

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 7, 2012
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.

PROCLAMATION - Honoring Kiwanis Anniversary

PRESENTATION - Recognition of Retiring AFD Battalion Chief Ed Charles

PRESENTATION - Drinking Water Source of Supply Update

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.

12-080 **Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held May 17, 2012, May 24, 2012 and May 31, 2012 submitted by the City Clerk and the Deputy City Clerk, be approved.

12-081 **Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)**

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of May, 2012 in the amount of \$4,147,381.30 be approved.

12-082 **Mayor Stokes**

ORDERED, That William B. Leet be reappointed to the Assessment Review Board; said term to expire on June 7, 2015.

12-083 **City Manager**

ORDERED, That the City Council accepts a donation for up to 100 flats annual flowers valued at \$3,200.00 to be used in the City's gardens from Longfellow's Greenhouses.

12-084 **Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)**

ORDERED, That Linda Hadley-Rood of 119 Northern Avenue, serve as Warden in Ward 3, Civic Center, for the Primary Election to be held June 12, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That Roger Charest of 11 Birchview Drive, serve as Ward Clerk in Ward 3, Civic Center for the Primary Election to be held June 12, 2012.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

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.

(Tabled, Unassigned May 3, 2012)

12-079 Manager (Department of Community Services)

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that Chapter 6.5. Community Services, Article 3. Health and Welfare, Division 2. General Assistance, Section 168 of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended as indicated in the attached documents. The amendments are in accordance with Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in compliance with Title 22 M.R.S.A. ss4305 (4).

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

TABLED, FIRST READING

12-069 Councilor Rollins

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that mixed use development with limited commercial opportunities directly east of the Cony Road intersection with Eastern Ave is supported by the 2007 Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, that the following parcels of land be rezoned from Rural Residential (RRES) to Planned Development 2 (PD2): Tax Map 11, Lot 123; Tax Map 56, Lots 2 and 3; and the portion of Tax Map 56, Lot 7 that is currently zoned RRES.

(1st reading tabled on May 3, 2012)

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

SECOND READING

12-078 Manager (Department of Development Services)

WHEREAS, the property at Tax Map 85, Lot 18 has a house on it and the current zoning does not allow it to be used for both a residential and commercial use due to site capacity analysis.

WHEREAS, the property located at Tax Map 85, Lot 19 has an auto repair/service and an automobile business on it. It is located between Tax Map 85, Lot 20, which is in the Regional Business (CC) District, and Tax Map 85, Lot 18.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that the following amendments be made to the Land Use Ordinance, Official Zoning Map:

The lot known as Assessor's Map 85, Lot 18 shall be rezoned in accordance with Section 1.6.1(A)(iv)(b) of the Augusta Land Use Ordinance. The new contract zone shall be Regional Business (CC) District with two uses specifically allowed as permitted uses – “automobile business” and “one and two family dwellings”.

The lot known as Assessor's Map 85, Lot 19 shall be rezoned in accordance with Section 1.6.1(A)(iv)(b) of the Augusta Land Use Ordinance. The new contract zone shall be Regional Business (CC) District with three uses specifically allowed as permitted uses – “auto repair/service”, “automobile business”, and “one and two family dwellings”.

NEW BUSINESS

PART 1 – ORDERS

12-085 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Council, consistent with salary adjustments awarded to union employees, authorize a 2% cost-of-living salary adjustment to full-time and permanent part-time non-union employees at the start of the pay week closest to July 1, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the following monthly premiums to be paid for group health insurance provided to eligible non-union employees and their dependants. Amend the City Administrative regulations, Section III C.5, second sentence under Medical Insurance to read:

- Effective July 1, 2012 the City will pay 80% of the total monthly health insurance premiums for employees and their eligible dependants. Employees will be responsible for the remaining 20% of the total monthly premium.

12-086 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City of Augusta property taxes for the 2013 fiscal year shall be due and payable at the Office of the Tax Collector as follows:

- ONE HALF shall be due on September 13, 2012
- ONE HALF shall be due on March 14, 2013

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That interest is charged on any outstanding amount commencing one (1) day after the due date at the rate of 7% per annum.

12-087 Councilors Byron and Rollins

WHEREAS, the Alumni Field Study Committee has during the course of the past year, met in excess of 20 times to study and formulate recommendations for improvement to Alumni Field at the Cony High School complex, and;

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist to enable said improvements and;

WHEREAS, said improvements are expected to leverage additional private contributions that will fund further enhancements to the Alumni Field Complex;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, That the following capital improvements are hereby authorized and are to be funded as described:

- A) Replacements of main bleachers for a cost not to exceed \$120,000 funding to come from residual Cony High School construction funding.
- B) Additional Alumni Field improvements to include but not limited to remedial sod work, goal post replacement, lighting upgrades, electrical upgrades and construction of concessions to be funded with \$140,755 of remaining team Cony private funds to be matched by in-kind private donations of materials and labor with an estimated full value of \$260,000.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the remaining \$154,800 of residual Cony High School bond construction money shall be held in reserve, pending further City council review and authorization.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

PART 2 – ORDINANCE BEING READ FOR THE FIRST TIME
NO VOTE REQUIRED

12-088 City Manager

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 13, section 22 Littering, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

Sec. 13-22. – Littering.

A person shall not place or cause to be placed in any public way, public park, public parking lot or other public property any refuse of any kind including, but not limited to, tobacco products, glass, metal, wood or paper products, and garbage except in proper containers placed there for the collection of garbage or rubbish, or except at a municipal ~~dump~~ landfill.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports

City Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
June 5, 2012