

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 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 - Day of the Girl: October 11, 2012

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.

12-150 **Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held September 20, 2012, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

12-151 **Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)**

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of September, 2012 in the amount of \$6,042,968.78 be approved.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

SECOND READING

12-149 **Mayor Stokes and Councilor Byron**

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

Article IV. Procurement, Sec. 2-316(c). Purchases \$1500.00 and Under; of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by changing the following:

(c). [Payment of purchases.] The payment of purchases more than ~~three hundred dollars (\$300.00)~~ six hundred dollars (\$600.00) and less than one thousand five hundred, one dollars (\$1,501.00) will be made either on purchase order forms or by using a purchasing card. The use of purchasing cards does not require a purchase order number. Certain circumstances may require the use of a purchase order under one thousand five hundred one dollars (\$1,501.00) (e.g. Vendor required, expenditures from certain accounts, etc.)

NEW BUSINESS

Part 1 – ORDERS

12-152 City Council

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a Beer Tent to be held on Saturday, October 21, 2012 or alternative inclement weather date at the City's Bond Brook Recreation Area during the Augusta Trails First 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.

12-153 City Council

ORDERED, that the City Administrative Regulations Manual for employees be further amended by adopting the attached changes.

12-154 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application in the amount of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$112,825.00) to the State of Maine, Department of Transportation for the purpose of seeking grant funds to help assist with developing a safer route to Hussey Elementary School. The requisite 20% match will be reviewed during the FY 2014 annual budget review. If successful, grant funds will be managed through the Finance Department and administered through the office of City Services.

12-155 City Manager

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the City Manager to submit grant application to the State of Maine, Department of Transportation for the purpose of seeking grant funds in the amount of Four Hundred Eight Thousand and Nine Hundred and Thirty Four Dollars (\$408,934.00) to help assist with developing a bulkhead at the Eastside Boat Landing Park as part of a bank stabilization project on the Kennebec River. While most of the 20% match is already appropriated in the City's CIP for this bank stabilization work, the requisite 20% match will be additionally reviewed during the FY 2014 annual budget process. If successful, grant funds will be managed through the Finance Department and administered through the office of City Services.

12-156 Manager (Police Department)

ORDERED, That the City Council does hereby grant approval pursuant to Title 15 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated Sections 5824(3) & 5826(6) to the transfer of (\$2,700.00), U.S. Currency, on the grounds that the City of Augusta Police Department did make a substantial contribution to the investigation of this criminal case, namely, State of Maine v. Dakota C. Bonnell, Kennebec County Superior Court.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

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

12-157 Mayor

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

That Chapter 2 – Administration, Article II - City Council, Division 2 - Rules of Procedure, §2-51. Presiding Officer of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be deleted:

Sec. 2-51. - Presiding officer.

- (a) The Mayor, or in his absence the Chairperson, shall take the chair at the meetings of the Council.
- (b) In the absence of the Mayor and the Chairperson, the City Clerk shall call the meeting to order, and a presiding officer for the time being shall be elected by the Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

Enter into executive session to discuss property negotiations; 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C).

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports

City Manager's Report

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
October 1, 2012