



City of Hogansville  
City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, December 2, 2024 – 7:00 pm

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

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

**Regular Meeting –7:00 pm**

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 December 2, 2024
2. Approval of Minutes: Work Session November 18, 2024
3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting November 18, 2024

**Presentations**

1. Police Department Employee Recognition – Major Marcus Rakestraw – Instructor
2. Police Department Employee Recognition– Officer JD Young – Governor’s Office of Hwy Safety Award

**Old Business**

1. Citizen Appointment – Meriwether Joint Development Authority
2. Citizen Appointment – Historic Preservation Commission

**New Business**

1. Resolution – CDBG Language Access Plan
2. Preliminary Plat – Martin’s Meadows
3. Preliminary Plat – Lee St. Townhomes

**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
5. Council Member Strickland

**Mayor's Report**

**Executive Session**

1. Litigation Exemption

**Adjourn**

**Upcoming Dates & Events**

- December 7, 2024 – 3:00 - 7:00 pm | Hogansville Winter Market – Downtown Hogansville
- December 7, 2024 – 6:00 pm | Hogansville Christmas Parade with Grand Marshalls: Michelle Malone & The Hot Toddies– Downtown Hogansville
- December 7, 2024 – 7:00 pm | Michelle Malone & The Hot Toddies & White Christmas Movie at the Royal Theater (*purchase tickets at 1937royaltheater.org*)
- December 13 & 14, 2024 – 7:00 pm | Home for the Holidays starring Peabo Bryson, Ruben Studdard, and Haley Reinhart at the Royal Theater (*purchase tickets at 1937royaltheater.org*)
- December 16, 2024 – 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall
- December 21, 2024 – 8:00 am – 10:00 am – Pajama Party Waffles With Santa at the Royal Theater, followed at 10:00am by a free showing of Polar Express
- December 24 & 25, 2024 – City Offices closed for Christmas Holiday
- January 1, 2025 – City Offices closed for New Year holiday

**Upcoming Movies at the Royal Theater**

Saturday, December 7, 2024 – 7:00 pm – White Christmas (with live pre-movie Christmas Sing Along with Michelle Malone and the Hot Toddies)  
Friday, December 20, 2024 – 7:00 pm – National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation  
Saturday, December 28, 2024 – 7:00 pm – The Wizard of Oz

Purchase tickets online at [1937royaltheater.org](http://1937royaltheater.org) or at the box office | 400 East Main Street, Hogansville, GA 30230 | (678) 326-6221

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12/02/2024

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### REGULAR MEETING

**Call to Order:** Mayor Jake Ayers called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Present were Mayor Ayers, 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 tonight's meeting.

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

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Strickland.

**Motion Carries 4-0**

### PRESENTATION

#### ***1. Police Department Employee Recognition – Major Marcus Rakestraw***

Major Rakestraw was recognized by Chief Sheppard for his certification of Instructor Level 1. Chief Sheppard explained that this is one of the hardest certifications you can get.

#### ***2. Police Department Employee Recognition – Officer JD Young – Governor's Office of Hwy Safety Award***

Officer Young recently received the Governor's Office of Highway Safety Award for Excellence of Speed Enforcement. Chief Sheppard recognized him for his efforts of reducing speeding, reducing accidents in the City and for getting dangerous narcotics off of our City streets.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### ***1. Citizen Appointment – Meriwether Joint Development Authority***

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved to table the Citizen Appointment to the Meriwether Joint Development Authority until a later meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Morgan.

**Discussion:** Council Members agreed that they would like more effort to get the word out about available commission and board applications to get more applications before appointing to those boards/committees. Current board members whose seats are up would remain on the board until Council appointments for those seats. Current applications would remain on file.

**Motion Carries 4-0**

#### ***2. Citizen Appointment – Historic Preservation Commission***

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved to table the Citizen Appointment to the Historic Preservation Commission until a later meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Morgan.

**Discussion:** Council Members agreed that they would like more effort to get the word out about available commission and board applications to get more applications before appointing to those boards/committees. Current board members whose seats are up would remain on the board until Council appointments for those seats. Current applications would remain on file.

**Motion Carries 4-0**

### NEW BUSINESS

#### ***3. Resolution – CDBG Language Access Plan***

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved to approve Resolution for the CDBG Language Access Plan. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor.

**Discussion:** None

**Motion Carries 4-0**

**4. Preliminary Plat – Martin’s Meadows**

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved to approve the Preliminary Plat for Martin’s Meadows with the conditions set in place by the Planning and Zoning Commission that requires a Development Agreement be in place before an LDP is issued. This includes sidewalks at the development that front all City roads, and completing a traffic study. The motion was seconded by Council Member Morgan.

**Discussion:** None

**Motion Carries 4-0**

**5. Preliminary Plat – Lee St. Townhomes**

**Motion:** Council Member Taylor moved to approve the Preliminary Plat for the Lee St. Townhomes, which corners Lee Street and W. Boyd Road with the conditions that a Development Agreement be in place before LDP is issued that includes traffic improvements, language for gravity feeding sewer, patch/pave length of Lee St at the development, sidewalks around the development that front City streets and prior to Site Review, lot lines must be delineated, hydrant placement and sidewalks must be on drawings. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

**Discussion:** None

**Motion Carries 4-0**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council Member Neese moved to enter into an Executive Session under the Litigation Exemption at 7:49 pm. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor.

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 8:17 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Council Member Neese and duly seconded, Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully,



LeAnn Lehigh  
City Clerk