

**AGENDA FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

There will be a pre-meeting of the City Council at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room A. No Council actions are taken at pre-meetings. Pre-meetings are open to the public.

PRESENTATION - Mayor's Recognition of Excellence (REX) Award: Outstanding Community Service Award to Cony All Sports Boosters

PRESENTATION - Edwards Dam Scholarship Recipient Abigail Silsby

PUBLIC HEARING – CDBG Safe Neighborhood Grant Program

PUBLIC HEARING – Performance Foodservice TIF

PUBLIC HEARING – 275-287 Water Street TIF

PUBLIC HEARING – Application for a Malt Liquor License for Carlos Laurel d/b/a Bay Wrap Augusta LLC, 1 Hichborn Street

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.

16-086 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held May 19, 2016, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

16-087 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Manger is authorized to accept a donation from The Friends Of Lithgow Library in the amount of \$27,776, for a 13' long granite sign and 4" high base using Champlain Grey Granite inscribed with the words Lithgow Public Library.

16-088 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Council accepts an anonymous donation of two Freezers valued at \$1,500.00 to be used for the City's "Kids Pantry" summer food program.

16-089 City Manager

BE IT ORDERED, That the City Council accept a cash donation of \$14,500.00 for the purchase of a hazardous material truck cap and the following equipment as in-kind donations from the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention an Office of the Maine Department of Health and Human Services: nine Scott air pack bottles, two blower fans, one hot water heater, 45 traffic cones, one Honda generator, one surface computer, two propane cylinders. The total

value of the in-kind donations is \$25,692.52 and the total contribution will be \$40,192.52.

16-090 Mayor Rollins

ORDERED, That Janet Church Doerr be appointed to the Augusta Historical Preservation Commission; said term to expire June 2, 2019.

16-091 Mayor and Council

ORDERED, that the City Manager be appointed a voting delegate to the Maine Service Centers Coalition.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

TABLED

16-079 Mayor Rollins

ORDERED, That Karla Black be appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals, said term to expire May 19, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

16-092 Mayor and Council

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept an Efficiency Maine Grant in the amount of \$105,000 to convert the interior and exterior lighting of City Center, Civic Center, Police Department (former Naval Reserve Building), John Charest Public Works Complex, Buker Community Center, Western Avenue Fire Station, Daryl Parker Wells Fire Station and the City decorative street lighting to LED Technology. The total estimated cost of the conversion is estimated to be \$426,339.

16-093 Mayor and Council

BE IT RESOLVED, that there is hereby appropriated for the support of the departments of the City of Augusta, for payment of County Taxes, for the bonded indebtedness of the City, and for all the other debts incurred by the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the sum of \$58,072,343 of which a summary appears below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amount to be raised from current real and personal taxes considering estimated departmental revenues, fund balance, and other sources of \$29,195,930 be set at \$28,876,413

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Augusta appropriate \$29,640,019 for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and that the City of Augusta raise \$12,152,154 as the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

Explanation: The City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services

Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Augusta raise and appropriate \$243,325 for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve.

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the City's long-term debt for major capital school construction and minor capital renovations that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters of the City as follows:

- New Cony High School – approved by the voters on December 2, 2003

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Augusta raise and appropriate \$0 in additional local funds, which is less than the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$251,606 as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

Explanation: The additional local funds, if any, are those locally raised funds over and above the City's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual debt service payment on previously approved non-state-funded school construction projects and the non-state-funded portion of minor capital school construction projects that will help achieve the City's budget for educational programs. The appropriate is less than the Essential Program and Services model.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta appropriate \$617,581 and raise \$395,081 for Adult Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta authorize the Augusta Board of Education to expend \$30,257,600 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 from the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.

	FINAL BUDGET
LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE	
MAYOR AND COUNCIL	\$29,639
CITY MANAGER	\$223,905
CORPORATION COUNSEL	\$128,004
UNCLASSIFIED	\$154,956

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY	\$20,000
MANAGER CONTINGENCY	\$10,000
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE	<u>\$566,504</u>

CITY CLERK, TREASURER, TAX COLLECTOR	\$528,854
REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS	\$42,585
CITY AUDITOR	\$178,475
INFORMATION SYSTEMS	\$432,288
ASSESSOR	\$177,056
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION	\$156,657
HUMAN RESOURCES	\$272,259
TOTAL FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION	<u>\$1,788,174</u>

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$260,914
PLANNING	\$244,648
HISTORICAL PRESERVATION	\$5,825
CODE ENFORCEMENT	\$196,194
ENGINEER	\$ 89,923
CITY BUILDINGS	\$862,469
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	<u>\$1,659,973</u>

COMMUNITY SERVICES	
COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	\$187,560
PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$747,271
RECREATION	\$166,301
PARKS AND CEMETERIES	\$828,337
FORT WESTERN	\$104,793
BICENTENNIAL NATURE PARK	\$26,819
HEALTH AND WELFARE	\$160,264
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$199,300
TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES	<u>\$2,420,645</u>

PUBLIC SAFETY	
POLICE	\$4,802,728
FIRE	\$4,281,675
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	<u>\$9,084,403</u>

