

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

AUGUSTA, MAINE

December 30, 2004

OATH OF OFFICE

Council Chambers - 7:00 p.m.

(City Council Members and School Board Members)

Agenda for the regular City Council meeting to be held Monday, January 3, 2005, Council Chambers, City Center.

PUBLIC HEARING - Community Development Block Grant Community Enterprise Grant application for \$125,000 to establish a facade improvement program for the Water Street building owners.

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.

- 001 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)  
ORDERED, That minutes of the City Council meeting held December 13, 2004 submitted by the City Clerk be approved.
- 002 Manager  
ORDERED, That the City Council accept various donations for the new Cony High School in an amount totaling \$13,717.00.
- 003 Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)  
ORDERED, That Roll of Accounts #5 for the month of November 2004 in the amount of \$4,286,291.82 be approved.
- 004 Manager (Department of Finance)  
ORDERED, That the report regarding the City's financial position through November 2004 be presented and accepted upon presentation.
- 005 Mayor Dowling  
ORDERED, That Donald Marchildon be reappointed to the Augusta Housing Authority; said term to expire January 10, 2010.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERSHAS BEEN READ, FIRST READING

- 197 Manager (Police Department)  
BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, Section 34 Schedule of stop signs, flashing red lights, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

<u>Throughway</u>	<u>Entering Street</u>
Congress Street	Third Avenue

- 198 Manager (Police Department)  
BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, Section 36 Schedule of yield right-of-way signs, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by deleting the following:

<u>Throughway</u>	<u>Entering Street</u>
Congress Street	Third Avenue

NEW BUSINESS

- 006 Manager  
ORDERED, That because of the problems which required the moratorium to be enacted on July 12, 2004 still exist and because the Planning Board is making reasonable progress in drafting a new comprehensive ordinance regulating mining and mineral extraction, the moratorium on new gravel pits enacted on July 12, 2004 is hereby extended by 180 days. The moratorium on new gravel pits, now extended to July 2, 2005, provides as follows:

That no owner, lessee, or operator of a gravel pit or other property upon or under which mining or mineral extraction occurs, or has occurred at anytime, may expand any existing use, formerly existing use or footprint of operation or begin any new mining activities, for a period of 180 days. This Order applies regardless of whether the operation is, or has been, licensed under State or other law.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

- 007     Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)  
ORDERED, That the citizens' petition question (to repeal Order 101; Rezoning of Storey Street) filed with the City Clerk on December 2, 2004 be submitted to the voters of the City of Augusta at the next regular or special municipal election.
- 008     Manager  
ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a 1% cost of living salary increase effective January 1, 2005 to non-union employees of the City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the following to be paid for group insurance provided to non-union employees and their dependents:

- Effective January 1, 2005, the City will continue to pay 90% of the total monthly health insurance premiums for employees and their eligible dependents. Employees will be responsible for the remaining 10% of the total monthly premium.

- Effective January 1, 2005, the City will continue to pay 100% of the total monthly premium for an employee's dental insurance. Employees may elect dependent coverage at their cost.

OTHER BUSINESS

Executive session to discuss labor negotiations; M.R.S.A., Title 1, Sec. 405(6)(D).

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports

City Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell  
City Clerk