



CITY MANAGER'S

COUNCIL REPORT

City of Hogansville | David A Milliron, City Manager | 706.637.8629 | June 4, 2018

Proposed Ordinances: Staff is working on several model ordinances to put forth to the City Council in the coming weeks. They are as follows:

- Sewer Use – This will be a complete re-write of the city’s waste water ordinance to include requirements and penalties for industrial pre-treatment, among other changes;
- Storm Water Management Ordinance – Designed to establish minimum requirements and procedures to regulate the adverse effects of increased storm water runoff from developments in the City of Hogansville; to require the submission of storm water management plans, inspection and maintenance agreements; and to establish permit fees; and
- Camera-Ready Ordinance – Designed for permitting and oversight with localized permitting and fees. This is being drafted from the model Georgia Municipal Association ordinance.

Lake Jimmy Jackson/Amphitheater Projects: Staff has value-engineered the restrooms and is awaiting revised pricing. Meanwhile, Precision Planning, Inc. has revised the bid documents and is preparing them for staff review and release for bidding.

CDBG 2017: A pre-construction conference was held with the contractor for the FY2017 Water and Sewer project. Crawford Grading expects to commence work on or about August 1, 2018.

CDBG 2019: Staff is currently soliciting inquiries from qualified firms to perform grant writing and administration of a proposed federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for the FY2019 cycle. The goal is to make application and seek federal dollars to help address the low-water pressure issues on the west end of the city. In conjunction with these efforts, staff is also soliciting inquiries from qualified engineering firms to perform the necessary engineering reports that must be submitted with any application approved by the City Council.

Elm Street Bridge Replacement (FEMA Project 147): The Request for Proposal to solicit sealed bids is currently posted for the Elm Street Bridge replacement project. Bids are due back at City Hall by 11 am on June 19, 2018. It is estimated the bridge will be closed to pedestrian and vehicular traffic for approximately 30 days during construction. This is from the December 2015 flood and includes damage to the Elm Street bridge headwall, scours and the loss of stream bed material on the downstream side of the bridge, structural damage to the bridge and guard rail, etc.

FEMA Projects: The engineer of record on the project had finalized all ground work and is preparing the necessary bid documents on the outstanding FEMA projects from the December 2015 flooding. They include:

- Project 118: Flood damage to bridge on West Boyd and drainage ditch behind Mack Reynolds
- Project 120: Poplar Street - washed out asphalt, washed out clay, excessive damage to drainage pipe
- Project 150: Green Avenue - subgrantee sustained damages on Green Avenue

101 College Street: The property owner has informed staff they are getting close to securing the funds necessary to move forward with the demolition and ultimate construction of a multi-story mixed use development in historic Downtown Hogansville. Meanwhile, Code Compliance is moving forward with its condemnation efforts and has kept the property owner apprised of such efforts.

Waste Water Treatment Plant: This involves construction of a new waste water treatment plant utilizing some of the existing infrastructure at a cost of \$8.706M. The USDA loan for \$2.581M at 2.125% has been approved but staff is now waiting for the city's bond insurer (Assured Guaranty) to provide consent to incur the additional debt. Assured Guaranty has conveyed to staff that it is reviewing the bond resolution and addressing internal questions on the city's request. Meanwhile, the engineer of record states the contractor of record may not be able to hold pricing for much longer. The project calls for a USDA grant of \$2.5M coupled with a \$1.6M contribution from Meriwether County (for 25 percent ownership in the plant), which puts the non-repayable portion of the project at \$4.606M less any additional grants or loan forgiveness. Staff is also working with the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority to shore up interim gap financing for the project.

815 East Main Street: The property owner has failed to obtain the necessary building permits within the designated time period as established by the court order. Therefore, the city is proceeding with issuing a request for proposal to secure bids for a contractor to demolish the residence, the cost of which to be assigned back to the property owner in the form of a lien.

Upcoming City Manager Training/Travel

June 5-7 - Certified Public Manager (Macon)

June 8 - Joint Meeting with Meriwether County (Greenville)

June 11 - Weekly Public Works Supervisors, Administration Meeting

June 12 - Georgia Certified Economic Developer Program | Retail & Downtown Development (Rome)

June 13 - DASH Meeting/Revitalization and Transformation Plan

June 13 - Joint Mayors/City Managers Luncheon w/ Troup County Chairman/County Manager (LaGrange)

June 14 - Troup County Center for Strategic Planning, Inc. (LaGrange)

June 15 - Tentative Joint Meeting w/ Liberty Utilities/Meriwether County/City of Manchester

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