

City of Hogansville City Council

Work Session Meeting Agenda

Monday, February 19, 2024 – 5:30 pm

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

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

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Royal Theater Change Orders
 - (a) Balcony Restrooms
 - (b) Water Mitigation
- 2. Lake Jimmy Jackson LCWF Grant
- 3. AMR Local Housing Location
- 4. Town Hall Meeting Scheduling



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Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Work Session to order at 5:34 pm. Present were Mayor Jake Ayers, Council Member Michael Taylor, Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, 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.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Royal Theater Change Orders
- a) Balcony Restrooms

A change order is needed for the Royal Theater renovation for the upstairs restrooms. The existing tiles in both upstairs restrooms were not able to be reused. The change order would completely renovate both restrooms with brand new tiles. The amount of the change order is \$13,643 for both restrooms. Council is asked to take action at tonight's regular meeting.

b) Water Mitigation

During the last heavy rainstorm, certain areas of the Royal Theater indicated water leaks. The exact areas of the leaks are not known but seem to be affected at and around the projection room. There is concern that if not fixed correctly the renovations being done would be damaged. The City is requesting a change order in a not-to-exceed amount of \$7,500 for the consulting firm, Williamson & Associates, to conduct a leak evaluation of the building exterior in order to find the leaks. Council is asked to take action at tonight's regular meeting on this item.

2. Lake Jimmy Jackson – LCWF Grant

The City currently has funding through Land & Water Conservation Grant in the amount of \$87,500, with a \$87,500 match that must be completed by December 31, 2024. The December 31 deadline is the second extension requested by the City. Due to deficiencies found at Lake Jimmy Jackson by NRCS and Safe Dams involving the spillway, the timeframe to complete the processes of fixing the issues found is not possible. Dirt that was removed from the beach area years ago affected part of the spillway. The dirt has to be removed and a berm has to be replaced. Completion of phase II construction and the Engineering plans must be approved by NRCS, which will take time. Staff is asking Council to withdraw from the existing grant of \$87,500 (with a match of \$87,500) and reapply for the grant next year, being able to then ask for additional funding to complete phase II of the project.

3. AMR - Local Housing Location

Chief Sheppard has been approached by AMR, who would possibly like to move one of their stations to the basement of the Hogansville Police Department. This would give a dedicated 24-hour station in Hogansville and would greatly reduce response times. It would not hinder space at the Police Department. AMR could rent four rooms downstairs in the basement in the amount of \$1200-\$1500/month, with utilities included. The extra space comes with the Court Clerk and her staff moving to the annex building at the end of March 2024. If Council is in agreement, AMR would take the request to their corporate office for approval. Council agrees with moving forward with the request.

4. Town Hall Meeting Scheduling

Council would like to hold quarterly purpose-driven Town Hall meetings in different areas of the City, beginning with a first quarter meeting possibly at the Active Life Center. They could be called something other than Town Halls. Possibly Chats with Council? Other locations could include the Greenpatch, local churches, Lake Jimmy Jackson, etc and use them as a public education/outreach that also gives residents the ability to express concerns about various issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the Work Session at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh

City Clerk