

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

All members of the Council were present except Councilors Coffin and Stokes; Mayor Katz presided.

Public Hearing - Consolidation of Voting Wards for November 3, 2009 Municipal and State of Maine Referendum Election

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

017 WHEREAS, The City Council finds that the five criteria for approving an area rezoning, found in section 1.6.1.A.vii have been satisfied.

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

The parcels shown as the “area of change” on the attached map entitled Proposed Zoning and dated December 30, 2008, shall be rezoned to Planned Development (PD). Parcels included are Tax Assessor’s Map 48, Lots 3, 3-A, 3-B, 4, 5, 5-B, 6, 7, 8, 8-A, 8-B, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12-A, and the segment of railroad property that starts at Riggs Brook and runs south to Route 3.

(NO MOTION TO REMOVE FROM TABLE)

021 WHEREAS, The City Council finds that the Planning Board held the required public hearing on a proposed amendment to the City’s comprehensive plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that the 2007 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Augusta be amended as follows:

Volume 1, pages 33 and 34 of the City of Augusta 2007 Comprehensive Plan, which are maps entitled Future Land Use and Future Land Use Detail, shall be amended to include the area north of Rt. 3, west of Riverside Drive, south of Riggs Brook, and east of the Kennebec River as the same shade of brown, indicating mixed use development, as the area directly to the north of the modified area.

(NO MOTION TO REMOVE FROM TABLE)

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

- 095 ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held July 2, 2009 submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

- 096 ORDERED, That Roll of Accounts for the month of June 2009 in the amount of \$5,403,658.46 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

- 097 ORDERED, That Walter F. McKee be appointed to the Augusta Parking District; said term to expire July 16, 2014.

Motion for passage by: Munson

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

- 098 ORDERED, That following the public hearing for the purpose of consolidating the City's four (4) voting wards for the Municipal and State of Maine Referendum Election to be held November 3, 2009, that the polling places for Wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 as described in Chapter 7, Section 2 of the Augusta Code of Ordinances be consolidated into one (1) ward, being the Augusta Civic Center, 76 Community Drive, Augusta, for this election only, and;

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the City Clerk file this order and required certificate as required by M.R.S.A., Title 21-A, Section 631.

Motion for passage by: Munson

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED (Con't)

099 ORDERED, That the City Council appropriate \$25,000 from the Fund Balance to recharge the Contingency Account for the Tissue Mill Demolition Project.

Motion for passage by: Paradis

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

100 ORDERED, That the City Council enter into executive session to discuss:
- a personnel matter; 1 M.R.S.A., §405(6)(A)
- a pending litigation; 1 M.R.S.A., §405(6)(E)

Motion for passage by: O'Brien

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien,
Rollins, Munson,

Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
July 17, 2009