



City of Hogansville
City Council
Work Session Meeting Agenda
Monday, June 5, 2023 – 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: Niles Ford
Council Post 2: <i>Matthew Morgan</i>	2025	City Attorney: <i>Alex Dixon</i>
Council Post 3: <i>Mandy Neese*</i>	2023	Chief of Police: <i>Jeffrey Sheppard</i>
Council Post 4: <i>Mark Ayers</i>	2023	City Clerk: <i>LeAnn Lehigh</i>
Council Post 5: <i>Toni Striblin</i>	2023	* Mayor Pro-Tem

WORK SESSION – 5:30 pm

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Proposed 2023/2024 Budget
2. Royal Theater



06/05/2023

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

Work Session Meeting

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Work Session to order at 5:36 pm. Present were Mayor Jake Ayers, Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, and Council Member Toni Striblin. Also present were City Manager Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager Niles Ford, Police Chief Jeff Sheppard, City Attorney Alex Dixon and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Royal Theater

City Manager Lisa Kelly explained that the City solicited bids for the drawings and plans for the film, AV, and lighting design for the Royal Theater. They received three quotes. Magna Tech Electronics out of Florida with a proposed fee of \$17,775 plus travel, SSOE Group out of Atlanta with a proposed fee of \$61,400+, and New Ground Group out of Grantville/Newnan/Fayetteville, GA with a proposed fee of \$56,900 plus additional fees for AVL Design-Bid Services. New Ground Group has come several times to the theater to help determine the needs for the technology needed and are ready to work with Principle Construction to get the red-line drawings quickly before construction begins on June 10, 2023. Staff recommends New Ground Group as they are the only consultants who are able to work within the construction timeline and can work with the architect and construction contractor to minimize change orders that could save money down the road.

2. Discussion of Proposed 2023/2024 Budget

City Manager Lisa Kelly gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed 2023/2024 budget. In the presentation, explaining some of the highlights: Increase of condemned structures to 100k, 20k budgeted for Elevations and Pioneer Youth Centers, Annex building renovations, budgeted amounts for new Public Works equipment that is desperately needed, Police Department body cam equipment, 2 Police Department positions including vehicles and equipment, a 3% cost-of-living increase for all City employees and a not-to-exceed 5% merit increase, new utility and financial software. Ms. Kelly also mentioned that 140k would go to reimplementing payment for Fire Services, as required in the SDS agreement. There is no increase in the property tax rate and no utility rate increases. There will be a Public Hearing before the Council Meeting tonight at 7pm, and Public Hearings on June 20 at 10am and 7pm to hear citizen comments on the proposed budget.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the Work Session at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh
City Clerk

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