

North Augusta



South Carolina's Riverfront

MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 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

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of North Augusta of June 20, 2022 having been duly publicized was called to order by Mayor Williams at 6:00 p.m. and also streamed online for public viewing at "City of North Augusta – Public Information" on [www.Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/cityofna) and on the City YouTube page: "City of North Augusta Public Information" then adjourned at 7:04 p.m. Per Section 30-4-80, (e) notice of the meeting by email was sent out to the current maintained "Agenda Mailout" list consisting of news media outlets and individuals or companies requesting notification. Notice of the meeting 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.

Mayor Williams rendered the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Also in attendance were James S. Clifford, City Administrator; Rachelle Moody, Assistant City Administrator; Kelly F. Zier, City Attorney; John C. Thomas, Director of Public Safety; Ricky L. Jones, Manager of Information Technology; and Sharon Lamar, City Clerk.

The minutes of the regular City Council meeting of June 6, 2022 were approved by general consent.

ITEM 5. PROCLAMATIONS:

- **Mehki Bosket 2022 Class 4A Track and Field High Jump State Champion**

Mayor Williams recognized Mehki Bosket 2022 Class 4A Track and Field High Jump State Champion.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mehki Bosket began his high school athletic career playing football at North Augusta High School, but experienced a major injury during his sophomore season; AND,

WHEREAS, while seeking to get the most of his high school athletic career and with the encouragement of Coach James Gore, Mehki decided to give Track and Field a try; AND,

WHEREAS, after committing five days a week for four months to instruction, practice, and competition in High Jump, Mehki qualified at the Region, Lower State, and then 4A State Championship level; AND

WHEREAS, while maturing mentally, physically, and emotionally; fighting through the adversity of his injury; and even a four-hour weather delay in the middle of the State Championship, all of Mehki Bosket's focus, determination, and character growth culminated in his clearing a jump at a height he had never reached before on his first attempt to win the State Championship.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Briton S. Williams, Mayor of the City of North Augusta do hereby respectfully request that the citizens of North Augusta join me in celebrating and honoring Mehki Bosket as the 2022 South Carolina Class 4A Track and Field High Jump State Champion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, to be affixed this twentieth day of June, 2022.

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- **North Augusta High School Girls Softball Team 2022 Class 4A State Champions**

Mayor Williams recognized North Augusta High School Girls Softball Team 2022 Class 4A State Champion.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the North Augusta High School Girls' Softball team went undefeated in their region play and were 33-2 overall during their 2022 season; AND,

WHEREAS, this outstanding team had the most wins; the longest winning streak at twenty-three; the most home runs; the most singles and walks; and most strike outs by a pitcher in a single season in school history; AND,

WHEREAS, this talented group of young women includes six All Region players; the Region Player of the Year; three All-State players; two North/South All-Star Game players; the 4A Player of the Year-

Middle Schoolers

*Ayla Holmes
Madalynn Tigert*

Sophomores

*LeAnn Gilbert
Sarah Henry
Taylor Scott
Jordan Wiley*

Juniors

*Blakely Holton
Ansley Hooks
Roo Howell
Liz Levins
Jordan Tolen*

Seniors

*Kadence Adams
Audri Bates
Katelyn Cochran
Annabel Hurst
Haidyn Hutto
Nevaeh Ross*

WHEREAS, the team was led by Head Coach Craig Gilstrap and Assistant Coaches Aaron Fittery, Kelsey Jones, Kyle Smith, Juan Wiley, and Tim Woodward; AND,

WHEREAS, these young women not only brought home the Class 4A State Softball Championship for their school for the first time in school history, but served as ambassadors for the City of North Augusta as they played throughout their season.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Briton S. Williams, Mayor of the City of North Augusta, do hereby respectfully request that the citizens of North Augusta join me in celebrating and honoring North Augusta High School Girls Softball Team as the 2022 South Carolina Class 4A State Champions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, to be affixed this twentieth day of June, 2022.

