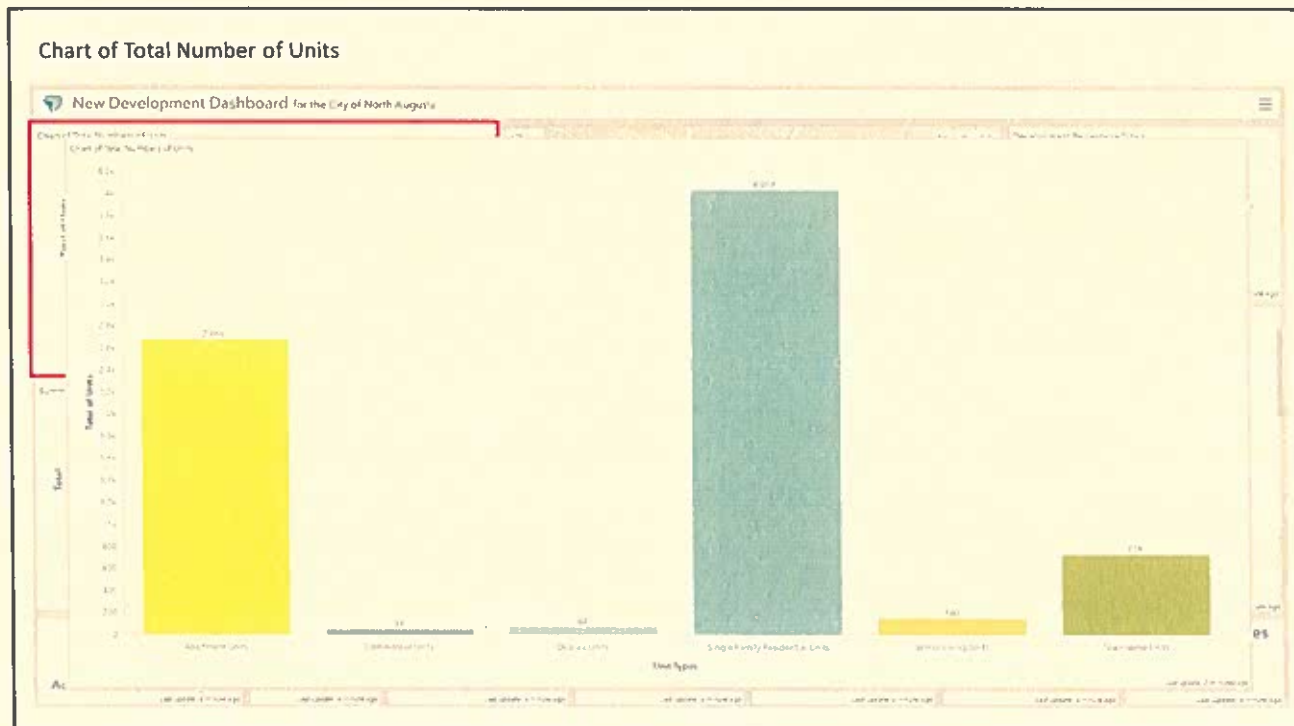
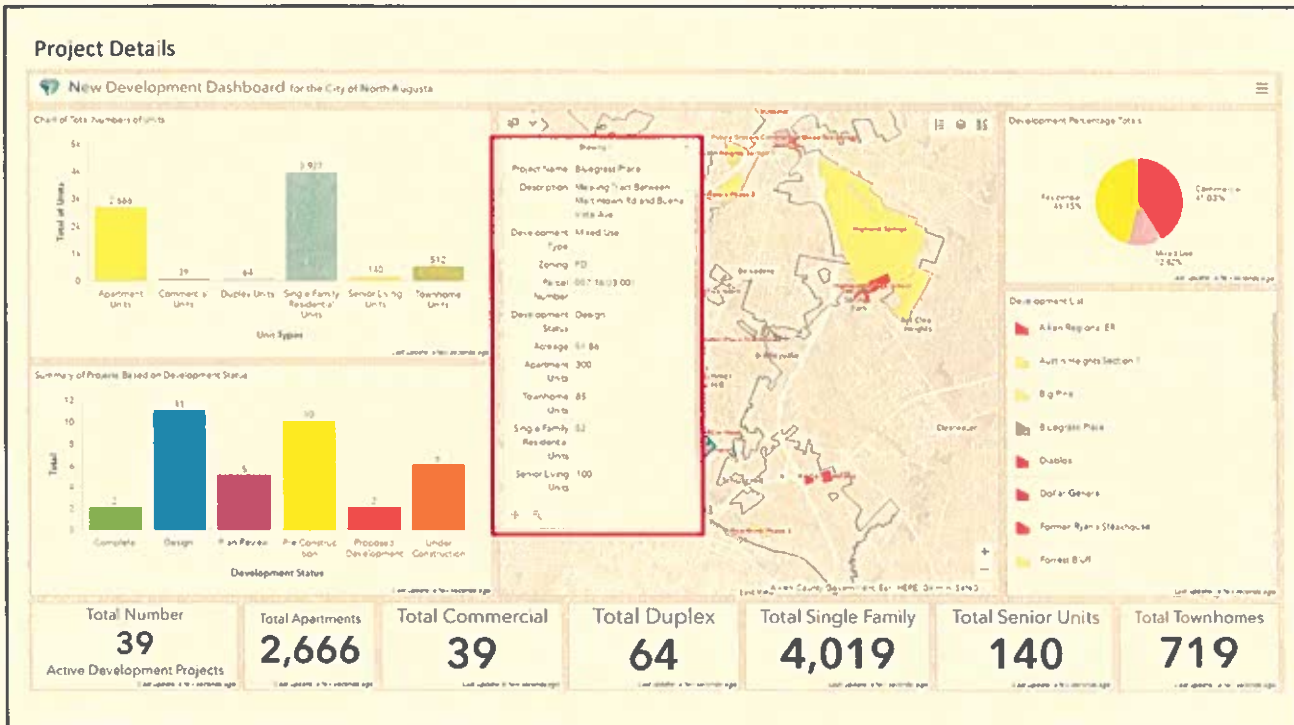
New Development Dashboard for the City of North Augusta

