

City Auditorium, 102 N Second Street, Cochran, GA 31014

City Council

Billy Yeomans, Mayor
Rufus Veal, Council Member
(District 2, Post 2)
Carla Coley, Council Member
(District 2 Post 1)
Gary Ates, Council Member
(District 1, Post 2)
Jimmy Jones, Council Member
(District 3, Post 2)
Andrew Lemmon, Council Member
(District 3, Post 1)
Keith Anderson, Council Member
(District 1, Post 1)

City Staff

Richard Newbern, City Manager Tracy Jones, City Clerk Jim Elliott, City Attorney

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- I. Call to Order by the Mayor
- **II.** Invocation
- **III.** Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Attendance
- V. Adopt Agenda/Minutes

VI. Agenda Items

ITEM #1- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Employee of the Quarter NO ACTION

ITEM #2- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider appointing a member of the Planning Commission to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Ray Knighton. APPROVED

ITEM #3- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider amending the FY 2023/24 budget to allocate matching funds for the 2023 CDBG grant award. APPROVED

ITEM #4- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider allocating funds from the City's ARPA budget to help finance the rehabilitation costs of the CHIP-financed home improvements at 175 Johnson Street. APPROVED

ITEM #5- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving the City Holiday Schedule of Calendar Year 2024. APPROVED

ITEM #6- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving proposed speed bumps on Jessup Street. APPROVED

ITEM #7- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider setting program regulations for the City's ARPA-funded roof, windows and doors program. MOVED TO January MEETING

ITEM #8- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider the purchase of a pick-up truck in the Public Works Department. APPROVED

ITEM #9- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving the Language Access Plan (L.A.P.) that is a requirements of the City's 2023 CDBG project APPROVED

ITEM #10- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving a contract with Dependable Home Inspections from Thomas, GA to perform inspections of houses eligible for the 2024 CDBG grant application. APPROVED

ITEM #11- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider appointing a committee to meet with County Commissioner for SPLOST referendum APPROVED

ITEM #12- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider paving Berkley Road with road SPLOST funds APPROVED

Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

- ♦ Regularly Scheduled City Council Work Session Tuesday, January 9, 2024 @ 6:00 pm
- ♦ Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting January 9, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

VII. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates

VIII. Council Discussion Items

IX. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

X. Public Comments (Please note that every individual who signs up to speak prior to the meeting will be given a total of 3 minutes to address the Mayor and Council.

XI.

A. Meeting to discuss pending or potential litigation with legal counsel and to discuss or vote on settlement provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1).

- B. Meeting to discuss or vote on authorizing negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A § 50-14-3(b)(1).
 - C. Meeting to discuss or vote on the acquisition, disposition or lease of real estate by the city O.C.G.A §50-14-3(b)(1).
- **D.** Meeting to discuss hiring, compensation, evaluation, or disciplinary action for a specific public officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A §50-14-3(b)(2).
- E. Meeting to discuss or interview an applicant to be executive head of a department O.C.G.A.§ 50-14-3(b)(1).
 F. Meeting to discuss records that are exempt from disclosure 50-14-3(b)(4).