



City of Hogansville  
**City Council**  
Work Session Meeting Agenda  
**Monday, June 3, 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. 3-Way Stop at Winslett Drive and East Boyd Road
2. '23-'24 Budget Amendment- Community Development Director
3. Hogansville Municipal Court Parking Agreement- First Baptist Church
4. Budget Discussion



06/03/2024

*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 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 Jeffrey Sheppard, and City Clerk LeAnn Lehigh.

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

##### ***1. 3-Way Stop at Winslett Drive and East Boyd Road***

City Manager Lisa Kelly and Police Chief Jeff Sheppard are requesting a 3-way stop at Winslett Drive and East Boyd Road due to the amount of speeding in the area. The curve on W. Boyd Rd does not allow enough site distance to run radar. The area is also not good for speed humps/tables. Officer Vincent put out a data collector/speed sign for 14 days to collect speed data from May 20 – June 3. The top speed was 91 mph in the 35mph zone. The average speed of the vehicles from the speed data collector was 49 mph in the 35mph zone. There have been numerous complaints from residents in the area regarding the speeding. Council is good with adding the 3-way stop. There will need to be a 30-day notice before the stop signs are added and 30-day warning period before citations can be issued.

##### ***2. '23-'24 Budget Amendment – Community Development Director***

City staff is asking for a budget amendment in the amount of \$2,880 to hire a new Community Development Director that will train with Lynne Miller until her retirement at the end of the year. This will cover payroll for the position until the new budget begins July 1. This item is on the Regular Meeting Agenda for approval tonight.

##### ***3. Hogansville Municipal Court Parking Agreement – First Baptist Church***

Chief Sheppard had talked to the Pastor of First Baptist Church regarding the use of the church parking lot for municipal court on Fridays once a month. Somehow, it did not get communicated to other church staff and they were complaining about parking. First Baptist Church is offering an agreement with the City for using the parking lot, asking for the court schedule and asking for officers to monitor the parking lots. This item is on the regular meeting agenda for approval tonight.

##### ***4. Budget Discussion***

City Manager Lisa Kelly went over the budget highlights. Revenue has increased from property taxes, new developments – construction and renovations. Also included in the budget increase is revenue from the new RedSpeed cameras that will be installed in front of the elementary school. There were also increases in fines and forfeitures due to growth.

For expenses, there is an estimated 10% increase in City property and liability insurances. An estimated 4% increase in medical premiums, the City is asking for a budgeted 3.2% COLA and merit increases less than 5%. The City is waiting on the AMR subsidy amount, but has estimated it based on a “best guess” amount of \$425k, which is on the high side.

New department has been added in the budget – Annex/Court Department. The budget also allows for 5 new Police Department positions, including adding a traffic officer. Also requested in the budget is an amount for glass to be installed at the Customer Service area at Hogansville City Hall for safety, repeater/radio systems for the public works and customer service, and a metal storage building for public works.

The estimated transfer to the general fund is \$828,139 due to the AMR subsidy estimate.

There is a public hearing before the meeting tonight at 7pm, as well as public hearings on 6/17 at 10am and 7pm to hear citizen comments on the proposed budget. Adoption of the budget will be on the Regular meeting on 6/17.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ayers adjourned the Work Session at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully,



LeAnn Lehigh  
City Clerk