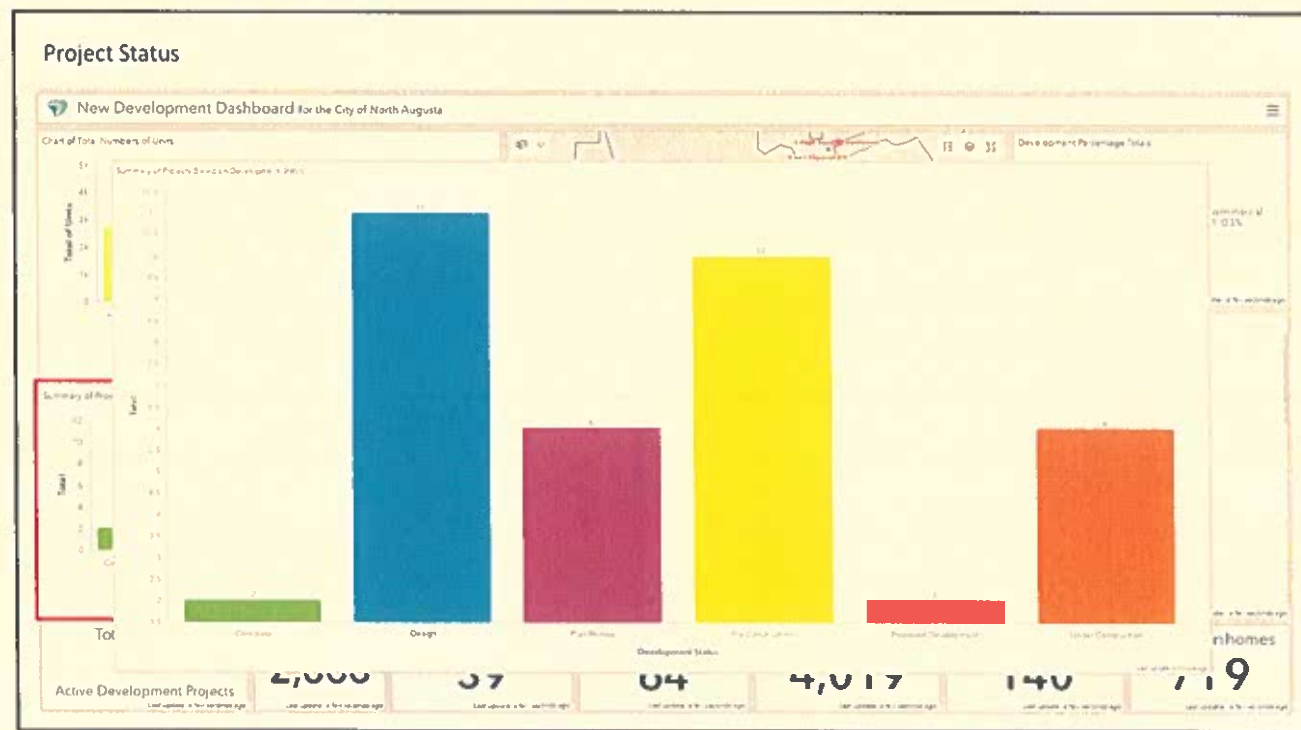
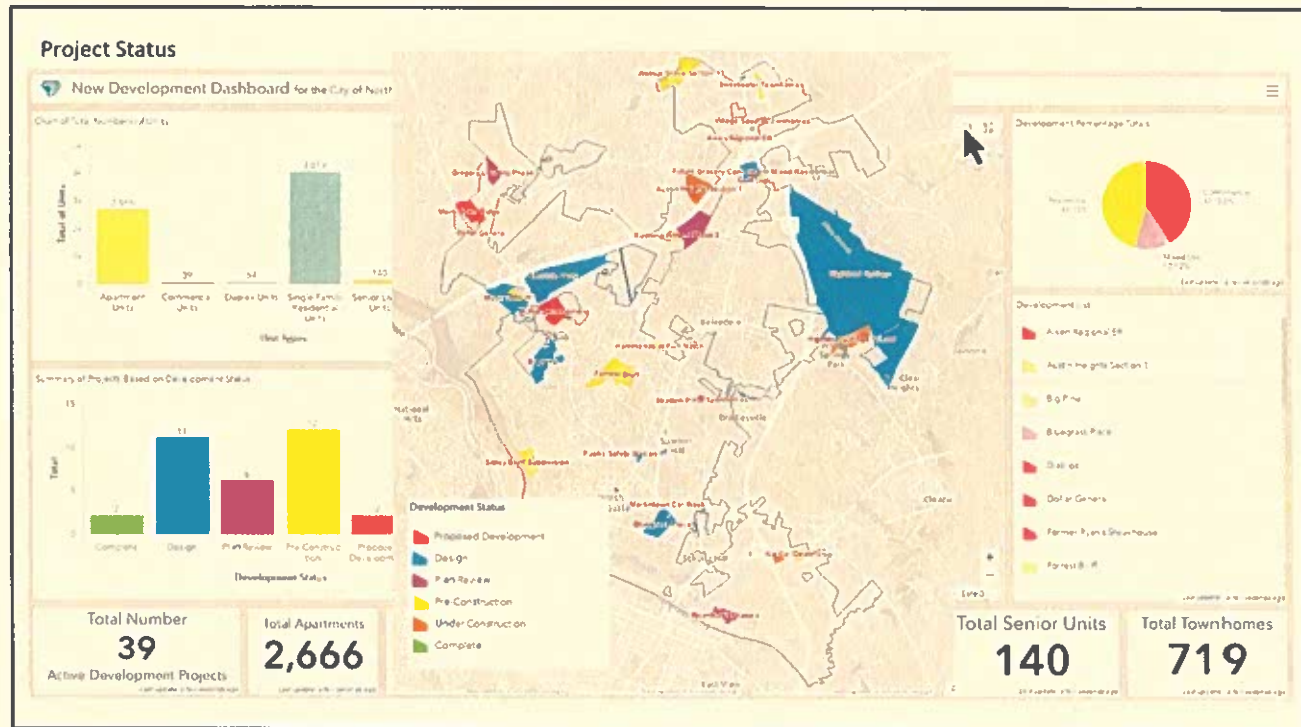


