



City of Hogansville
City Council
Work Session Meeting Agenda
Monday, March 4, 2024 – 5:30 pm

Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall

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

WORK SESSION – 5:30 pm

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Playground Options for Strozier Park
2. Connection Fees
3. Financial Services



03/04/2024

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

Work Session Meeting

Call to Order: Mayor Pro-Tem Michael Taylor called the Work Session to order at 5:42 pm. Present were Mayor Pro-Tem Michael Taylor, 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. Mayor Jake Ayers and Council Member Matthew Morgan were not present at tonight's meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Playground Options for Strozier Park

The old playground at Strozier Park had to be removed due to it being unsafe. Council had requested at previous meetings to replace it as soon as possible. Assistant City Manager Niles Ford brought four different playground options to Council. The playground that was the largest and had the fastest shipping and installation time was Playground Boss (Playtime) at a cost of \$120,893. It would be installed before the splash pad would open for the summer. Council feels it is the best option for the money. Council would also like to see covered benches installed around the playground as well. This item is on the Regular Meeting agenda, and Council has agreed to ask for a not-to-exceed amount of \$130k to include the playground and benches at the Regular Meeting tonight.

2. Connection Fees

City Manager Lisa Kelly explained the request for the new connection fees that would establish appropriate connection fees for utility service based on zones that were mapped out by Turnipseed Engineers. This item was discussed in detail at the Mayor/Council retreat. The Resolution for the new connection fees is an item on the Regular Meeting tonight.

3. Financial Services

City Manager Lisa Kelly initiated a call a few weeks ago to Davenport & Company for financial services. Davenport was the financial advisor who put together the most recent bond deal and the City is still contracted with this firm. The City is looking for a financial road map for future planning. The original estimate came in at \$7,500 to create a five-year update. This item was discussed in detail at the retreat and council made a request to add additional review items for that dollar amount, to include review of Charles Abbott and Associates contract, Enterprise Lease, prospective uses for the sprayfield, and ECG's most recent rate study. Davenport agreed to this additional review and staff is recommending Council to approve the item at tonight's meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Taylor adjourned the Work Session at 6:34 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh
City Clerk

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