

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

All members of the Council were present; Mayor Katz presided

Presentation – Sister City Program

Public Hearing – Appropriation Resolve FY 2009 - 2010

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING, AS AMENDED

062 BE IT RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated for the support of the departments of the City of Augusta, for payment of County Taxes, for the bonded indebtedness of the City, and for all the other debts incurred by the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the sum of ~~\$49,976,967~~ \$49,764,056 of which a summary appears below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the amount to be raised from current real and personal taxes considering estimated departmental revenues, fund balance, and other sources of ~~\$25,844,280~~ \$25,838,239 to be set at ~~\$24,132,687~~ \$23,925,817.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Augusta appropriate ~~\$26,005,012~~ \$25,896,758 for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and that the City of Augusta raise ~~\$9,683,520~~ \$9,417,408 as the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15688.

Explanation: The City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta raise and appropriate \$305,656 for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state-funded portions of school construction projects and minor capital projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

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Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the City's long-term debt for major capital school construction and minor capital renovations that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters of the City as follows:

- New Cony High School – approved by the voters on December 2, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta raise and appropriate ~~\$87,178~~ \$253,290 in additional local funds, which is less than the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by ~~\$562,438~~ \$491,758 as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the City's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual debt service payment on previously approved non-state-funded school construction projects and the non-state-funded portion of minor capital school construction projects that will help achieve the City's budget for educational programs. The appropriation exceeds the Essential Program and Services model in the following areas: special education, extra and co-curricular activities, transportation, pension obligations debt, central administration, and contingency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta appropriate \$584,010 and raise \$382,299 for Adult Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Augusta authorize the Augusta Board of Education to expend ~~\$26,981,856~~ \$27,039,714 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 from the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade twelve as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.

	PRELIMINARY BUDGET	FINAL BUDGET
LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE		
MAYOR AND COUNCIL	\$36,876	\$36,876
CITY MANAGER	\$239,930	<u>\$234,501</u>
CORPORATION COUNSEL	\$117,180	\$117,180

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING, AS AMENDED (Con't)

062	Continued		
	CENTRAL SERVICES	\$10,755	\$10,755
	UNCLASSIFIED	\$167,610	\$171,610
	COUNCIL CONTINGENCY	\$20,000	\$20,000
	MANAGER CONTINGENCY	\$10,000	\$10,000
	TOTAL LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE	<u>\$602,351</u>	<u>\$600,922</u>
	FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION		
	CITY CLERK, TREASURER, TAX COLLECTOR	\$480,435	\$470,601
	REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS	\$25,764	\$25,764
	CITY AUDITOR	\$146,832	\$143,587
	INFORMATION SYSTEMS	\$375,934	\$370,624
	ASSESSOR	\$203,680	\$198,951
	FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION	\$113,326	\$110,193
	HUMAN RESOURCES	\$230,322	\$225,272
	TOTAL FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION	<u>\$1,576,293</u>	<u>\$1,544,992</u>
	CITY SERVICES		
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$237,321	\$232,806
	PLANNING	\$163,529	\$160,169
	HISTORICAL PRESERVATION	\$5,825	\$5,825
	CODE ENFORCEMENT	\$147,260	\$144,130
	CITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	\$63,857	\$62,660
	ENGINEER	\$172,523	\$143,568
	CITY BUILDINGS	\$492,608	\$486,763
	BUKER SCHOOL	\$159,264	\$158,386
	CONY/FLATIRON	\$49,985	\$49,985
	TOTAL CITY SERVICES	<u>\$1,492,172</u>	<u>\$1,444,292</u>
	COMMUNITY SERVICES		
	CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$0	\$0
	COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	\$149,453	\$145,597
	PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$572,963	\$571,356
	RECREATION	\$170,678	\$168,755
	PARKS AND CEMETERIES	\$734,042	\$709,957
	FORT WESTERN	\$128,524	\$125,670
	BICENTENNIAL NATURE PARK	\$0	\$48,000

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING, AS AMENDED (Con't)

062	Continued		
	HEALTH AND WELFARE	\$134,133	<u>\$131,570</u>
	GENERAL ASSISTANCE	\$75,300	<u>\$75,300</u>
	TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES	<u>\$1,965,093</u>	<u>\$1,976,205</u>
	PUBLIC SAFETY		
	POLICE	\$3,936,807	<u>\$3,859,927</u>
	FIRE	\$3,381,007	<u>\$3,382,570</u>
	CIVIL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS	\$11,665	<u>\$11,665</u>
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	<u>\$7,329,479</u>	<u>\$7,254,162</u>
	PUBLIC WORKS		
	PUBLIC WORKS ADM	\$115,075	<u>\$112,200</u>
	HIGHWAY	\$1,330,344	<u>\$1,299,458</u>
	SNOW REMOVAL	\$1,015,857	<u>\$1,015,857</u>
	WASTE REMOVAL	\$610,303	<u>\$750,070</u>
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	<u>\$3,071,579</u>	<u>\$3,177,585</u>
	TOTAL UTILITIES	\$2,125,432	<u>\$1,893,472</u>
	TOTAL RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE	\$2,284,186	<u>\$2,284,186</u>
	TOTAL SERIAL BONDS AND NOTES	\$1,098,246	<u>\$1,098,246</u>
	TOTAL RESERVE AND CASH C.I.P.	\$7,500	<u>\$7,500</u>
	TOTAL COUNTY TAX	\$1,442,780	<u>\$1,442,780</u>
	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION		
	REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$8,824,530	<u>\$8,824,521</u>
	SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$3,855,474	<u>\$3,855,474</u>
	CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	<u>\$2,679,693</u>	<u>\$2,639,701</u>
	OTHER INSTRUCTION	\$668,073	<u>\$668,073</u>
	STUDENT AND STAFF SUPPORT	\$2,310,048	<u>\$2,310,048</u>
	SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	\$643,651	<u>\$643,651</u>
	SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$1,401,396	<u>\$1,401,396</u>
	TRANSPORTATION	\$990,615	<u>\$990,615</u>
	FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	<u>\$2,354,799</u>	<u>\$2,452,658</u>

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HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING, AS AMENDED (Con't)

062	Continued		
	DEBT SERVICE	\$2,458,875	\$2,458,875
	ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$210,692	\$210,692
	ADULT EDUCATION	\$584,010	\$584,010
	TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	<u>\$26,981,856</u>	<u>\$27,039,714</u>
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$49,976,967	<u>\$49,764,056</u>

Motion for passage by: Rollins

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

- 072 ORDERED, That the City of Augusta property taxes for the 2010 fiscal year shall be due and payable at the Office of the Tax Collector as follows:
- ONE HALF shall be due on September 10, 2009
 - ONE HALF shall be due on March 11, 2010

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That interest is charged on any outstanding amount commencing one (1) day after the due date at the rate of 9% per annum.

Motion for passage by: O'Brien

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
June 5, 2009