



City of Hogansville  
**City Council**  
**Regular Meeting Agenda**  
**Monday, December 1, 2025 – 7:00 pm**

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

Mayor: <i>Jake Ayers</i>	2029	City Manager: <i>Lisa E. Kelly</i>
Council Post 1: <i>Michael Taylor, Jr</i>	2029	Assistant City Manager: <i>Oasis Nichols</i>
Council Post 2: <i>Jason Baswell</i>	2029	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 1, 2025
2. Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting November 17, 2025
3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting November 17, 2025

**CITIZEN APPEARANCE**

1. Ila Burdette to Discuss Public Information Regarding Data Center
2. Paula Darden to Discuss Effects of Data Center on Hightower Rd Residents
3. Cyndie Hutchings to Discuss Her Story of the Effects of Data Centers in a Community

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Preliminary Platt Approval – Jones Crossing Phase 3
2. Surplus Vehicles

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

**ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

**COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

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

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

**ADJOURN**

**Upcoming Dates & Events**

- December 2, 2025 – 7:00 pm | Town Hall to Discuss Data Centers at the Royal Theater
- December 6, 2025 – 6:00 pm | Hogansville Christmas Parade “A Fairytale Christmas”
- December 15, 2025 – 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall
- December 18, 2025 – 6:00 pm | Meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- December 20, 2025 – 8am – 10am | Waffles with Santa at the Royal Theater followed by “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” (FREE)

**The Royal Theater Happenings September 2025**

- Friday, December 5, 2025 – 7:00 pm | MOVIE: Pretty Woman
- Saturday, December 6, 2025 – 4:00 pm | FREE MOVIE: TBD
- Saturday, December 13, 2025 – 7:00 pm | LIVE EVENT & MOVIE: Michelle Malone & The Hot Toddlies followed by National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation
- Sunday, December 14, 2025 – 3:00 pm | LIVE LOCAL EVENT: Grief, Grudges & Guilt
- Friday, December 19, 2025 – 7:00 pm | MOVIE: Home Alone
- Saturday, December 20, 2025 – 8am-10am | FREE EVENT: Waffles and a MOVIE with Santa “How the Grinch Stole Christmas”

**Purchase tickets online [1937royaltheater.org](https://1937royaltheater.org) or call the box office 706-955-4870**

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**REGULAR MEETING**

**December 1, 2025**

Mayor Jake Ayers called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 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, Asst. Police Chief James Vincent, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh. Police Chief Jeff Sheppard was not present at tonight's meeting.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion:** Council Member Strickland moved to amend the Consent Agenda, adding item number 4 under Citizen Appearance – Chance Williams to Discuss Data Centers. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

**Motion Carries 5-0**

**Motion:** Council Member Strickland moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

**Motion Carries 5-0**

**CITIZEN APPEARANCE**

***1. Ila Burdette to Discuss Public Information Regarding Data Centers***

Ms. Burdette expressed frustration regarding the lack of formal presentation for the proposed data center project on Hightower Road.

***2. Paula Darden to Discuss Effects of Data Center on Hightower Road Residents***

Ms. Darden explained that she is opposed to industrializing rural residential areas, citing noise, constant humming generators, and light pollution.

***3. Cyndie Hutchings to Discuss Her Story of the Effects of Data Centers in a Community***

Ms. Hutchings explained her past experience with the data center in Fayette County, citing health risks and environmental damage. She noted the short lifespan of data centers (10-15 years) versus long-term environmental harm.

***4. Chance Williams to Discuss Data Centers***

Mr. Williams criticized the city for favoring large corporations with tax breaks over small businesses. Mr. Williams formally requested a change to the city charter to allow Troup County residents living just outside city limits—but affected by city decisions—to vote for the Mayor and City Council.

**NEW BUSINESS**

***1. Preliminary Plat Approval – Jones Crossing Phase 3***

**Motion:** Council Member Taylor moved to table this item until a future meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Baswell.

**Discussion:** None

**Motion Carries 5-0**

***2. Surplus Vehicles***

**Motion:** Council Member Neese moved to approve surplus of the Police Fleet Vehicle - 2021 Chevrolet Traverse with last four vin numbers 7285. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

**Discussion:** Asst. Police Chief Vincent explained that the Police Department is asking Council to surplus the 2021 Chevrolet Traverse so it can be sold to another agency with all upfitting, which offers the best financial benefit.

**Motion Carries 5-0**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Council Member Neese and duly seconded, Mayor Ayers adjourned the meeting at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'LeAnn Lehigh', written in a cursive style.

LeAnn Lehigh  
City Clerk