AGENDA FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
6:30 P.M.

There will be a pre-meeting of the City Council at 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room A. No Council actions are taken at pre-meetings. Pre-meetings are open to the public.

PROCLAMATION – May – Arbor Month

PUBLIC HEARING - FY 2017 Budget

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under this item will be considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. If a Councilor wishes to discuss one (or more) item(s), Councilor may ask to have the item(s) removed from the Consent Agenda and considered individually.

16-070 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held April 21, 2016 and April 28, 2016, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

16-071 Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)
ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of April, 2016 in the amount of $8,749,292.13 be approved.

16-072 City Manager
ORDERED, That the City Council accept a donation for up to 100 flats of annual flowers valued at $3,500.00 to be used in the City’s gardens from Longfellow’s Greenhouses.

NEW BUSINESS

PART 1 - ORDER

16-073 Mayor and Council
ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to apply for federal COPS grant funding for one police officer position.

NEW BUSINESS (Con’t)

PART 2 – ORDINANCES BEING READ FOR THE FIRST TIME
NO VOTE REQUIRED

16-074 City Manager
WHEREAS, The City Council finds that bedbugs are a public nuisance; and,
WHEREAS, current City Ordinances do not give the City authority to address bedbug infestations; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is being passed as an emergency because of the effect of a bedbug infestation on public health and safety and the inadequacy of existing City authority.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Augusta as follows: See attached.

16-075  Mayor and Council
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending the Land Use Ordinance map entitled City of Augusta Base Zones will meet the growth area and 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:

The lot known as Assessor’s Map 5A, Lot 32, 33, 51 and a portion of Map 79, Lot 14 shall be rezoned in accordance with Section 300-106.B.(d)[1] of the Augusta Land Use Ordinance, as depicted on the map titled Proposed Rezoning Plan, J.S. McCarthy Printers, dated March 31, 2016. The new zone shall be Industrial District (IA).

16-076  Mayor Rollins and Councilors Alexander, Blodgett, Conti and McCormick.
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending the Code of City of Augusta, Land Use Ordinance, to include an Historic District benefits the public health, safety, and welfare; now therefore

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

Amend Chapter 300, Land Use, amending Section 300-316.5 regarding a Historic District, as attached; and
Amend Chapter 169, Historic Preservation, as attached.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports
City Manager’s Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
May 2, 2016