



THE CITY OF AUGUSTA

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CITY MANAGER

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Bill Bridgeo
RE: Administrative Report
DATE: February 8, 2016

Meetings:

There will be a TIF Committee Meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

The Planning Board will meet on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00 in Council Chambers. An agenda is enclosed in Council Packets.

An Informational Meeting of the City Council will take place on Thursday, February 11, 2016 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. An agenda for this meeting is enclosed in Council Packets.

City of Augusta administrative offices will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2016 for the President's Day Holiday.

Other Items:

Councilor Grant asked me last week to go over with him what City staff had prepared for observations and recommendations related to the 2015 Council goal of exploring possible improvements to the Western Avenue gateway to the City. He has asked that it be placed on the informational meeting agenda for this week to gauge Council support for elements of that staff work that might be incorporated in the Council goals for the coming year. A copy of that staff report is enclosed with this packet.

Second on the agenda for discussion at Thursday's informational meeting is review and discussion of Council's proposed 2016 Goals and Action Items. Mayor Rollins and I have reviewed the draft that is enclosed with this packet that was crafted by our facilitator Frank O'Hara. A usual, Frank has, I believe, done a great job of capturing both the spirit of the goal-setting session and the particulars but this ultimately is your work product and it is nice to have the luxury of a light meeting agenda so as to provide ample opportunity for you to vet and amend as you deem appropriate.

Third on the agenda is a review of the current listing of City boards and committees compiled by Loretta Lathe intended to facilitate discussion about Council policy regarding appointments and residency.

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Councilor Grant and Mayor Rollins and I also met on Friday to discuss kicking off the work of the Mayor's Committee on Economic and Workforce Development. They have decided to co-chair the committee and will hold its first meeting at noon on Friday, February 26th. A memorandum to Council and the committee from Councilor Grant on this matter is also enclosed.

C: Department and Bureau Directors
Augusta Legislative Delegation