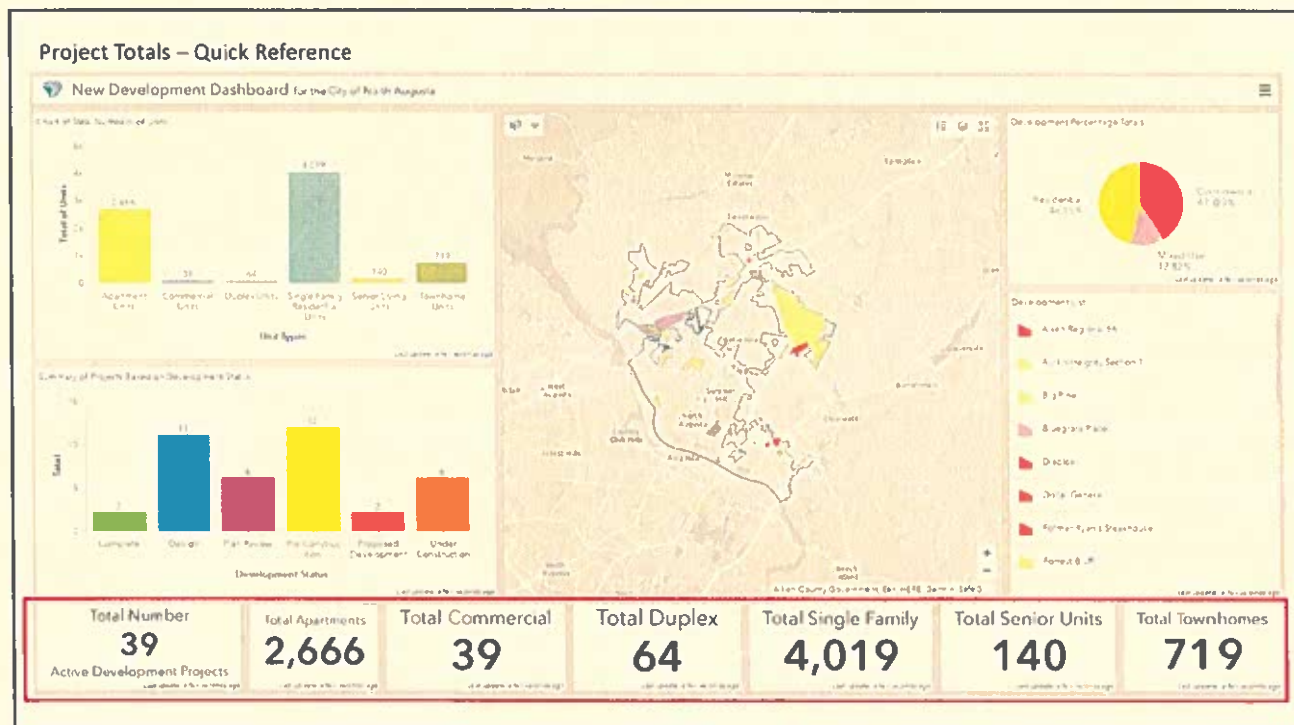
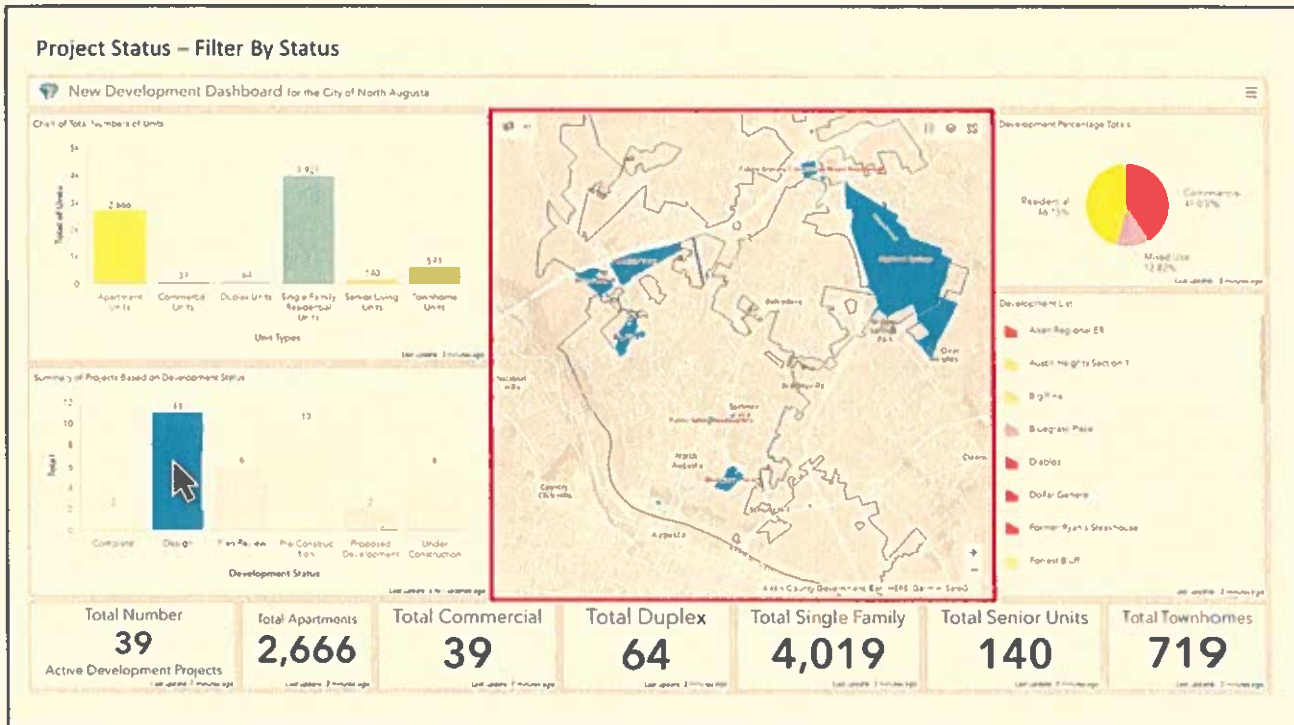
Total Number Active Development Projects 39	Total Apartments 2,666	Total Commercial 39	Total Duplex 