

# City of Hogansville

# **City Council**

# Public Hearing & Regular Meeting Agenda

# Monday, June 5, 2023

# Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville, GA 30230

Mayor: Jake Ayers	2025	City Manager: <i>Lisa E. Kelly</i>
Council Post 1: Michael Taylor, Jr	2025	Assistant City Manager: Niles Ford
Council Post 2: Matthew Morgan	2025	City Attorney: Alex Dixon
Council Post 3: Mandy Neese*	2023	Chief of Police: Jeffrey Sheppard
Council Post 4: Mark Ayers	2023	City Clerk: <i>LeAnn Lehigh</i>
Council Post 5: Toni Striblin	2023	* Mayor Pro-Tem

#### Public Hearing - 7:00 pm

Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on the Proposed Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)

# Public Hearing - 7:00 pm Immediately Following UDO Public Hearing

Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on the Proposed 2023/2024 Budget

# Regular Meeting - Immediately Following Budget Public Hearing

- 1. Call to Order Mayor Jake Ayers
- 2. Invocation & Pledge

#### Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

1. Approval of Agenda: Regular Meeting June 5, 2023

2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting May 15, 2023

3. Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting May 15, 2023

#### Presentation

1. 2023/2024 Proposed Budget Presentation

#### Old Business

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption – Unified Development Ordinance

#### **New Business**

- 1. Approval of Utility and Financial Software
- 2. Bid Award Royal Theater Film, AV, Sound Technology

#### City Manager's Report

#### **Chief of Police Report**

#### **Council Member Reports**

- 1. Council Member Taylor
- 2. Council Member Morgan
- 3. Council Member Neese
- 4. Council Member Ayers
- Council Member Striblin

# Mayor's Report

#### Adjourn

# **Upcoming Dates & Events**

- June 15, 2023 6:00 pm | Meeting of the Hogansville Planning & Zoning Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- June 17, 2023 5:00 pm | HGVL Alive After Five in Downtown Hogansville
- June 20, 2023 10:00 am and 7:00 pm | Public Hearings to Hear Citizen Comments on the Proposed 2023/2024 Budget
- June 20, 2023 Immediately Following Public Hearing at 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall
- June 20, 2023 6:30 pm | Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission at Hogansville City Hall



# PERMANENT RECORD

#### 06/05/2023

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

# **Public Hearing**

Mayor Jake Ayers called the Public Hearing to order at 7:02pm to hear citizen comments on the proposed Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Potential resident Mr. Delaney said he was excited about the direction the City is going with the UDO. His only concern was regarding the minimum square footage for homes. Aaron Fortner with Canvas Planning answered that most cities have a minimum square footage for homes, and most communities want appropriate size housing. There are still areas where smaller homes (cottage court, accessory dwellings) are allowed. Mr. Fortner also said the UDO can be adjusted as needed.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:16 pm.

# **Public Hearing**

Mayor Jake Ayers called the Public Hearing to order at 7:16 pm to hear citizen comments on the Proposed 2023/2024 Budget. Potential resident Mr. Delaney asked about the proposed budget for demolishing buildings and how that process works and once a house is demolished, who maintains the lot? City Manager Lisa Kelly and Attorney Alex Dixon explained that it goes through several processes, including attempts through code enforcement and other administrative efforts, with the goal to have the property owners fix or demolish the properties themselves. But when the property owners won't or can't fix or demolish the structure, the City goes through abatement processes and have the structure demolished, putting a lien on the property.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:21pm.

#### Regular Meeting

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the meeting to order at 7:21 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, and Council Member Toni Striblin. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Niles Ford, Police Chief Jeff Sheppard, City Attorney Alex Dixon, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh.

Council Member Taylor gave an invocation and Mayor Ayers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion:** Council Member Ayers moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

Mayor Jake Ayers and City Manager Lisa Kelly introduced new Assistant City Manager Niles R. Ford.

# **PRESENTATION**

- 1. 2023/2024 Proposed Budget Presentation
- 2. City Manager Lisa Kelly gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed 2023/2024 budget. In the presentation, explaining some of the highlights: Increase of condemned structures to 100k, 20k budgeted for Elevations and Pioneer Youth Centers, Annex building renovations, budgeted

amounts for new Public Works equipment that is desperately needed, Police Department body cam equipment, 2 Police Department positions including vehicles and equipment, a 3% cost-of-living increase for all City employees and a not-to-exceed 5% merit increase, new utility and financial software. Ms. Kelly also mentioned that 140k would go to reimplementing payment for Fire Services, as required in the SDS agreement. There is no increase in the property tax rate and no utility rate increases.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption – Unified Development Ordinance

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Striblin to adopt the Unified Development Ordinance

(UDO). The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Discussion: None Motion Passes – 5-0

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# 1. Approval of Utility and Financial Software

**Motion:** A motion was made by Council Member Neese to approve the Utility and Financial Software through Edmunds GovTech in the startup amount of \$99,895.00, with \$77,270 due at contract signing and the remainder paid in two payments of \$11,312.50 at intervals post contract and after the software goes "live", along with a monthly amount of \$4,553.75. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor.

Discussion: None Motion Passes – 5-0

# 2. Bid Award – Royal Theater Film, AV, Sound Technology

**Motion:** A motion was made by Council Member Striblin award New Ground Group the bid for plans and drawings for the film, AV, and sound technology for the Royal Theater in the amount of \$56,900 plus additional fees for AVL Design-Bid Services. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

**Discussion:** None **Motion Passes** – **5-0** 

# **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Council Member Neese and duly seconded, Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh City Clerk