

**MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2016  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER  
6:30 P.M.**

All members of Council were present except Council McCormick; Mayor Rollins presided.

Proclamation - May - Arbor Month

Public Hearing - FY 2017 Budget

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ, FIRST 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 (IA).

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**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.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ AND PASSED, AS AN EMERGENCY

**16-074**

WHEREAS, The City Council finds that bedbugs are a public nuisance; and,

WHEREAS, current City Ordinances do not give the City authority to address bedbug infestations; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is being passed as an emergency because of the effect of a bedbug infestation on public health and safety and the inadequacy of existing City authority.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Augusta as follows: See attached.

Motion to suspend the rules to waive second reading, by: Paradis    Second by: Grant

Yeas: 7;        Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett  
                  Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

Motion for passage, as an emergency, by: Conti        Second by: Blodgett

Yeas: 7;        Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett  
                  Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ AND PASSED

**16-070**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held April 21, 2016 and April 28, 2016, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson        Second by: Blodgett

Yeas: 7;        Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett  
                  Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

**16-071**

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of April, 2016 in the amount of \$8,749,292.13 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson        Second by: Blodgett

Yeas: 7;        Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett  
                  Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

**16-072**

ORDERED, That the City Council accept a donation for up to 100 flats of annual flowers valued at \$3,500.00 to be used in the City's gardens from Longfellow's Greenhouses.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Blodgett

Yeas: 7;      Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett

                    Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

**16-073**

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to apply for federal COPS grant funding for one police officer position.

Motion for passage by: Paradis      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;      Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett

                    Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander

Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk

May 9, 2016