ITEM 6. PERSONNEL: Marc Vines, Retirement – Recognition of Service to the City of North Augusta

Marc Vines started his career with the City of North Augusta on February 20, 2008 within the Sanitation Department as Shop Supervisor. During Marc's 14-year tenure for the City of North Augusta, he had the ability to transition a majority of the City's large truck repairs from being outsourced; to constructing a comprehensive shop which gave the City the necessary tools and

skills to conduct major in-house repairs. This change enabled the City of North Augusta to conduct repairs more cost effectively and with quicker turnaround, so services to our citizens could continue with minimal impact. Marc, while an outstanding employee, was a great mentor for his peers and was exceptional in training new mechanics so we can maintain our level of service to the Citizens of North Augusta.

ITEM 7. ANNEXATION: Ordinance No. 2022-08 – To Change the Corporate Limits of the City of North Augusta by Accepting the Petition Requesting Annexation by the Landowners and Annexing ±43.9 Acres of Property Located on W. Martintown Road and Owned by Adams Brothers Properties, LLC; Ordinance – Second Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Presnell, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on second and final reading to change the corporate limits of the City by accepting the petition requesting annexation by the landowners and annexing ±43.9 acres of property located on W. Martintown Road and owned by Adams Brothers Properties, LLC. . There were from comments from Glenn Baronowski and Brantley Baronowski in opposition to the ordinance.

Council approved the second reading of the ordinance with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08
TO CHANGE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
BY ACCEPTING THE PETITION REQUESTING ANNEXATION BY THE LANDOWNERS AND ANNEXING
± 43.9 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON W. MARTINTOWN ROAD AND OWNED BY
ADAMS BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC

WHEREAS, Section 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina provides that: "Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this section, any area or property which is contiguous to a municipality may be annexed to the municipality by filing with the municipal governing body a petition signed by all persons owning real estate in the area requesting annexation. Upon the agreement of the governing body to accept the petition and annex the area, and the enactment of an ordinance declaring the area annexed to the municipality, the annexation is complete"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, have reviewed the petition of the landowners requesting that their property be annexed into the City and determined that such Petition should be accepted and the property annexed into the City; and

WHEREAS, the property is not situated within the area of the North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan for review for consistency with the Future Land Use Classification of the properties as specified in the Land Use Element.

WHEREAS, the annexation request and zoning classification has been reviewed by the Planning Commission which has recommended annexation of the properties with \pm 43.9 acres zoned R-7 Small Lot Single-Family Residential

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

- I. The Petition of the landowners is accepted and the following described property shall be annexed into the City of North Augusta:

A parcel of land, with all improvements thereon, being in the County of Edgefield containing \pm 43.9 acres and appearing on that plat prepared and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Edgefield County in Record Book 1866 at page 241, including all adjacent right-of-way.

Tax Map & Parcel No.: 106-00-00-041

The property to be annexed is also shown on a map identified as "Exhibit A" titled "Map of Property Sought to be Annexed to the City of North Augusta" prepared by the City of North Augusta.

- II. The zoning classification shall be R-7 Small Lot Single-Family.
- III. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
- IV. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second and final reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

ITEM 8. CITY CODE: Ordinance No. 2022-09 – Amending Article 13, Signs, of the North Augusta Development Code, Chapter 18 of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina Code of Ordinances; Ordinance – Second Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember Toole, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on second and final reading amending Article 13, Signs, of the North Augusta Development Code. There were no comments from citizens. Mayor Williams reminded Council and citizens this ordinance is a result of a citizens' suggestion at a recent Public Power Hour. Council approved the second reading of the ordinance with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09
AMENDING ARTICLE 13, SIGNS, OF THE NORTH AUGUSTA DEVELOPMENT CODE, CHAPTER 18
OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2007, by Ordinance 2007-22, the North Augusta City Council adopted the North Augusta Development Code which is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan and which incorporates all City zoning and land development regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5.3.3.2 Text Amendments in Article 5, Approval Procedures, of the North Augusta Development Code, any person, property owner, board, commission, department or the City Council may apply for a change in zoning ordinance text; and

