



City of Hogansville
City Council
Public Hearing & Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday August 3, 2026 – 6:30 pm

Meeting will be held at The Royal Theater
400 E. Main Street, Hogansville, GA 30230

Mayor: Jake Ayers	2029	City Manager: Lisa E. Kelly
Council Post 1: Michael Taylor, Jr	2029	Assistant City Manager: Oasis Nichols
Council Post 2: Jason Baswell	2029	City Attorney: Alex Dixon
Council Post 3: Mandy Neese *	2027	Chief of Police: Jeffrey Sheppard
Council Post 4: Mark Ayers	2027	City Clerk: LeAnn Lehigh
Council Post 5: Kandis Strickland	2027	* Mayor Pro-Tem

PUBLIC HEARING – 6:30 pm

Public Hearing to Hear Citizen Comments on proposed text amendments to the City of Hogansville Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The proposed amendments include the creation and establishment of a Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning district, the adoption of standards and regulations for data center developments, and the establishment of procedures and requirements related to Developments of Impact.

REGULAR MEETING – FOLLOWING 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 August 3, 2026
2. Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting July 20, 2026
3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting July 20, 2026

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance – 1st Reading – UDO Text Amendments to Create & Establish Heavy Industrial (HI) Zoning District, Adoption of Standards & Regulations for Data Center Developments, and Establishment of Procedures and Requirements Related to Developments of Impact
2. Proclamation – Purple Heart Day
3. Resolution – Establishment of Checking Account “Reserve Fund – Fund 1”
4. Resolution – Establishment of Checking Account “Reserve Fund – Internal Line of Credit”

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. Council Member Taylor
2. Council Member Baswell
3. Council Member Neese
4. Council Member Ayers
5. Council Member Strickland

MAYOR’S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel Exemption

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Upcoming Dates & Events

- August 4, 2026 – 7:00 pm | Called Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- August 17, 2026 – 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall
- August 20, 2026 – 6:00 pm | Meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- August 25, 2026 – 6:00 pm | Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority at Hogansville City Hall

The Royal Theater Happenings

- Saturday, August 8, 2026 – 7:30 pm | LIVE EVENT: Departure & After School Special
- Tuesday, August 11, 2026 – 7:00 pm | MOVIE: Smokey & the Bandit - \$2 Tuesday
- Friday, August 14, 2026 – 7:00 pm | MOVIE: Scarface
- Saturday, August 15, 2026 – 4:00 pm | MOVIE: Lady & the Tramp
- Saturday, August 15, 2026 – 7:00 pm | MOVIE: School of Rock
- Friday, August 21, 2026 – 7:30 pm | LIVE EVENT: TRIBUTE: A Celebration of the Allman Brothers Band

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Meeting to be held at The Royal Theater – 400 E. Main Street, Hogansville Ga. 30230



PERMANENT RECORD

Meeting held at The Royal Theater, 400 E. Main Street, Hogansville GA 30230

August 3, 2026

PUBLIC HEARING – 6:30 PM

Mayor Ayers called the Public Hearing to Order at 6:36 pm to receive comments on the proposed Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) amendments regulating data centers. The Public Hearing was held at the Royal Theater, 400 E. Main Street, Hogansville, GA 30230.

The majority of public comments expressed opposition to data centers and raised concerns regarding the proposed ordinance. Speakers demanded a moratorium on data center development, stricter ordinances with clear setbacks, and greater transparency from the city council.

Mayor Ayers adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:47 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:58 pm. Present were Mayor Ayers, Council Member Michael Taylor, Council Member Jason Baswell, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers and Council Member Kandis Strickland. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Oasis Nichols, City Attorney Alex Dixon, City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh, and Police Chief Jeff Sheppard. The Regular Meeting was held at the Royal Theater, 400 E. Main Street, Hogansville, GA 30230.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Motion Carries 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

1. ***Ordinance – 1st Reading – UDO Text Amendments to Create & Establish Heavy Industrial (H) Zoning District, Adoption of Standards & Regulations for Data Center Developments, and Establishment of Procedures and Requirements Related to Developments of Impact***

City Attorney Alex Dixon read the 1st Reading of the Ordinance. No action was taken at tonight's meeting.

2. ***Proclamation – Purple Heart Day***

Mayor Ayers read the Proclamation recognizing Purple Heart Day on August 7, 2026.

3. ***Resolution – Establishment of Checking Account “Reserve Fund – Fund 1”***

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Strickland to approve the Resolution establishing Reserve Fund - Fund 1 Checking Account. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: None

Motion Carries 5-0

4. ***Resolution – Establishment of Checking Account “Reserve Fund – Internal Line of Credit”***

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Taylor to approve the Resolution establishing Reserve Fund – Internal Line of Credit Checking Account. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: The Line of Credit will be funded from General Fund reserves. The internal LOC to cover the remainder of the current year to avoid interest; The City plans to establish an external LOC with the bank at the start of next year. Operational requirements are expected to remain consistent with prior LOC arrangements.

Motion Carries 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel Exemption

Council Member Neese made a motion to move into Executive Session at 8:29 pm under the Personnel Exemption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Motion Carries 5-0

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 8:58 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Council Member Strickland and duly seconded, Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "LeAnn Lehigh".

LeAnn Lehigh
City Clerk