



City of Hogansville

City Council

Work Session Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 15, 2026 – 5:30 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

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BUSINESS

1. Discussion of the 2026/2027 Proposed Budget



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Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Work Session to order at 5:36 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 Clerk LeAnn Lehigh, City Attorney Alex Dixon, and Police Chief Jeff Sheppard.

1) Discussion of the 2026/2027 Proposed Budget

A significant portion of the discussion focused on sanitation services. Council reviewed vendor proposals, the department's ongoing operating losses, potential rate increases, and options for implementing a city recycling program. Staff will continue evaluating service providers, customer rate impacts, and recycling alternatives before making recommendations.

Council also discussed the proposed Deputy City Clerk position, future separation of City Clerk and Human Resources functions, and employee compensation adjustments, including Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) options. Additional information was requested regarding staffing costs, organizational structure, and long-term workforce planning.

Council paused the Work Session meeting at 6:15 for the scheduled Public Hearing to hear citizen comments on the proposed 2026/2027 budget. The Work Session meeting was reconvened at 6:16 pm.

Other topics of discussion included nonprofit funding requests, event support, playground shade improvements, and the use of discretionary project funds. Staff was directed to provide additional financial projections, sanitation rate scenarios, recycling cost estimates, nonprofit funding information, compensation models, and project cost estimates for future Council consideration.

Mayor Ayers adjourned the Work Session at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully,

LeAnn Lehigh
City Clerk