



City of Hogansville  
**City Council**  
Work Session Meeting Agenda  
**Monday, April 1, 2024 – 5:30 pm**

**Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall**

Mayor: <i>Jake Ayers</i>	2025	City Manager: <i>Lisa E. Kelly</i>
Council Post 1: <i>Michael Taylor, Jr *</i>	2025	Assistant City Manager: <i>Niles Ford</i>
Council Post 2: <i>Matthew Morgan</i>	2025	City Attorney: <i>Alex Dixon</i>
Council Post 3: <i>Mandy Neese</i>	2027	Chief of Police: <i>Jeffrey Sheppard</i>
Council Post 4: <i>Mark Ayers</i>	2027	City Clerk: <i>LeAnn Lehigh</i>
Council Post 5: <i>Kandis Strickland</i>	2027	* Mayor Pro-Tem

**WORK SESSION – 5:30 pm**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. City Tech – Charles Abbott & Associates
2. Speed Photo Enforcement System – RedSpeed, Georgia, LLC
3. AMR



04/01/2024

*Meeting held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville GA 30230*

**Work Session Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Jake Ayers called the Work Session to order at 5:37 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, and Council Member Kandis Strickland. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Niles Ford, City Attorney Alex Dixon, Police Chief Jeff Sheppard, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh. Council Member Mark Ayers was not present at the Work Session meeting.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

***1. City Tech – Charles Abbott & Associates (CAA)***

City staff is asking Council to approve an agreement with Charles Abbott & Associates, who is the City's building officials/engineers and provide professional services, to use their City Tech permitting software. The software would allow applying for a permit from anywhere, without having to come to City Hall. The software would allow the contractor to track the progress of building permits. It takes the responsibility from City staff. Since the City already has a working relationship with CAA, they would offer a reduced cost of the software. The cost of the software would be \$1550 per month, and a 2% increase starting at year 2. This item is on the agenda for tonight's Regular Meeting for Council action.

***2. Speed Photo Enforcement System – RedSpeed, Georgia, LLC***

A RedSpeed representative & Chief Sheppard addressed Council regarding contracting with RedSpeed to install a photo speed camera at Hogansville Elementary School. There would be no up-front costs of the installation. RedSpeed would collect 35% of the violation revenues, and the City would receive the other 65%. Speed monitoring and violations would only be during school hours when children are in school. The process takes a little while to implement and the City would need to adopt an ordinance to install the camera. City Tech would install signage. RedSpeed would collect speeding data 24-7 with a 30-day back up. All paperwork and violations sent are done by RedSpeed. The laws are particular with regards to when speeding is ticketed, 1 hour before kids at school to 1 hour after school ends. Council is on board with the idea of the speed cameras. City Attorney Alex Dixon has done a lot of research on the system and will review the contracts by the next meeting on April 15. Council agreed to allow RedSpeed to perform a speed study immediately.

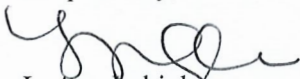
***3. AMR***

AMR is asking for a subsidy from Troup County & Cities of LaGrange and Hogansville. The ask is in excess of \$1.5 million. The County did pay a subsidy back in the 90's but Hogansville did not contribute at that time. City staff is asking Council to consider how to move forward. Council would like to go out to bid for emergency ambulance services. Council would also like to see AMR's financials and billing in the City. They would like to find out how many service calls there are in Hogansville, as opposed to the rest of the County. This may be beneficial for negotiating power. Council agrees that any subsidy should be a type performance based and response time agreement. The City will start budgeting and planning for some sort of subsidy in the upcoming budget. There will be more discussion on this item at later Work Session meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ayers adjourned the Work Session at 6:48 pm.

Respectfully,

  
LeAnn Lehigh  
City Clerk

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