MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER  
6:30 P.M.

All members of Council were present; Mayor Rollins presided.

Presentation - Recognition of Department of Public Works Foreman, Clarence “Bug” Cram, for 37 Years of Service

Presentation - Restoring Augusta’s Bat Habitat, Councilor Paradis and Maine IFW Biologist Cory Mosby and James Holland, Director of CATC

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING

16-075
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 (1A).

Motion for passage by: Munson  Second by: Bilodeau
Yea:  8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
      Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nay:  0

16-076
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.

Motion for passage by: Conti Second by: Blodgett
Y eas: 7;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
         Munson, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 1;  Bilodeau

NEW BUSINESS

TABLED

16-079
ORDERED, That Karla Black be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals, said term to expire May 19, 2019.

Motion to remove item from Consent Agenda by: Conti Second by: Munson
Y eas: 8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
         Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 0;

Motion to table to June 2 meeting by: Conti Second by: Munson
Y eas: 8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
         Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 0;

NEW BUSINESS (Con’t)

READ AND PASSED

16-077
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held May 5, 2016, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Bilodeau
Y eas: 8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
         Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-078
ORDERED, That Ken Knight be reappointed as Chair of the Greater Augusta Utility District Board of Trustees, said term to expire June 1, 2019.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Bilodeau
Y eas: 8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
         Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 0
16-080
ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to renew an interlocal agreement between the communities of Augusta, Hallowell, Farmingdale and Gardiner for the construction, maintenance and supervision of the Kennebec River Rail Trail.

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

16-081
ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept the transfer of the .38 caliber gun ordered by the Court of the Defendant Marktese J. Frazier, on the grounds that the Augusta Police Department did make a substantial contribution to the investigation of this criminal case.

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

16-082
ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to sign a Letter of No-Action in order to remedy a property line encroachment at 48 Lafayette Street, Tax Map 30, Lot 38.

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

16-083
ORDERED, That Voter Registration hourly schedule for open session for the June 14, 2016 Primary and Municipal Referendum Election be:

Thursday June 9, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The intent of this order is to change the evening session time in accordance with M.R.S.A., Title 21-A, Section 122(8), as amended.

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

16-084
ORDERED, That the City of Augusta formerly requests that the Maine Department of Transportation make permanent the left hand turn exiting Marketplace Drive onto the Townsend Road.
Motion for passage by: Paradis  Second by: Munson
Yeas: 8;  Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
       Munson, Bilodeau, McCormick, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-085
ORDERED, that the City of Augusta gratefully accepts from the Kennebec Savings Bank the
donation of an historic stained glass window to be installed at the Lithgow Public Library.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
May 23, 2016