WHEREAS, the North Augusta Planning Commission, following a May 18, 2022, public hearing, reviewed and considered a request by the City Council to amend Article 13, Section 13.8.3 entitled "Signage Allowed for Non-Residential Districts and Uses" of the North Augusta Development Code to allow public art and murals in the P, Public Use zoning district. The Planning Commission report has been provided to City Council for consideration.

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council have reviewed the request as well as the report from the Planning Commission and has determined that the change to the text of the Development Code is appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF, THAT:

- I. The North Augusta Development Code, Chapter 13 of The City of North Augusta, South Carolina Code of Ordinances, Providing for New Zoning and Land Development Regulations for the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, is hereby amended and shall read as described in the following section. The section of the Code affected by the proposed amendment is identified by the section number.
 - A. Article 13.8.3 Signage Allowed for Non-residential Districts and Uses be amended to add:

q. Public Art

i. Public Art may be installed in the P, Public Use District after review and approval by the North Augusta Mural Design Review board or other board that is authorized by City Council for such review. After approval, all art must be properly permitted through the Planning and Development and Building Standards Departments, as applicable.

ii. Public Art may encroach on the public right-of-way if an encroachment permit is issued by the City Engineer.

r. Murals

i. Murals may be painted on any wall in the P, Public Use District after review and approval by the North Augusta Mural Design Review board or other board that is authorized by City Council for such review. After approval by the board, all art must be properly permitted through the Planning and Development and Building Standard Departments, as applicable.

B. Appendix A of the North Augusta Development Code shall be amended to include the following definitions:

Mural: a large picture painted or affixed directly on a wall or ceiling

Public Art: art in public spaces and can be temporary or permanent

C. Any other needed formatting will be edited to reflect new page numbers, titles or item numbering associated with the text changes outlined herein.

II. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

III. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

ITEM 9. ANNEXATION: Ordinance No. 2022-10 – To Change the Corporate Limits of the City of North Augusta by Accepting the Petition Requesting Annexation by the Landowners and Annexing ±.25 Acres of Property at 205 Thaxton Court and Owned by Lucyjoy Investments, LLC; Ordinance – First Reading

On the motion of Councilmember Brooks, second of Councilmember Carpenter, Council agreed to consider an ordinance on first reading to change the corporate limits of the City of North Augusta by accepting the petition requesting annexation by the landowners and annexing ±.25 acres of property located at 205 Thaxton Court and Owned by Lucyjoy Investments, LLC. There were no comments from citizens. Council voted unanimously 6-0 to approve the first reading of the ordinance.

Please see a copy of the proposed ordinance below.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-10
TO CHANGE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
BY ACCEPTING THE PETITION REQUESTING ANNEXATION BY THE LANDOWNERS AND ANNEXING
± 0.25 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED
AT 205 THAXTON CT AND OWNED BY LUCYJOY INVESTMENTS, LLC

WHEREAS, Section 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina provides that: "Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this section, any area or property which is contiguous to a municipality may be annexed to the municipality by filing with the municipal governing body a petition signed by all persons owning real estate in the area requesting annexation. Upon the agreement of the governing body to accept the petition and annex the area, and the enactment of an ordinance declaring the area annexed to the municipality, the annexation is complete"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, have reviewed the petition of the landowners requesting that their property be annexed into the City and determined that such Petition should be accepted and the property annexed into the City; and

WHEREAS, the zoning classification recommended for the properties proposed for annexation has been reviewed for consistency with the Future Land Use Classification of the properties as specified in the Land Use Element of the North Augusta 2017 Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

- V. The City Council hereby accepts the Petition for Annexation as submitted by the Property owner.
- VI. The following described property shall be annexed into the City of North Augusta:

All those certain pieces, parcels or tracts of land with any improvements thereon, situate, lying and being partially in the City of North Augusta, in the County of Aiken, State of South Carolina and being shown and designated as Lot 11, Block C of Bradley Terrace Subdivision all as shown upon a plat of said Subdivision

recorded in the Office of the RMC for Aiken County, South Carolina in Plat Book 4 at Page 138. Reference is hereby made to said plats for a more complete and accurate description as to the metes, bounds and exact location of the within conveyed property.

