



POST AGENDA

April 8, 2025

Cochran City Council

Regular Session @ 6:00 PM

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

City Council

City Staff

Billy Yeomans, Mayor	Richard Newbern, City Manager
VACANT (District 1, Post 1)	Candace Summerall, City Clerk
Gary Ates, Council Member (District 1, Post 2)	Jim Elliott, City Attorney
Carla Coley, Council Member (District 2 Post 1)	
Lonnie Tedders, Council Member (District 2, Post 2)	
VACANT (District 3, Post 1)	
Shane Savant, Council Member (District 3, Post 2)	

I. Call to Order by the Mayor

II. Invocation -

III. Pledge of Allegiance -

IV. Attendance -

V. Adopt Agenda/Minutes

1. Minutes from March 11, 2025 Regular Council Meeting - APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Agenda for April 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting - APPROVED WITH TWO ADDITIONS:
 - o ADDED ITEM 8: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE REGARDING ROOF, WINDOWS, AND DOORS GRANT PROGRAM - APPROVED 3-2 (IN FAVOR: TEDDERS, COLEY, SAVANT; AGAINST: ATEs)
 - o ADDED ITEM 9: NAACP JUNETEENTH PARADE ROUTE REQUEST - APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
 - o FINAL AMENDED AGENDA - APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

VI. Public Comments

A. Viktor Patel - **CONCERNS EXPRESSED REGARDING WATER METER ISSUES, CITY COMMUNICATION, AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

B. Melissa Barker (Chamber of Commerce) - **REQUESTED DEVELOPMENT OF BLIGHT ORDINANCES AND ANNOUNCED UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS**

C. Luis Sayers - **REQUESTED CITY ASSISTANCE WITH HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS CAUSING PROBLEMS NEAR HIS PROPERTY**

VII. Agenda Items

1. Dianne Lester - Swearing-in Ceremony - **OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED BY CITY CLERK SUMMERALL**
2. Proclamation for National Public Health Week - **PROCLAMATION READ BY MAYOR YEOMANS DECLARING APRIL 7-13, 2025 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK**
3. Proclamation for Georgia Cities Week - **PROCLAMATION READ BY MAYOR YEOMANS DECLARING APRIL 20-26, 2025 AS GEORGIA CITIES WEEK**
4. Public Hearing on Text Amendment - **POSTPONED; WILL BE RE-ADVERTISED FOR MAY 5TH PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**
5. Consideration of Award of Bids on Engineering Services for the Airport - **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD BID TO HOLT CONSULTING**
6. Discussion of Appointing Two Members to the Planning Commission - **TABLED UNTIL APRIL 28TH MEETING TO VERIFY NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST - APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
7. Distribution of the Draft FY 2025/26 City Budget - **BUDGET DISTRIBUTED BY CITY MANAGER**
8. Discussion and Possible Vote Regarding Roof, Window, and Doors Grant Program - **MOTION TO REALLOCATE \$324,000 TO MUNICIPAL BUILDING RENOVATION FAILED 2-3 (LESTER ABSTAINED IN FAVOR: COLEY, SAVANT; AGAINST: ATES, TEDDERS, MAYOR YEOMANS TIEBREAKER)**
9. NAACP Juneteenth Parade Route Request - **DEFERRED UNTIL APPLICATION COMPLETED**

VIII. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates

IX. Council/Mayor Discussion/Items

X. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

- Runoff Election District 1: April 15th, 7 AM-7 PM
- Budget Work Session: Monday, April 28th at 6 PM
- Next Work Session: Thursday, May 8th at 6 PM
- Next Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 13th at 6 PM
- Planning Commission Meeting: Monday, May 5th at 6:30 PM

XI. Executive Session - NOT HELD

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM