City of Hogansville

City Council

Work Session Meeting

Monday, October 19, 2026 – 6:00 pm

MEETING WILL BE HELD AT HOGANSVILLE CITY HALL
111 HIGH 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

WORK SESSION – 6:00 PM

BUSINESS

1. Presentation – Above the Cloud A/V & Security
2. Proposed Fee Schedule Adoption
3. Discussion/Next Steps of UDO Text Amendments Regarding Heavy Industrial (HI) Zoning District, Standards & Regulations for Data Center Developments, and Procedures and Requirements Related to Developments of Impact

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

WORK SESSION

October 19, 2026

Call to Order: The Work Session began at 6:02 p.m.

Attendance: Mayor Jake Ayers; Council Members Michael Taylor, Jr., Jason Baswell, Mandy Neese, Mark Ayers, and Kandis Strickland; City Manager Lisa E. Kelly; Assistant City Manager Oasis Nichols; City Attorney Alex Dixon; Chief of Police Jeffrey Sheppard; City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh; and City Deputy Clerk Stephanie Savage were present. Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., arrived at 6:17 p.m.

BUSINESS

1. Presentation - Above the Cloud A/V & Security

Representatives of Above the Cloud A/V & Security presented information on audio/visual and security systems for City parks, the lake, and City buildings, including A/V equipment at the Annex Building. Discussion included expandable A/V systems, warranty support, an ongoing partnership with the city, and a phased approach to implementation.

2. Proposed Fee Schedule Adoption

Council discussed proposed fee schedule changes, including inspection fees, preliminary plat review fees, dedicated lift station review fees, final plat and as-built review, and water and sewer fees. Discussion included fees that were not currently assessed and review fees that did not cover costs. Council Member Jason Baswell asked about previous changes to the schedule. City Manager Lisa Kelly stated that it had been some time since the fee schedule was changed. The proposed fee schedule was identified as an action item for the Regular Meeting.

3. Discussion and Next Steps for UDO Text Amendments

Council discussed Heavy Industrial (HI) zoning, data center standards, development impacts, permitted uses, cryptocurrency-related uses, special use permits, and legal concerns regarding the proposed ordinance.

City Attorney Alex Dixon explained that Planning and Zoning, with five members present and two absent, recommended removing data center regulations and the definitions of data centers and cryptocurrency mining. He stated that removing these provisions would require revisions and delay the process, and that the ordinance had been drafted to protect the City.

Council Members Jason Baswell, Mandy Neese, and Mark Ayers supported moving forward for a vote. Council Members Michael Taylor, Jr. and Kandis Strickland raised legal concerns.

Mayor Jake Ayers directed that the final draft, as written, be placed under New Business for discussion at the Regular Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Work Session adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully,

Stephanie Savage

Stephanie Savage
Deputy City Clerk