Derivation: Being the same property conveyed to Key & Basket Investments, LLC by Deed from Bradleyville, LLC dated 03/15/2007, recorded on 03/26/2007 in Book 4126, Page 676, in the Office of the Register of Deed for Aiken County, South Carolina.

Parcel No: 012-14-06-072

The property to be annexed is also shown on a map identified as "Exhibit A" titled "Map of Property Sought to be Annexed to the City of North Augusta" prepared by the City of North Augusta.

- VII. The zoning classification shall be R-7, Small Lot Single-Family, as shown on a map identified as "Exhibit B" titled "R-7 Zoning of Property Sought to be Annexed to the City of North Augusta" dated May 25, 2022, and prepared by the City of North Augusta.
- VIII. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.
- IX. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption on second and final reading.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

ITEM 10. PARKS, RECREATION AND TOURISM: Resolution No. 2022-24 – Authorizing Proceeds from the 2022 North Augusta vs. Midland Valley Baseball Game to SRP Park to Be Used to Purchase new Batting Cage Nets at Riverview Park

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember Carpenter, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing proceeds from the 2022 North Augusta vs. Midland Valley Baseball game at SRP Park to be used to purchase new batting cage nets at Riverview Park. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the resolution with a unanimous vote of 6-0.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-24

AUTHORIZING PROCEEDS FROM THE 2022 NORTH AUGUSTA VS. MIDLAND VALLEY BASEBALL GAME AT SRP PARK TO BE USED TO PURCHASE NEW BATTING CAGE NETS AT RIVERVIEW PARK

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2022, the City of North Augusta used one of its five dates at SRP Park to host the North Augusta High School vs. Midland Valley High School baseball game; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta designated the game to honor the 25th anniversary of the 1997 North Augusta High School baseball team that won the South Carolina AAAA State Championship at SRP Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta received a check from GreenJackets Baseball for net proceeds from the game totaling \$5,656.98 with funds deposited to the Capital Projects Fund; and

WHEREAS, the batting cages at Riverview Park that are utilized by North Augusta High School for baseball and softball as well as the City's recreational programs are in need of new nets to continue appropriate safety measures at the park; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta and North Augusta High School are in agreement to use the net proceeds of \$5,656.98 for the purchase of new batting cage nets at Riverview Park and these funds will come from the Capital Projects Account.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council for the City of North Augusta in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that the City of North Augusta will purchase new batting cage nets at a price not to exceed \$5,656.98 for batting cages at Riverview Park.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

ITEM 11. PARKS, RECREATION, AND TOURISM: Resolution No. 2022-25 – A Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Low Bid of Beam's Contracting, Inc. for the Riverview Park Walking Trail Resurfacing Project

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Brooks, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the low bid of Beam's Contracting, Inc. for the Riverview Park Walking Trail Resurfacing Project. Councilmember McGhee recused himself

from any discussion or action on this resolution. There were no comments from citizens. Council voted to approve the resolution with five Councilmembers voting to approve and Councilmember McGhee recusing.