64	Total Single Family 4,019	Total Senior Units 140	Total Townhomes 719
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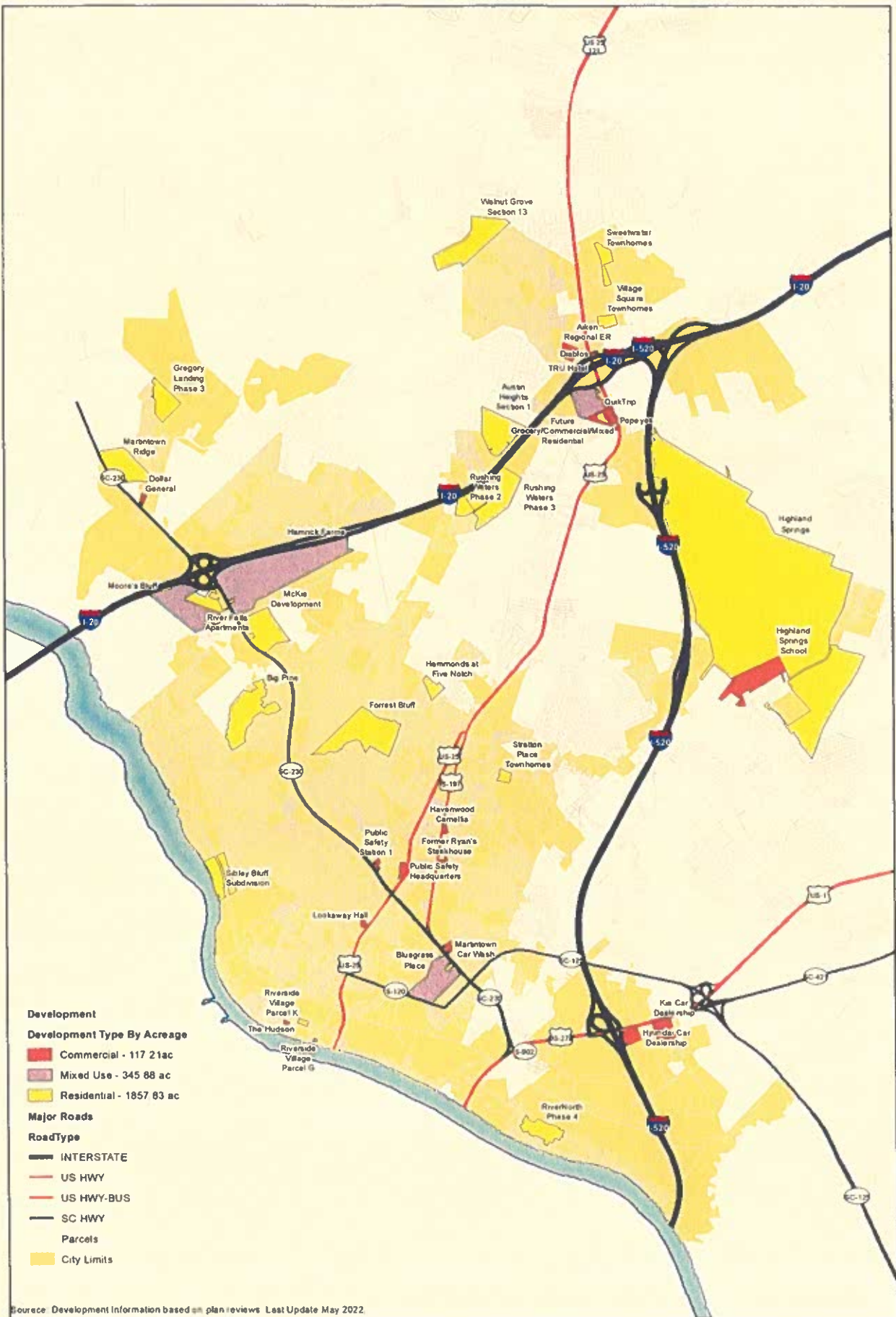












