

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA - 2016 BUDGET HEARING

Pursuant to Section 6-1-80 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, public notice is hereby given that the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta will hold a public hearing on the Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2016. The public hearing will be held in the Council Chambers in the North Augusta Municipal Center, 100 Georgia Avenue, on Monday, October 19, 2015, beginning at 7:00 P. M. All citizens will have an opportunity during the hearing to ask questions concerning the 2016 Municipal Budget as well as to express their views either verbally or in writing.

A copy of the proposed 2016 Municipal Budget is presently available for inspection at the North Augusta Municipal Center, 100 Georgia Avenue, from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. A summary of the proposed 2016 Municipal Budget as compared to the adopted 2015 Municipal Budget follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Adopted 2015 <u>Revenue</u>	Proposed 2016 <u>Revenue</u>	%	<u>Change</u>	Adopted 2015 <u>Expenditures</u>	Proposed 2016 <u>Expenditures</u>	%	<u>Change</u>
General	\$15,774,538	\$16,387,916	3.89%		\$15,774,538	\$16,387,916	3.89%	
Sales Tax 2	321,408	321,408	0.00%		552,600	527,726	(4.50)%	
Sales Tax 3	2,635,000	2,900,000	10.06%		1,003,809	400,000	(60.15)%	
Recreation	7,000	7,000	0.00%		7,000	7,000	0.00%	
Firemen's	55,000	60,000	9.09%		55,000	60,000	9.09%	
Street Improvements	0	200,000	NA		0	200,000	NA	
Riverfront/CC	645,000	705,000	9.30%		507,493	507,493	0.00%	
Tax Increment	423,662	470,192	10.98%		0	0	NA	
Transportation Fund	0	0	NA		158,000	60,000	(62.03)%	
Sanitation	4,174,394	4,111,732	(1.50)%		4,026,206	3,954,739	(1.78)%	
Stormwater Utility	752,913	713,935	(5.18)%		752,913	713,935	(5.18)%	
Public Utilities	9,025,843	9,128,322	1.14%		8,973,985	9,017,522	0.49%	
Savannah Bluff Lock/Dam	0	0	NA		24,000	24,000	0.00%	
TOTAL	\$33,814,758	\$35,005,505	3.52%		\$31,835,544	\$31,860,331	0.08%	

The proposed 2016 Municipal Budget does not include any tax or utility rate increases, however, the proposed 2016 Municipal Budget does include fee increases for custom street lights and utility late, restore, and after-hours fees. As with any budget year, there is potential for adopting millage and additional fee increases during the public budget hearing scheduled for October 19, 2015.