MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2015
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 p.m.

All members of Council were present; Mayor Rollins presided.

Proclamation- Tom L’Italien Day

Presentation- Mayor’s Recognition of Excellence (REX) Award to Cynthia Taylor, President of Housing Initiatives of New England, in recognition of the restoration of the Inn at City Hall and the Cony Flatiron Building.

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ, FIRST READING

15-132
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending the Land Use Ordinance map entitled City of Augusta Base Zones and creating a contract Planned Development (PD) zone will meet the mixed use goals of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board held a public hearing and unanimously recommended the following amendment to the Land Use Ordinance;

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, that Augusta Land Use Ordinance be amended as follows:

Create a Contract Planned Development (PD) zone that has a single use allowed, Parking Services, which is a subset Services, as defined in the Land Use Ordinance. This new Contract PD Zone will encompass the following parcels in the City of Augusta: Tax Map 54, Lots 3, 34, 35, 36, and 37.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

15-133
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending the Land Use Ordinance Planned Development2 (PD2) zone will meet the mixed use goals of the 2007 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board held a public hearing and unanimously recommended the following amendment to the Land Use Ordinance;

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, that Augusta Land Use Ordinance be amended as follows:
Make “Social Services (excluding offender rehabilitation and offender self-help and parole and probation offices)” a conditional use in the PD2 zoning district; and

Add the following performance criteria to the PD2 zoning district:

3.6.1.9.4.5 Social Services uses in the PD2 district shall be built on a scale appropriate to and sensitive to their immediate neighbors.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

NEW BUSINESS (Con’t)

READ AND PASSED

15-127
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held July 16, 2015 and July 23, 2015; submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Emery
Yeas:  8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett,
Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays:  0

15-128
ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of July, 2015 in the amount of $5,207,092.80 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Emery
Yeas:  8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett,
Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays:  0

15-129
ORDERED, That William Leet be reappointed to the Assessment Review Board; said term to expire August 6, 2018.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Emery
Yeas:  8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett,
Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays:  0

15-130
ORDERED, That City Council make a donation in the amount of $250 to Maine State Champions, the Augusta 15 Year Old Babe Ruth All-Stars, to support their participation at the New England Babe Ruth World Series.
Motion for passage by: Paradis Second by: Grant
Yeas: 8; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays: 0

15-131
ORDERED, That the City Manager’s appointment of Earl Kingsbury to be Augusta Civic Center Director hereby be confirmed.

Motion for passage by: Bilodeau Second by: McCormick
Yeas: 8; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays: 0

Motion for to suspend the rules to add an item to the agenda by: Bilodeau
Second by: McCormick

Yeas: 8; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays: 0

15-134
ORDERED, That the City Council accept Theresa M. Smith’s $5000 bid for 97 Bog Road, map 81, lot 4.

Motion for passage by: Bilodeau Second by: McCormick
Yeas: 8; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays: 0

15-135
ORDERED, That the City Council enter into executive session to discuss pending litigations; 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E).

Motion for passage by: Conti Second by: Grant
Yeas: 8; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Emery
Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
August 10, 2015