

CITY COUNCIL

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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

are held every first & third Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on the second floor of the Municipal Building, 400 East Buena Vista Avenue. Citizens are encouraged to attend these meetings.



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South Carolina's Riverfront

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North Augusta

FORWARD

A Publication for the Citizens of North Augusta, South Carolina

NOTICE of Public Hearings

The Planning Commission will hold Public Hearings beginning at 7:00 PM on the following listed dates in the Council Chambers, North Augusta Municipal Building, 400 East Buena Vista Avenue, North Augusta, South Carolina to consider an application by the City of North Augusta, Department of Economic and Community Development, for a comprehensive revision of the North Augusta Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance in the form of the Preliminary Draft of the North Augusta Development Code.

The Planning Commission public hearings to discuss the draft North Augusta Development Code will be held on:

September 26, 2002 October 24, 2002 November 21, 2002 December 19, 2002

Draft copies of the North Augusta Development Code are available for public inspection online at www.northaugusta.net and in the offices of the Department of Economic and Community Development and City Clerk in the Municipal Building, 400 East Buena Vista Avenue, North Augusta, South Carolina. A copy of the draft document is also available in the Building Standards Department office at 403 East Buena Vista Avenue. All citizens and property owners interested in expressing a view on any matter that is the subject of the public hearings are encouraged to attend.

Individuals needing special assistance or a sign interpreter to participate in the meeting should notify the Department of Economic and Community Development at 441-4221 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.


NORTH AUGUSTA *Development Code*

The North Augusta Planning Commission has scheduled a series of public hearings over the next four months to receive input and make any necessary or recommended modifications to the preliminary draft of the proposed North Augusta Development Code. Last year the City Council initiated a comprehensive update of the City's 1996 Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance to address several specific areas of concern and to clarify a number of provisions. Some of the objectives of the new ordinance are to incorporate "Smart Growth" policies, prevent or reduce the traffic impacts of large developments, protect traditional neighborhoods, and preserve established residential corridors on Georgia Avenue, Martintown Road and West Avenue.

The Council retained the land use law firm of Freilich, Leitner and Carlisle to research and draft the revised ordinance. Last fall Mark White, a partner in the firm and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, conducted a lengthy series of interviews with City Council members, Planning Commissioners, citizens and stakeholders to receive advice and suggestions on desirable changes to the regulations. Mark has been working since early spring on the first draft of the revised ordinance. The Preliminary Draft of the North Augusta Development Code was officially received by the Planning Commission at a special meeting on September 12. The proposed Development Code is a lengthy and complicated document that will require several months and a number of meetings to fully discuss, understand, and finalize so that a recommendation can be forwarded to the City Council. When adopted by the Council, the Development Code will replace the Zoning and Development Standards Ordinance.

See **Development Code** continued on page 2

NORTH AUGUSTA *Riverfront Information*

The developers of the North Augusta Riverfront are compiling a mailing list of interested individuals. To receive information on the project and the availability of lots or commercial sites, please email your contact information to info@northaugustariverfront.com or write to North Augusta Riverfront, P.O. Box 6640, North Augusta, South Carolina 29861-6640. You will receive a confirmation note and new information will be sent as soon as it becomes available. 



ARTS REGIONAL *Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan*



The Augusta Regional Transportation Study (ARTS) is the regional transportation planning organization for Aiken, Augusta-Richmond and Columbia Counties. This year ARTS is updating the three-county regional bicycle and pedestrian plan, the guide for bicycle and pedestrian investments in the

region. The plan will identify routes to create a connected network of bicycle and pedestrian facilities linking major activity centers and destinations. The plan will also prioritize projects, estimate project costs and identify funding opportunities.

Public meetings have been scheduled to review and comment on the proposed plan.

November 6, 2002 - 6:30 to 8:00 pm
North Augusta Community Center
102 Brookside Avenue, North Augusta

November 7, 2002 - 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Savannah Rapids Pavilion
3300 Evans To Lock Road, Martinez

November 7, 2002 - 11:30 to 1:30 pm
Julian Smith Barbeque Pit
87 Milledge Road, Augusta

For more information please contact one of the ARTS county staff representatives.

