

**AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
6:00 P.M.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Enter into an executive session, pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A., Section 841(2), to discuss an application for abatement of property taxes on account of infirmity or poverty; 1 M.R.S.A., Section 405(6)(F).

PUBLIC HEARING - Malt and Vinous Liquor License application for Thaweesuk, d/b/a M Thai Restaurant and Noodle House

PUBLIC HEARING - Malt and Vinous Liquor License application for Lee Kerr of L and B BBQ LLC, d/b/a Dickey's Barbeque Pit

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.

12-039 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held March 15, 2012, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

12-040 Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of March, 2012, in the amount of \$4,551,671.18, be approved.

12-041 Mayor Stokes

ORDERED, That Maurice Fortin be reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review; said term to expire April 12, 2015.

12-042 Mayor Stokes

ORDERED, That Jeffrey Bilodeau be appointed to the Edwards Dam Selection Committee; said term to expire on April 12, 2015.

12-043 Manager

ORDERED, That the City Council accept a \$70.00 donation for heating assistance for residents of Augusta who are not General Assistance eligible..

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

11-146 Councilor O'Brien

ORDERED, That the City Manager be authorized to contract for demolition and improvements to Haymarket Square not including the construction of new bathroom facilities and not to exceed \$120,000 from the Downtown TIF.

12-035 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk and Treasurer)

ORDERED, That following a public hearing the application for a Malt and Vinous Liquor License be approved for:

Judy Li, d/b/a Great Wall Buffet

NEW BUSINESS

12-044 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That following a public hearing the application for a Malt and Vinous Liquor License be approved for:

Thaweesuk Soikum, d/b/a M. Thai Restaurant and Noodle House

12-045 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That following a public hearing the application for a Malt and Vinous Liquor License be approved for:

Lee Kerr of L and B BBQ LLC d/b/a Dickey's Barbeque Pit

12-046 Mayor and Councilors

ORDERED, That the City Council approve the property tax abatement request identified as 2012-1 which has been duly deliberated by the Augusta City Council in an executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A., Title 36, §841(2).

12-047 Councilor Rollins

ORDERED, That the City Manager be authorized to contract with Neokraft signs of Lewiston, Maine to manufacture and install Welcome and Gateway signage additions on existing gateway signage infrastructure that will incorporate the City's new logo for an amount not to exceed \$6,990.00 to be charged to the Council Contingency fund.

12-048 Manager (Bureau of Public Safety)

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife for the 2012 ATV Enforcement Grant. Grant funding will be utilized to provide directed ATV enforcement in Augusta.

12-049 Manager (Bureau of Public Safety)

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 from the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety for the 2012 "Buckle Up – No

Excuses!” campaign. Grant funding will be utilized to provide occupant protection education efforts and high visibility seatbelt enforcement.

12-050 Manager (Bureau of Public Safety)

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 from the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety for the 2012 Speed Enforcement Program. Grant funding will be utilized to provide high visibility directed speed enforcement.

12-051 Manager (Bureau of Public Works)

ORDERED, That, in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinances, Section 6-229, the City Council authorizes the City Manager to close Bond Street, Mount Vernon Avenue, Water Street (between Bond Street and Bridge Street) and Commercial Street Bypass as needed to all traffic in the vicinity the Greater Augusta Utility District CSO 3 project for the purpose of facilitating the installation/relocation of various water and sewer/storm water pipes associated with this construction project. Times of each closure to be determined based on the Contractor’s schedule and approved by the City Manager. Traffic will be re-routed in accordance with approved plans and adequate notification to the public.

12-052 Manager (Bureau of Public Works)

ORDERED, That, in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Land Use Ordinance Section 5.1.15.1.A.1.o, the City Council authorizes the City Manager to modify the hours of work of S. E. McMillan the contractor retained by the Greater Augusta Utility District CSO 3 project for the purpose of facilitating the installation/relocation of various water and sewer/storm water pipes associated with this construction project. Areas of work where modified work hours may be needed and/or may be beneficial to public safety include Bond Street, Mount Vernon Avenue, Water Street (between Bond Street and Bridge Street) and Commercial Street. Modification of work hours Times to be determined based on the Contractor’s schedule and approved by the City Manager.

12-053 Manager (Bureau of Public Safety)

ORDERED, That the City Manager be authorized to accept \$151,470 of allocated funds under the FY2011 Homeland Security (HSGP) Grant Program; \$85,107.85 for SHSP activities and \$66,362.71 for LETPP activities. Funds to cover Fire and Police Department Training, Incident Command and Equipment Cabinets, Emergency Fixed Generator for City Hall.

12-054 Manager

ORDERED, That the City Manager be authorized to execute a 15 ft. construction easement for S E MacMillan Corp at Mill Park to facilitate the installation of Greater Augusta Utility District combined sewer overflow infrastructure. Dimensions of easement shall conform to plan of CDM Engineering - File Name: CSTPL018, Sheet No. C-01 as attached.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports

City Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted,

Tina M. Charest, Deputy City Clerk
April 9, 2012