PUBLIC WORKS	
PUBLIC WORKS ADM	\$68,252
HIGHWAY	\$1,967,353
SNOW REMOVAL	\$898,094
WASTE REMOVAL	\$813,297
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	<u>\$3,746,996</u>

TOTAL UTILITIES	\$2,525,542
TOTAL RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE	\$2,203,333
TOTAL SERIAL BONDS AND NOTES	\$2,332,655
TOTAL COUNTY TAX	\$1,486,518
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$ 331,292
SUPERINTENDENT’S OFFICE	\$ 774,667
MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$2,634,127
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	\$9,903,892
CONY HIGH SCHOOL	\$6,387,634
CAPITAL ARE TECHNICAL CENTER	\$2,450,909
SYSTEM WIDE SERVICES	\$4,800,405
DEBT SERVICE	\$2,357,093
ADULT EDUCATION	\$617,581
TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	\$30,257,600
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$58,072,343

16-094 Mayor and Council

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta (the “City”) is authorized pursuant to Chapter 207 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, to establish the “City of Augusta - 275-287 Water Street Improvement Municipal Tax Increment Financing District” (the “District”) and establish the Development Program for the District (the “Development Program”); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for Downtown LLC to make a substantial investment to bring newly acquired property up to city and state building codes;

WHEREAS, the improvement of historic, downtown buildings will add significantly to the tax base of the community;

WHEREAS, the addition of several new, market-rate apartments will help achieve the city’s downtown revitalization goals;

WHEREAS, implementation of the Development Program will help to provide additional investment in the City of Augusta; improve and broaden the tax base in the City of Augusta and improve the economy of the City of Augusta and the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to encourage the improvement and continuation of commercial activities through the establishment of the District in accordance with the provision of Chapter 207 of Title 30-A; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to designate the 275-287 Water Street Improvement Municipal Tax Increment Financing District, and to adopt a Development Program for the District; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that approval will be obtained from the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (the “Department”), approving the designation of the District and the adoption of the Development Program for the District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, That the development program creating the 275-287 Water Street Improvement Municipal Economic Development Program and Tax Increment Financing District, be approved and that the City Manager is authorized to sign a Credit Enhancement Agreement with the developer consistent with the Development Program adopted herein.

16-095 Mayor Rollins and Councilors; Alexander, Blodgett, Conti, Grant, McCormick, Munson and Paradis.

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta (the “City”) is authorized pursuant to Chapter 207 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, to establish the “City of Augusta – Performance Food Service, Incorporated Municipal Tax Increment Financing District” (the “District”) and establish the Development Program for the District (the “Development Program”); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for Performance Food Service, Incorporated to make a substantial investment to expand its food storage facilities;

WHEREAS, the expansion of the facility at Performance Food Service, Incorporated will preserve the number of quality jobs in the City of Augusta;

WHEREAS, implementation of the Development Program will help to provide additional investment in the City of Augusta; improve and broaden the tax base in the City of Augusta and improve the economy of the City of Augusta and the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to improve fire protection facilities and apparatus for the protection of citizens of the City of Augusta and the surrounding region;

WHEREAS, there is a need to encourage the expansion, improvement and continuation of commercial activities through the establishment of the District in accordance with the provision of Chapter 207 of Title 30-A; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to designate the Performance Food Service, Inc. Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District, and to adopt a Development Program for the District; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that approval will be obtained from the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (the “Department”), approving the designation of the District and the adoption of the Development Program for the District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, That the development program creating the Performance Food Service, Incorporated Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District, be approved and that the City Manager is authorized to sign a Credit Enhancement Agreement with the company consistent with the Development Program adopted herein.

16-096 Mayor and Council

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a Beer Tent to be held on Saturday & Sunday, June 25 & 26, 2016 or alternative inclement weather date at the City's Bond Brook Recreation Area during the Augusta Trails Fifth Annual Tread Fest.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Beer Tent be managed and operated by a duly licensed vendor with all applicable licenses, permits and insurance in place prior to the event and that all servers will be properly TIPS trained and certified.

16-097 Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)

ORDERED, That the application for a Malt Liquor License be approved for Carlos Laurel d/b/a Bay Wrap Augusta LLC, 1 Hichborn Street

16-098 Mayor and Council

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta wishes to apply to the Department of Economic and Community Development for a Community Development Block Grant to carry out an Safe Neighborhood Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the planning process required by Maine Law and the CDBG Program have been complied with, including participation in the planning process by low and moderate income families and the community has conducted at least one duly advertised public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta is cognizant of the requirement that should the intended National Objective of the CDBG program not be met all CDBG funds must be repaid to the State of Maine CDBG program; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Council of the City of Augusta that the City Manager:

1. Is authorized and directed to submit an application for the following program and within the State of Maine's CDBG Program:

Program: Safe Neighborhood Grant Program

Amount: up to \$49,000.00

To the Department of Economic and Community Development on behalf of the City of Augusta, substantially in the form presented to this Council;

2. Is authorized to make assurances on behalf of the city of Augusta as required as part of such applications, and

3. Is authorized and directed, upon acceptance of said funds to carry out the duties and responsibilities for implementing said program, consistent with the Charter of the City of Augusta and the laws and regulations governing planning and implementation of the community development programs in the State of Maine.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports
City Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
May 31, 2016