



# THE CITY OF AUGUSTA

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TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Bill Bridgeo  
RE: Administrative Report  
DATE: October 3, 2016

## Meetings:

On Tuesday, October 4, 2016 there will be a Mayor's Workforce and Economic Development Committee meeting at noon in Council Chambers.

City Council will hold a Business Meeting on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> in Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m. Agendas are enclosed in Council Packets. There will be a pre-meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

There will be a Senior Staff meeting at the Civic Center in the Cumberland Room beginning at 8:15 a.m. on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.

City of Augusta Administrative offices will be closed on Monday, October 10, 2016 for the Columbus Day holiday.

## Other Items:

One of the items scheduled for discussion at tomorrow's Workforce and Economic Development Committee meeting is the planned expansion of the Central Maine Commerce Center complex. Developer Kevin Mattson has advised us that he is prepared to initiate Phase II of the overall development plan, which would see the construction of new roadway and utility infrastructure and open up a number of new sites for new enterprises. Kevin has been invited by Mayor Rollins to speak to the committee about his plans for the future at the complex. It should be a stimulating presentation. Members of Council are, of course welcome to attend (see the enclosed memorandum from Keith Luke for more particulars).

Reconstruction of Northern Avenue began this morning with milling of the existing pavement between Mill Park and Monroe Street. Look for regrading, new concrete curbing and sidewalk installation and street paving within the next three weeks. Work will continue until we hit the conclusion of the construction season (when the asphalt plants close for the year). We will also be milling and installing base pavement on the Cross Hill Road during the same period of time.

Speaking of street improvements, please see Lesley Jones's memorandum to me (enclosed) regarding the good work performed by our City staff and our counterparts at GAUD.

Look for structural steel to go up this week at the North Augusta Fire station project. Right now the project is about a month behind schedule due to some issues with timeliness with the

concrete subcontractor. Our goal is to make up that time once the skeleton of the building is complete. In any event, our contract with the general contractor has appropriate penalties that accrue should the project not be completed within the schedule agreed to (February).

When you next visit City Hall please take note of the new ADA compliant directional signage recently installed throughout the building. This was a CIP item in last year's budget and I think the finished product came out quite nicely. Speaking of City Hall, the Community Services staff are back in their newly renovated suite of offices (with nightmares of bedbugs well behind them, thankfully). That renovation was also planned for in the last CIP. The bedbug problem caused it to move up the priority list.

The annual MMA Convention is being held in Bangor on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Several members of Council (as well as Mayor Rollins and I) are planning to attend. We will all be back in time for Thursday evening's Council meeting.

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