See ATTACHMENT #11 for a copy of Councilmember McGhee's Recusal Statement.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-25

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE LOW BID OF BEAM'S CONTRACTING INC. FOR THE RIVERVIEW PARK WALKIING TRAIL RESURFACING PROJECT

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2022, an Advertisement for Bids for the Riverview Park Walking Trail Resurfacing Project was published on the City's website and in South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO); and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2022, one (1) sealed bid was received, publicly opened and read aloud; and

WHEREAS, the low bid by Beam's Contracting Inc. Is in the amount of \$138,705.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta find that the awarding of such bid is in the best interest of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that Beam's Contracting Inc. shall be awarded the contract for the Riverview Park Walking Trail Resurfacing Project at a bid amount of \$138,705.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding source for this contract shall be as follows:

City of North Augusta Riverfront Redevelopment Fund	\$ 138,705.00
Park Improvements: 19-4325-387	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administrator is authorized to execute any documents required for the entering into of this contract.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF JUNE 20, 2022.

ITEM 12. FINANCE: Resolution No. 2022-26 – A Resolution Authorizing a Reallocation of a Portion of the Funding Allocation Recommendations of the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee for the Disbursement of Revenues from the Accommodation Tax Years 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing a reallocation of a portion of the funding recommendations of the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee for the disbursement of revenues from the Accommodation Tax Years 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020. There were no comments from citizens. Council voted unanimously 6-0 to approve this resolution.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-26
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REALLOCATION OF A PORTION OF THE FUNDING
ALLOCATION RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY
COMMITTEE FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF REVENUES FROM THE ACCOMMODATIONS
TAX YEARS 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020

WHEREAS, the City adopted Resolution 2021-16, Resolution 2020-10 and Resolution 2021-11 with funding allocations for the disbursement of revenues from the accommodations tax years 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020; and

WHEREAS, there remain unspent funds from these accommodations tax years from uncompleted projects and events not held or revenue distributions less than originally anticipated; and

WHEREAS, the timeline to disburse these funds has expired and the Mayor has requested an extension to expend these funds from the Tourism Expenditure Review Committee (TERC) due to delayed projects and events not held as a result of continued impacts of COVID-19 to include reduced attendees, lack of additional funding opportunities and other related matters; and

WHEREAS, the City's Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department (PRT) has previously been allocated \$59,233.12 from these tax years to purchase a mobile stage and related accessories to be used at the Sharon Jones Amphitheater, Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee, and other events in the City; and

WHEREAS, PRT has received pricing for a stage to meet the City's needs totaling approximately \$120,000; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is needed to secure the mobile stage for use at City events and other entertainment events

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council for the City of Santa Augusta, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

1. All remaining funding for accommodations tax years 2017-2018 (\$15,012.95), 2018-2019 (\$56,057.18), and 2019-2020 (\$25,852.65) be reallocated to PRT to purchase a mobile stage for the City.
2. Purchase of the stage to proceed upon approval of the extension request by TERC and resolution by Council outlining total funding sources and stage requirements.

ITEM 13. PUBLIC SERVICES: Resolution No. 2022-27 – A Resolution Accepting a Grant Award from the Rural Infrastructure Authority

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Brooks, Council agreed to consider a resolution accepting a grant award from the Rural Infrastructure Authority. Assistant City Administrator, Rachelle Moody, added the state grant totaled \$500,000 and this resolution directly relates to the resolution in Item 14. There were no

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-27
A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA RURAL
INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY AND PROVIDE
MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE CLAY STREET BOOSTER PUMP
STATION UPGRADE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA), offers grant assistance to local governments for infrastructure projects including water, sewer and storm water drainage improvements; and

WHEREAS, highly competitive grant funding rounds are held two times per year; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta Public Services Department applied for a grant in March 2022 and on May 16, 2022 received a \$500,000 RIA grant for the Clay Street Booster Pump Station (BPS) Upgrade Project; and

WHEREAS, the project consists of consolidating the two existing Clay Street pump stations (installed in 1974 & 1988) into one pump station controlled by one tank and update the old equipment which will improve reliability and resilience, reduce maintenance and repair costs, and will be integrated in SCADA system for remote operation; and

