



**POST AGENDA**  
**Cochran City Council**  
**Tuesday, August 13, 2024**  
**Regular Meeting @ 7:00**

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

**City Council**

**City Staff**

Billy Yeomans, Mayor	Richard Newbern, City Manager
Keith Anderson, Council Member <i>(District 1, Post 1)</i>	Candace Summerall, City Clerk
Gary Ates, Council Member <i>(District 1, Post 2)</i>	Jim Elliott, City Attorney
Carla Coley, Council Member <i>(District 2 Post 1)</i>	
Lonnie Tedders, Council Member <i>(District 2, Post 2)</i>	
Andrew Lemmon, Council Member <i>(District 3, Post 1)</i>	
Shane Savant, Council Member <i>(District 3, Post 2)</i>	

- I. Call to Order by the Mayor
- II. Invocation
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Attendance

- V. Adopt Agenda/Minutes
1. Adopt Agenda Regular Session 08/13/2024
  2. Adopt Minutes Regular Session 07/09/2024
  3. Adopt Minutes Work Session 07/09/2024
  4. Adopt Minutes Retreat Mar 14-16 2024

VI. Agenda Items

1. Presentation by Georgia Association of Water Professionals  
No vote required - informational item.

2. Presentation to Firefighters  
No vote required - recognition item.

3. Public Hearing on Annexation Petition from Paulk Investment Properties, LLC/ Casey Paulk Parcel # B37A-189A

Action: Motion by Council Member Ates, seconded by Council Member Savant, to approve the annexation of the 2.5 acre tract on Mac Thompson Road.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

4. Public Hearing on Zoning Request from Paulk Investment Properties, LLC/ Casey Paulk Parcel # B37A-189A

Action: Motion by Council Member Ates, seconded by Council Member Tedders, to approve R-1 zoning for the newly annexed 2.5 acre property.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

5. Mac Thompson Road Resurfacing Bid

Action: Motion by Council Member Tedders, seconded by Council Member Savant, to award a \$381,445 bid to The Scruggs Company for resurfacing Mac Thompson Road.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

6. CHIP Housing Rehabilitation Grant

Action: Motion by Council Member Savant, seconded by Council Member Ates, to accept the \$500,000 HUD CHIP grant for housing rehabilitation.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

7. CHIP Grant Compliance Documents

Action: Motion by Council Member Ates, seconded by Council Member Anderson, to approve various required compliance documents for the CHIP grant.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

8. DDA Board Appointment

Action: Motion by Council Member Savant, seconded by Council Member Tedders, to appoint Chris Carney to a four-year term on the Downtown Development Authority board.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

9. FirstNet Communications Proposal

Action: Motion by Council Member Savant, seconded by Council Member Ates, to award the contract to FirstNet for phones and communication services.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

10. GM-GIRMA Safety Grant Application

No formal vote taken. Council agreed by consensus to allow staff to apply for the grant.

11. Water Testing Contract

Action: Motion by Council Member Tedders, seconded by Council Member Ates, to contract with M.E. Sack Engineering for \$42,000 per year to conduct required water quality testing.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

12. Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Amendment

Action: Motion by Council Member Ates, seconded by Council Member Tedders, to amend the alcoholic beverage ordinance regarding distance requirements between package stores.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

13. Approval of Strategic Plan

Action: Motion by Council Member Ates, seconded by Council Member Anderson, to approve the city's strategic plan.

Vote: Passed unanimously (4-0)

VII. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates

VIII. Council Discussion/Items

IX. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

1. Next Work Session - Tuesday, September 10, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
2. Next Regular Council Meeting - Tuesday, September 10, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

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. Executive Session (if needed)

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).