New Development Summary

City of North Augusta

Project Name	Description	Development	Zoning	Development Status	Acres	Apartment Units	Townhome Units	SB Units	Senior Living	Commercial Units	duplex Units
Aiken Regional ER	Hospital	Commercial	GC	Under Construction	4.55	0	0	0	0	0	1
Austin Heights Section 1	Near Station 2 along Austin-Graybill Rd	Residential	R-7	Under Construction	51.50	0	0	81	0	0	0
Big Pine	Chanisher Subdivision	Residential	R-10	Design	66.90	0	0	172	0	0	0
Bluegrass Place	Mealing Tract Between Martintown Rd and Buena Vista Ave	Mixed Use	PD	Design	51.86	300	85	12	100	5	0
Diablo	Same parcel as My Lube	Commercial	GC	Under Construction	1.10	0	0	0	0	1	0
Dollar General	Martintown Rd	Commercial	PD	Complete	2.38	0	0	0	0	1	0
Former Ryan's Steakhouse	R2 Development	Commercial	PD	Design	2.21	0	0	0	0	1	0
Forrest Bluff	Knollwood Subdivision	Residential	R-7	Pre-Construction	89.86	0	37	29	0	0	0
Future grocery/commercial/mixed residential	Ext S South of the Frontage Road	Mixed Use	GC	Design	34.88	362	0	0	0	7	0
Gregory Landing Phase 1		Residential	R-10	Plan Review	27.56	0	0	42	0	0	0
Hammonds at Five Hootch	Townhomes	Residential	R-7	Pre-Construction	10.27	0	0	0	0	0	84
Hannick Farms	Martintown Rd Ext. 1 - Knobcone	Mixed Use	GC	Design	181.91	384	0	284	0	7	0
Havenwood Camellia	Senior Living Apartments	Commercial	GC	Complete	1.30	40	0	0	0	0	0
Highland Springs	Standard Tract Along Palmetto Pkwy	Residential	PD	Proposed Development	1245.18	1189	0	1169	0	0	0
Highland Springs School	Aiken Co Public School K-8th Grade	Commercial	P	Under Construction	51.30	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hyundai - Car Dealership		Commercial	TC	Under Construction	9.59	0	0	0	0	1	0
Kia Car Dealership		Commercial	GC	Pre-Construction	16.50	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lookaway Hall	Re-Development	Commercial	D	Plan Review	1.57	0	0	0	0	1	0
Martintown Car Wash	South of Lill site	Commercial	GC	Plan Review	3.73	0	0	0	0	1	0
Martintown Ridge	Martintown Rd - Potential Annexation - Adams	Residential	R-14	Proposed Development	49.16	0	0	0	0	0	0
McKee Development	Mixed Use Residential	Residential	R-5	Proposed Development	52.10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moore's Bluff	Mixed Development - Townhomes / Commercial	Mixed Use	PD	Design	77.10	0	180	0	0	4	0
Popeyes		Commercial	GC	Design	2.01	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Safety Headquarters	Formerly Seven Gables Property	Commercial	P	Design	4.45	0	0	0	0	1	0
Public Safety Station 1	Fire Station	Commercial	R-16	Under Construction	2.83	0	0	0	0	1	0
Quak'Up	Gas Station and Other Commercial Businesses	Commercial	GC	Under Construction	14.20	0	0	0	0	0	0
River Falls Apartments	Martintown Rd Behind Circle K Station	Residential	R-5	Pre-Construction	16.06	132	0	0	0	0	0
RiverNorth Phase 4		Residential	PD	Plan Review	25.89	0	0	59	0	0	0