WHEREAS, the existing Clay Street BPS ranked in the top 10 high ranking critical assets for risk in the North Augusta water utility system; it serves the largest number of customers in the drinking water system and is crucial for maintaining reliable, resilient service in the event of a hazard; and

WHEREAS, the total project budget is \$3,460,140; the City must provide a \$3,123,632 cash match to the \$500,000 grant in order to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, completion of the Clay Street BPS Upgrade Project will directly benefit the City's water customers in the medium pressure zone and indirectly benefit all customers and visitors who utilize the system in general.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

1. The City shall accept grant funding of \$500,000 from the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority.
2. The grant match of \$3,123,632 shall be made utilizing a portion of the City's Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) allocation.
3. Grant award and committed matching funds shall be used solely for the completion of the Clay Street BPS Upgrade Project.
4. The City Administrator is authorized to sign the grant agreement and all related agreements necessary for the implementation of the Clay Street BPS Upgrade Project.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

ITEM 14. FINANCE: Resolution No. 2022-28 – A Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds – Expenditure Request 2

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember Toole, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing expenditure of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds – Expenditure Request 2. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the resolution with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-28
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS – EXPENDITURE REQUEST 2

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2021, City Council adopted Resolution 2021-30 authorizing receipt of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) allocation totaling \$11,871,089.22 from the State of South Carolina as appropriated by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted Resolution 2022-12, which obligated SLFRF funds for use between revenue loss replacement and investment in water and sewer infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted Resolution 2022-13, which authorized Expenditure Request 1 totaling \$3,965,004 for two projects; and

WHEREAS, expenditure of SLFRF funds are required to be approved by City Council via resolution; and

WHEREAS, a new project has been identified and recommended for expenditure totaling \$3,123,632 as outlined in Appendix A; and

WHEREAS, with this expenditure, \$4,782,453 remains of available SLFRF funds for future expenditures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in a meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

1. Expenditures of \$3,123,632 of SLFRF funds is approved for the project listed in Appendix A.
2. The City will follow its adopted procurement ordinance as it relates to expenditure of SLFRF funds.
3. The City Administrator is authorized to execute such documents as necessary to enter into agreements and implement the projects as outlined in Appendix A.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

Expenditure Request #2						
Project	Amount	Fund	Expenditure Category	Description	Department	Beneficiary(ies)
Clay Street Booster Pump Station Upgrade	\$3,123,632	Capital Projects Fund	Revenue Replacement Provision of Government Services	Consolidate the two existing pump stations (circa 1974 & 1988) into one pump station controlled by one tank and update the old equipment to provide a more reliable facility that can be integrated in SCADA system for remote operation	Public Services	Water utility customers
Total	\$3,123,632					

ITEM 15. ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS: Resolution No. 2022-29 – A Resolution Authorizing a Construction Contract with Prather Construction Co., Inc. to Install a Sanitary Sewer Extension to Serve Future Development Upstream of Gregory Landing Subdivision

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed to consider a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Prather Construction Co., Inc. to install a sanitary sewer extension to serve future development upstream of Gregory Landing Subdivision. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the resolution with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed resolution below.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-29
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH PRATHER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. TO INSTALL A SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION TO SERVE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT UPSTREAM OF GREGORY LANDING SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, Metro Homesites, LLC has been developing Gregory Landing Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the third and final phase is currently under construction; and

WHEREAS, City officials have been engaged in discussions with owners and potential developers of parcel 105-00-00-009 (AKA "Baggott Property"), consisting of 262+/- acres, which is adjacent to and upstream of Gregory Landing; and

WHEREAS, the City has made commitment to the current owners of parcel 105-00-00-009 that sanitary sewer service will be provided to its downstream property line prior to, or in conjunction with development; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the best opportunity to construct this sewer extension is during construction of Gregory Landing, Phase 3; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received from the on-site contractor, Prather Construction Co., Inc. to construct the sanitary sewer extension on the City's behalf, for the amount of \$47,140.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has reviewed the proposal and has determined that it is reasonable and in-line with the overall sewer construction cost for Gregory Landing, Phase 3; and

