

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2011  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER  
7:00 P.M.**

There will be no pre-meeting. A reception for the newly elected members will be held outside the Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m.

OATH OF OFFICE – City Council Members and Board of Education Members

Cecil E. Munson – Councilor, At-Large  
William R. Stokes – Councilor, At-Large  
Patrick E. Paradis – Councilor, Ward 3  
Kimberly Martin – Board of Education, At-Large  
Willie Emerson – Board of Education, Ward 1  
Katie K. Vose – Board of Education, Ward 4

PRESENTATION - Recognition of UMA Student Design Exhibition winners:

1st place - Sarah Pendleton, (Artist 4)  
2nd place - Carol St. Pierre (Artist 2)  
3rd place - Catherine McDade (Artist 3)  
Honorable Mention - Kelly Dakin (Artist 1)

PRESENTATION – Cony High School Students of the Month for November:

- Katie Beach  
- James Fongemie

PRESENTATION - Greater Augusta Utility District

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.

11-001           Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held December 16, and December 30, 2010 submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

11-002           Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of December 2010 in the amount of \$5,580,259.69 be approved.

CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

- 11-003 City Manager  
ORDERED, That the City Council accept a donation from the Get Together Senior Citizens Club in an amount totaling \$100.00 for heating assistance.
- 11-004 Mayor Katz  
ORDERED that Delaine Nye be reappointed to the Planning Board; said term to expire December 17, 2013.
- 11-005 Mayor Katz  
ORDERED that Suzanne Page be reappointed to the Housing Authority; said term to expire December 5, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

SECOND READING

- 10-198 Councilor Rollins  
WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the criteria for approving a text Amendment, found in Section 1.6.1.B of the Land Use Ordinance has been satisfied; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that restaurants are a use proposed by the 2007 Comprehensive Plan for this commercial corridor; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council finds that traffic concerns on Mt. Vernon Ave are of heightened significance, necessitating the careful consideration of new uses that might impact congestion and safety; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes Mt. Vernon Ave as an important mixed use, residential/commercial corridor that is a primary access point to the city.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that the Augusta Land Use Ordinance be amended as follows:
- Amend Table 3.6.A.1, Land Uses in the Base Zoning Districts, to add "Restaurants, without drive through services" as a new use in the table and as a Conditional Use (CU) in the Resource Development (RD) zoning district only.

NEW BUSINESS

- 11-006 Mayor Katz  
ORDERED, That the City Manager's appointment of Robert Gregoire to the position of Chief of Police is hereby consented to by the Augusta City Council.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

11-007 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to execute collective bargaining agreements effective July 1, 2010 for a three-year term with the Teamsters Local 340, Police Supervisory, Police Patrol, General Government and Civic Center units, and with AFSCME Council 93, Public Works unit.

11-008 Mayor Katz

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 from Team Cony funds for Cony auditorium curtain.

11-009 Mayor Katz

BE IT ORDERED, That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement on behalf of the City between the Maine Department of Transportation, MaineGeneral Medical Center and the City of Augusta, referred to as the "Cooperative Agreement: Modification of Interstate 95 Exit 113 into a full services Interchange" and which is attached herein.

11-010 Councilor Stokes

WHEREAS, Augusta Mayor Roger Katz has resigned on January 6, 2011 and, as a result thereof, a vacancy exists in that office, and the City Charter provides that until such time as that vacancy is filled at a municipal election, the vacancy shall be filled from within the membership of the City Council by a majority vote of its members; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has informally indicated a consensus (following a precedent set in the election of 1981) that no candidate for mayor in the upcoming special election should be considered for council election as mayor in the interim and non-candidate councilors Paradis and Rollins have both expressed a willingness to serve as mayor in the interim;

THEREFORE, in the interest of maintaining the outstanding "esprit de corps" within this council, it is hereby;

ORDERED, That this Council elects Councilor Pat Paradis to serve first as Mayor commencing immediately until April 1, 2011, to be followed by Councilor Dave Rollins commencing on April 1, 2011 until our new mayor is elected and qualified by the voters of Augusta in June.

11-011 Councilor Stokes

WHEREAS, the Honorable Roger J. Katz has resigned as Mayor of the City of Augusta effective January 6, 2011 and, as a result thereof, a vacancy presently exists in that office; and

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

11-011 Continued

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, That a special election to fill the unexpired term of the Honorable Roger J. Katz shall be held on June 7, 2011.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports

City Manager’s Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk  
January 3, 2011