Riverside Village Parcel G	mixed retail/residential	Commercial	PD	Design	0.64	19	0	0	0	1	0
Riverside Village Parcel K	apartments	Residential	PD	Design	2.12	300	0	0	0	0	0
Rushing Waters Phase 2		Residential	R-5	Pre-Construction	26.21	0	0	44	0	0	0
Rushing Waters Phase 3	Townhome Development	Residential	R-5	Plan Review	73.45	0	178	0	0	0	0
Sabley Bluff Subdivision		Residential	CR	Under Construction	30.00	0	0	5	0	0	0
Stratton Place Townhomes		Residential	R-7	Plan Review	5.62	0	32	0	0	0	0
Sweetwater Townhomes	Townhomes Homes Near Walmart Exit 5	Residential	PD	Pre-Construction	13.39	0	78	0	0	0	0
The Hudson	Entertaining Venue	Commercial	PD	Pre-Construction	0.81	0	0	0	0	1	0
TRU Hotel	Hotel	Commercial	GC	Pre-Construction	3.99	0	0	0	0	1	0
Village Square Townhomes	Stapleins Farm Rd Development near Midway Inn Express	Residential	PD	Plan Review	8.19	0	79	0	0	0	0
Walnut Grove Section 13	Walnut Grove Subdivision	Residential	PD	Pre-Construction	70.39	0	50	92	0	0	0
Project Total			31		Totals: 7326.75	2666	719	4019	100	38	64

NORTH AUGUSTA PUBLIC SAFETY FIRE DIVISION

FOCUS

- WHY DO WE DO WHAT WE DO? ISO, PPC
ISO-INSURANCE SERVICES OFFICE
PPC-PUBLIC PROTECTION CLASSIFICATION
- STATION'S - LOCATIONS AND APPARATUS
- GROWTH
- NEEDS

- Why do we do what we do? ISO, Insurance Services Office, Inc.
 - Insurance Services Office

ISO collects information on fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. In each of those communities, ISO analyzes the relevant data using our Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS). They then assign a Public Protection Classification (PPC) from 1 to 10. Class 1 represents optimum public protection, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire-suppression program doesn't meet ISO's minimum criteria. By classifying communities' ability to suppress fires, ISO helps the communities evaluate their public fire-protection services.
 - ISO has extensive information on more than 44,000 fire-response jurisdictions.
 - The FSRS considers three main areas of a community's fire suppression system: emergency communications, fire department (including operational, manpower, training), and water supply.

• So what about North Augusta Public Safety? Our PPC rating is a Class 2

The lower your community's ISO fire rating, the cheaper your home insurance premiums will be.

ISO requires us to have four pumps in service at all times due to the size of City and Fire Limits. We're required 2 pumpers for the City and because more than 10% of our fire calls are outside the City Limits but are in the Fire Limits we're required 1 additional pumper and 1 pumper for reserve.

- We use our oldest pumper in the fleet as our reserve

ISO identifies us having 1 Ladder and 2 service Trucks

- 100' Platform
- 75' Ladder - classified as a service / reserved ladder
- Truck 8 Service vehicle