WHEREAS, Metro Homesites has agreed to allow Prather Construction Co., Inc. to construct the sewer extension in conjunction with Gregory Landing, Phase 3, and will dedicate a permanent easement over this extension upon Final Plat.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that Prather Construction Co., Inc. shall be awarded the contract for this sewer extension for the amount of \$47,140.00, with a total project budget of \$57,140 that includes a contingency of \$10,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding sources for this contract shall be from the Contingent Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a pay-back mechanism shall be developed in accordance with Sec. 2-16 (Water and Sewer Extension Policy) of the City's Code of Ordinances to reimburse the Contingent Fund in conjunction with development of parcel 105-00-00-009, or any subdivision thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administrator and/or the Director of Engineering and Public Works is authorized to execute any documents required for the entering into of this contract and administration of the project.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS _____ DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

ITEM 16. FINANCE: Resolution No. 2022-30 – A Resolution Approving the Updated Annual Assessment Report and Amendment of the Assessment Roll for the Ballpark Village Municipal Improvement District and Confirming the Collection of Annual Assessment Therein for the 2021-2022 Assessment Year

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Brooks, Council agreed to consider a resolution approving the updated annual assessment report and amendment of the assessment roll for the Ballpark Village Municipal Improvement District and confirming the collection of annual assessment therein for the 2021-2022 assessment year.

On the motion of Councilmember Carpenter, second of Councilmember Toole, Council agreed to consider an amendment to correct a scrivener's error. Councilmember Carpenter recommended on page two item III the word "ordinance" be changed to "resolution" to be consistent with the rest of the resolution. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the amendment with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

On the motion of Councilmember Presnell, second of Councilmember McGhee, Council agreed to consider the resolution as amended. There were no comments from citizens. Council approved the amended resolution with a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Please see a copy of the proposed, amended resolution below.

RESOLUTION 2022-30

**APPROVING THE UPDATED ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REPORT AND AMENDMENT OF
THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE BALLPARK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND CONFIRMING THE COLLECTION OF ANNUAL
ASSESSMENTS THEREIN
FOR THE 2021-2022 ASSESSMENT YEAR**

The City Council (the "*City Council*") of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina (the "*City*"), hereby finds and determines:

WHEREAS, The Ballpark Village Municipal Improvement District (the "*Improvement District*"), located in the City of North Augusta was created by the City Council pursuant to the Municipal Improvement Act, Title 5, Chapter 37, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "*Act*"), through an ordinance enacted on February 6, 2017, wherein the Improvement District was created and special assessments (the "*Assessment*" or "*Assessments*") were authorized to be imposed and collected (the "*Assessment Ordinance*"); and