Aiken County • Stephen Strohminger • 803-642-1520
Richmond County • Paul Decamp • 706-821-1796
Columbia County • Tim Young • 706-312-7178


DEVELOPMENT CODE

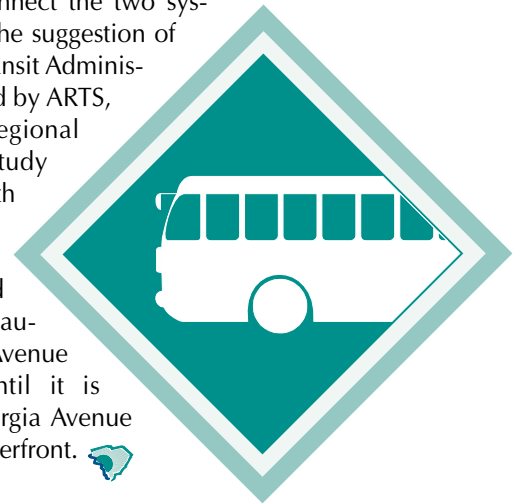
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The process for reviewing and discussing the document will take several months and will include a number of public hearings and special meetings. The public hearings will be scheduled to coincide with regular monthly Planning Commission meetings. The schedule of those meetings has been published in *The Star* and is listed in the Public Notice contained in this issue of *North Augusta Forward*. In addition to the scheduled public hearings, special meetings to discuss specific sections or articles of the proposed


BUSES BRIDGE *Service Gap*

Beginning in early October public transportation will connect Aiken and Richmond Counties. Buses will no longer stop at the Savannah River. Three times a day, Augusta's buses will travel over the James U. Jackson (13th Street) Bridge to an Aiken County transfer facility on Bluff Avenue in downtown North Augusta. Riders can change there to Aiken County's Best Friend Express. At other times the Best Friend Express will cross the bridge to the Augusta Transit Transfer Facility at Broad and 15th Streets. Fees for both services will remain the same.

The decision to connect the two systems was made at the suggestion of the Federal Mass Transit Administration and endorsed by ARTS, the Augusta Regional Transportation Study Policy Group. North Augusta 2000 is donating the land (formerly the Good Day Chinese Restaurant) for the Bluff Avenue transfer facility until it is needed for the Georgia Avenue Extension to the Riverfront. 



Code will be scheduled between Planning Commission meetings as needed. The special meetings will be open to the public but will not be formal Planning Commission meetings. The dates and times of special meetings will be announced at the preceding Planning Commission meeting.

Copies of the draft Development Code are available for review by the public on the City's website and in the offices of the Department of Economic and Community Development, City Clerk and Building Standards Department. A *Comments and Suggestions* form is available for members of the public to submit questions and recommendations. 

RESIDENTIAL Sanitation Procedures

The Sanitation Services Department collects several types of residential waste. Household waste, yard waste and recyclables are each processed differently and are transferred to different processing facilities or landfills with different charges. To keep operating costs low, Sanitation Services has established recommended practices and procedures for residential waste. Sanitation customers are encouraged to cooperate by following the recommended procedures.

Roll Carts

Roll carts are provided for the disposal of household and recyclable waste. Roll carts should be placed at the curb prior to 7:00 a.m. on collection day and should be removed from the street by 7:00 p.m. the same day.

Blue Bags and Recycling

The City of North Augusta is required by law to provide a household waste reduction program. Recycling reduces waste and helps the environment by preserving our natural resources and reducing land needed for landfills.

One roll of blue recycling bags is delivered to each residential sanitation customer four times per year. Blue bags are to be used for recyclables only. Full blue bags should be tied shut and placed **into** the roll cart for collection along with other household waste. The bags are not to be used for yard waste or other household garbage.

Blue bags containing recyclables are removed from the waste stream at the City's Material Recovery Facility (MRF). Recyclables are sorted and sold for remanufacturing into new products. Revenue from the sale of recyclables is used to offset the cost of sanitation service.

What is recyclable?

- ✓ Clear, brown and green glass bottles
- ✓ Aluminum cans
- ✓ Steel cans
- ✓ Newspaper, magazines and white office paper
- ✓ Plastic drink bottles (any plastic with #1 on bottom)
- ✓ Plastic milk jugs and detergent bottles (any plastic with #2 on bottom)
- ✓ Pasteboard (Cereal boxes, 12 pack drink boxes, etc.)

Cardboard Boxes

Cardboard boxes should be placed loose in your rollcart if they will fit. Large boxes should be flattened as much as possible and placed at the curb for pick-up on the normal collection day. Styrofoam or other plastic packaging should be removed from cardboard boxes and put into the rollcart.

Yard Waste



Sanitation Services also collects yard waste and bulky items on regular collection days. Yard waste including tree, grass and hedge clippings and leaves are collected at the same location as garbage collection. Yard waste should be placed in plastic bags at the curb and never in a roll cart.


Large bulky items including limbs, logs and boards should be stacked neatly **behind** the curb line. Individual trash items shall not exceed 4 feet in diameter, 10 feet in length, or 200 pounds in weight. Appliances and furniture will be picked up in the same manner as other bulky items. The quantity of bulky item pickup may be limited by the city.