Distribution

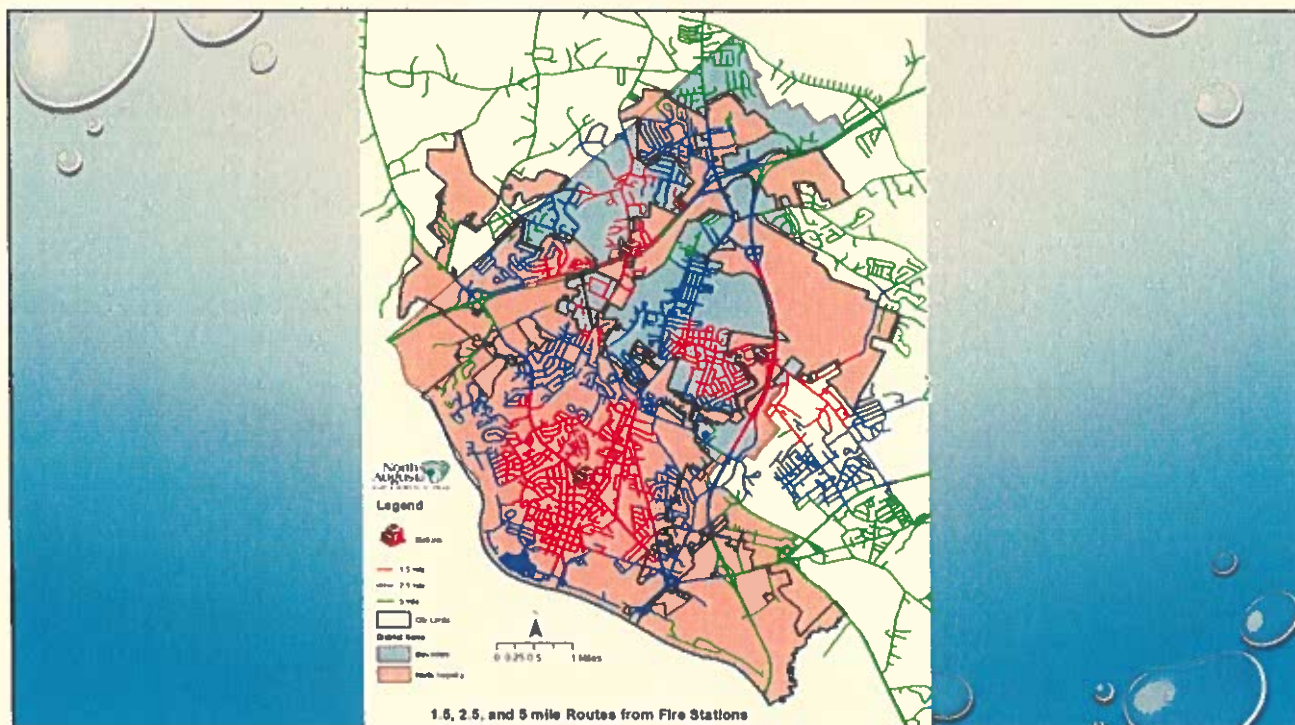
Examines the number and capability of existing engine and ladder-service companies.

- Engine Companies 1½ road miles
- Ladder - Service Companies 2½ road miles
- Anything outside of 5 road miles in your coverage area is classified as no fire protection

A structure fire response requires two pumpers and ladder or service truck. Any multistory building or commercial building we respond two pumpers and the ladder first instead of service truck.

We have our Fire Hydrants code to show GPM's in emergency's

RED: Below 500 GPM
 ORANGE: 500-999 GPM
 GREEN: 1000-1499 GPM
 BLUE: 1500 GPM or more



**City of North Augusta
New Public Safety Fire Station #1
Progress Update
August 2020**



Station 1
311 West Martintown Road

Apparatus Station 1



Engine 1
2019 Pumper
1250 GPM
750 gallon - 30 gal
foam
2044



Rescue 2
2011, Ford 550
250 gpm pump
250 gallon
2036



Ladder 2
2008 100' Platform
2000 GPM
300 gallon
2033



2007
17' Pioneer,
Evinrude 115 HP

Station 1



Station 2
501 West Five Notch Road

Apparatus Station 2



Engine 2
2005 Pumper
1250 GPM
750 gallon

2030



Truck 8
1992
Service Truck

2017



Engine 4
1988 Pumper
1250 GPM
750 gallon
Reserve



Truck 6
1998 Chev 3500
250 GPM
250 gallon



Station 3
692 Belvedere Clearwater Road

Apparatus Station 3



Engine 3
2015 Pumper
1250 GPM
750 gallon - 30 gal foam

2040



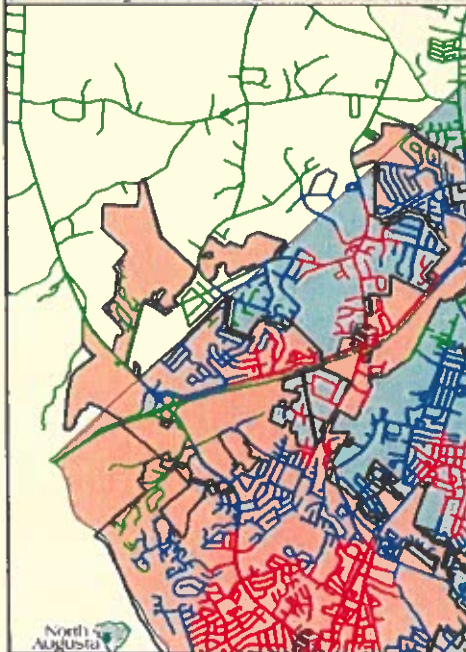
Ladder 1
75' Ladder
1981 Ladder
1250 GPM
500 gallon