WHEREAS, certain capitalized terms undefined herein have such meanings as set forth in the Rate and Method of Apportionment of Assessment, Appendix A of the Assessment Roll (the "*Rate and Method*"), which was approved by the Assessment Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Assessments have been imposed on the Assessed Property within the Improvement District pursuant to the Act and the Assessment Ordinance. The Assessment, including the Annual Parcel Assessment, the Annual Parcel Credit and the Annual Payment for each Parcel, is recorded on the Assessment Roll, attached hereto as Appendix B-1 and Appendix B-2 of the Annual Assessment Report and Amendment of the Assessment Roll for 2021-2022 Assessment Year (the "*Annual Assessment Report*") attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, which is being updated in accordance with the Rate and Method, as detailed below, through City Council's approval of the Annual Assessment Report; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Directors (the "*Board*") of the North Augusta Public Facilities Corporation (the "*Corporation*") adopted by the Board on February 20, 2017, the Corporation issued its \$69,450,000 Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2017B, dated May 16, 2017 (the "*Series 2017B Bonds*"), in order to obtain a portion of the funds necessary to defray the cost of the Public Improvements. Simultaneously with the issuance of the Series 2017B Bonds, the City issued its \$43,412,000 Tax Increment Revenue Obligation, Series 2017A to the Corporation (the "*2017 TIF Obligation*"). By Ordinance enacted on February 6, 2017, the City Council approved the issuance of the Series 2017B Bonds and the 2017 TIF Obligation. Debt service requirements of the Series 2017B Bond will be paid from Available Sources (as that term is defined in the Official Statement dated May 2, 2017 (the "*Official Statement*") relating to the Series 2017 Bonds), which include TIF Revenues (as defined in the Official Statement) and Assessments. Payments to the Corporation by the City pursuant to the 2017 TIF Obligation shall constitute a dollar for dollar credit against the City's obligation to make Base Payments (as defined in the Official Statement); and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the collection of the Assessments, the City shall update Appendix B-1 and B-2 of the Assessment Roll each Assessment Year to reflect (i) the current Parcels in the Improvement District, (ii) the Assessment for each Parcel, including any adjustments to the Assessment as provided for in Section C of the Rate and Method; (iii) the Annual Assessment; (iv) the Annual Parcel Assessment for each Parcel; (v) the Annual Payment to be collected from each

Parcel for the current Assessment Year, (vi) prepayments of the Assessment as provided for in the Annual Assessment Report, and (vii) termination of the Assessment as provided for in the Annual Assessment Report; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received the updated Annual Assessment Report, prepared by MuniCap, Inc., the Administrator of the Improvement District, in accordance with the Rate and Method

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council for the City of North Augusta, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof that:

- I. The updated Annual Assessment Report is hereby approved.
- II. The Rate and Method provides for the annual collection of the Annual Payment. As shown by the Annual Assessment Report, the sum of the Annual Payment for all Parcels in the Improvement District for the 2021-2022 Assessment Year is \$771,538.38. The billing of the Assessments to be collected from each Parcel as indicated in the Annual Assessment Report for the 2021-2022 Assessment Year is hereby confirmed.
- III. This ~~ordinance~~ ^{resolution #} shall become effective as of the date hereof. ₂₀₂

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2022.

ITEM 17. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Assistant City Administrator, Rachelle Moody, reminded Council due to the Independence Day holiday on Monday, July 4th, the next Study Session will be July 11th and the next City Council Meeting will be July 18th.

ITEM 18. PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

A. Citizen Comments:

None

B. Council Comments:

Mayor Williams announced -

- The Living History Park will celebrate July 4th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm with free hotdogs, watermelon, icy pops, and a dog parade.

- The Hamburg Carrsville African American Hamburg Massacre Commemorative Celebration will be held at First Providence Baptist Church on Friday, July 8th at 6:00 pm.

Councilmember Carpenter asked if the Jack O'Lantern Jubilee would be 1 or 2 days. R. Moody responded the committee has not made this year's announcement yet. Carpenter also asked staff to check into providing a bus stop for Best Friends Express near Diablos. She also inquired about the streetlights that are out near Lowe's.

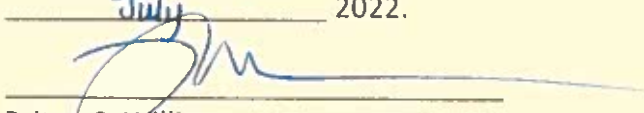
Councilmember Presnell wished everyone a happy and safe July 4th.

Councilmember Brooks asked Scott Neely, the Dominion Energy representative attending the meeting, about the streetlight LED conversion schedule. Mr. Neely responded he thought it would begin in 2-3 weeks.

ITEM 19. ADJOURNMENT


The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF
July 2022.



Briton S. Williams
Mayor

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Lamar
City Clerk

RECUSAL STATEMENT

Member Name: David McGhee

Meeting Date: June 20, 2022

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Approved by Parliamentarian: 

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