

**AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2013
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
6:30 P.M.**

PUBLIC HEARING - Haymarket/Market Square Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

13-115 Mayor Stokes

BE IT ORDERED, That the Mayor appoint the following individuals; Rebecca Patkus, Daniel Nichols, James Goulet, Lionel Cayer and Leif Dahlin to the Community Development Advisory Committee to oversee and guide the Haymarket/Market Square project through the planning and implementation process, as required to be in compliance with the CDBG program rules and regulations. Their terms will conclude upon satisfactory completion of the project.

13-116 Manager (Development Services)

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta wishes to apply to the Department of Economic and Community for a Community Development Block Grant to carry out a community development 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 individuals and the community had 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.

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

Is authorized and directed to submit an application for the Downtown Revitalization Program requesting \$200,000.00 from the State of Maine's CDBG Program, to the Department of Economic and Community Development on behalf of the City of Augusta, substantially in the form presented to this council; and

- 1.) Is authorized to make assurances on behalf of the City of Augusta required as part of such applications, and
- 2.) Is authorized and directed, upon acceptance of said funds to carry out the duties and responsibilities for implementing and said program(s), 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.

13-117 City Manager

BE IT ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the City Manager to expend up to the sum of Four Hundred and Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$413,000.00) as submitted in the budget that provides the requisite Community Development Block Grant match and the funds necessary to complete the project including the Bus Depot relocation.

13-118 City Manager

BE IT ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Lease agreement with the State of Maine, Department of Transportation to utilize a portion of the rail bed located on Tax map 33, Lot 288 - 31.1A for the relocation of the Bus Depot from Haymarket/Market Square for an annual rental fee of \$100.00.

13-119 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement with the Teamsters Local Union 340, Dispatch Unit. Term of the agreement is July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

13-120 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to execute a natural gas pipeline easement across City owned property located at the Eastside Boat Landing and Westside Waterfront Park as approved by the City Attorney. In consideration, a payment in the amount of \$50,000 is made to the City of Augusta.

13-121 Councilor Emery

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize beer and wine to be served at Waterfront Park as a part of the Augusta Downtown Alliance's AugustaFest celebration to be held on Saturday, August 3, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the beer and wine will 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.

13-122 Mayor and Council

ORDERED, That Mayor Stokes is authorized to execute a three year employment contract between the City of Augusta and City Manager William R. Bridgeo to be effective July 1, 2013 and to expire on June 30, 2016 as provided to Council in draft form by City Attorney Langsdorf on July 8, 2013.

OTHER BUSINESS

Enter into executive session to discuss a potential / pending litigation; 1 M.R.S.A., §405(6)(E).

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
July 8, 2013