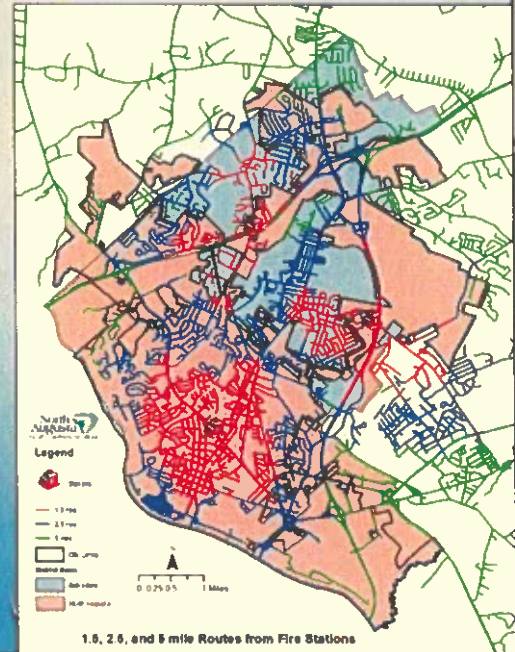
Truck 7
1998 FL80
250 GPM
1600 gallon tank

2023

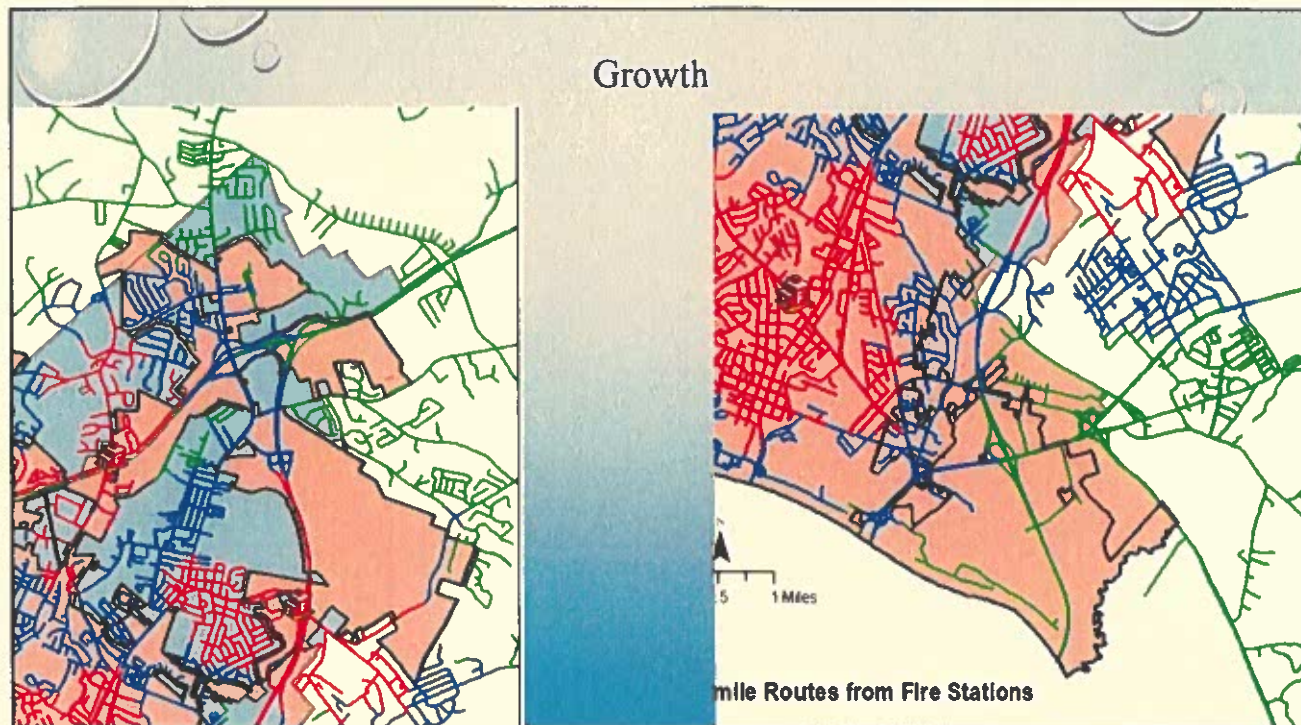
Growth



1. West Martintown Road @ I-20
2. US 25 @ Ascauga Lake Road
3. US 1 @ I 520



1.5, 2.5, and 5 mile Routes from Fire Stations



As we operate today with each additional new station that we build, it will require a Station Sergeant and 3 additional firefighters. With the construction of the station the apparatus distribution would need to be looked at or even new apparatus acquired for the station.

Equipment

Our first priority is to replace this 1981 75' Ladder. In early 2021 we have received pricing of approximately \$1.4 million with new equipment on it. The apparatus is 100' ladder, small wheelbase.



Our second priority would be to replace this 1992 Ford service vehicle with a more modern one. As of now we cannot even fill our air pack bottles on the scene without calling a volunteer department.