Because yard waste is collected by special equipment it should never be placed under low wires or tree limbs. It should also never be placed close to potential obstructions like utility poles, mailboxes, parked cars or roll carts. **Yard waste should never be placed in the gutter, street, or storm drainage system.**

Refuse generated by contractors for construction or remodeling, landscaping and tree trimming/removal shall be removed by the contractor or property owner. It will not be collected by the City.

Trash Trailers Available

Upon request, Sanitation Services will assist residential customers with large volume waste removal. Any residential customer that needs to discard a large volume of yard waste or home improvement construction debris may reserve a trash trailer for a weekend. There is no charge for the trash trailer provided the resident is doing the work. Contractors must make other arrangements. A \$35 refundable security deposit is required.

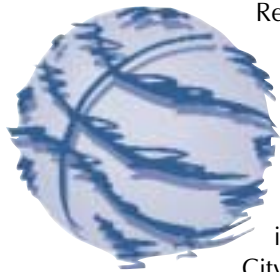
Trailers are delivered on Friday afternoon and picked up on Monday morning and may be reserved for more than one weekend. There are a limited number of trailers available so reservations should be made as far in advance as possible. Reservation requests may be made by calling 441-4223. 




NORTH AUGUSTA
Recycles

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Registration Begins



Registration for Youth Basketball is October 21 through November 11 with games from December 7 through February 8. Participants must be between 6 – 18 years old as of March 1, 2003. First time participants must present a birth certificate at registration. The registration fee is \$35 for City residents and members of the Activities Center; \$40 for City residents who are not members of the Activities Center; \$55 for Activities Center members who are not City residents; and \$60 for those who are not City residents or members of the Activities Center. The registration fee includes a team jersey and supplemental insurance. Team pictures are provided free of charge compliments of Digital Magic for all participants present on picture day. Registration forms are available at www.northaugusta.net or at Riverview Park Activities Center during normal business hours. For more information, call 441-4300. 

JACK O' LANTERN JUBILEE

This year the Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee takes place Saturday, October 26, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in downtown North Augusta. The event will feature children's rides and activities, a children's costume contest, arts and crafts, live music and entertainment, a haunted house and, of course, plenty of great food! Don't miss the fun!



Jack-O-Lantern Jubilee is sponsored by Kicks 99, Augusta Coca Cola Bottling Company, Papa John's Pizza, Regions Bank, Club Car, Augusta Concrete Block and Maintenance Supply Company. 

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS

Christmas Tree Lighting

Monday, December 2, 6:00 p.m.

John C. Calhoun Park.

Call 441-4300 for more information.

Lions Club Christmas Parade

Sunday, December 8, 3:00 p.m.

Downtown North Augusta

Call 279-6049 for more information.

Carols in the Park

Thursday, December 5, 6:00 p.m.

Creighton Living History Park

For more information, call 441-4300.

WWW.NORTHAUGUSTA.NET

More information about the community is available on the City of North Augusta website,

www.northaugusta.net

We would like to know what you think of the City's publications. E-mail your comments, questions or suggestions by clicking on *Contact Information* on the northaugusta.net home page.

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY

911

PUBLIC SAFETY

Non Emergency	279-2121
Administration	441-4251
Records/Court Services	441-4271
Investigations	441-4274
Codes Enforcement	441-4258

PARKS, RECREATION & LEISURE SERVICES

Riverview Park Activities Center	441-4300
Activities Coordinator	441-4311
Community Center	441-4290

GENERAL SERVICES & FINANCE

Taxes	441-4215
Utility - New Service/Disconnects	441-4219
Utility Billing Services	441-4212
Business Licenses (Non-Contractor)	441-4214
Human Resources	441-4205

ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS

After-Hours Emergencies	279-2121
Engineering	441-4223
Building Standards	441-4227
Permits	441-4227
Business Licenses (Contractors)	441-4227
Animal Control	441-4227
Sanitation Services	441-4223
Sanitation - New Service	441-4219
Streets & Drains Repairs	441-4223

PUBLIC UTILITIES

After-Hours Emergencies	279-2121
Utility - New Service/Disconnects	441-4219
Utility Billing	441-4212
Water and Sewer Repairs	441-4240

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development	441-4221
Planning	441-4221
Zoning	441-4221

ADMINISTRATION

Mayor	441-4202
City Administrator	441-4202

OTHER FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

North Augusta Chamber of Commerce	279-2323
Nancy Carson Library	279-5767
North Augusta Health Center	278-0880
ComCast (cable)	706-733-7712
S. C. Electric & Gas	442-2000
BellSouth	780-2355
S. C. Department of Transportation	1-800-442-1368
Magistrate	202-3580

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CITY of NORTH AUGUSTA

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North Augusta Forward,

P. O. Box 6400, North Augusta, SC 29861-6400

or call 803-441-4221.