



POST AGENDA

December 4, 2025

Cochran City Council

Work Session 6:00 PM

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

City Council

City Staff

Billy Yeomans, Mayor	Richard Newbern, City Manager
Trecia Gardner (District 1, Post 1)	Tiffany Lampp, Interim 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)	
Dianne Lester (District 3, Post 1)	
Shane Savant, Council Member (District 3, Post 2)	

- I. Call to Order by the Mayor @ 6:00 PM**
- II. Invocation** by Councilwomen Coley
- III. Pledge of Allegiance** by Councilwomen Lester
- IV. Attendance-** Mayor absent All Councilmembers Present.
 1. Confirmed receipt of a \$314,000 USDA grant for fire station renovations, along with updates on fire safety education tools and initiatives.
 2. Heard Public Works updates on water system issues, recent repairs, and ongoing maintenance and infrastructure needs.
 3. Reviewed major engineering and capital projects, including park improvements, drainage work, and long-term water and sewer planning.
 4. Considered and rejected the GDOT/Atlas multi-use path proposal due to cost, directing focus toward more practical local alternatives.
 5. Discussed solid waste service bids, emphasizing customer service quality and reliability.
 6. Reviewed a proposal to restructure building inspections to retain permit revenue and reduce liability exposure.
 7. Received detailed budget and audit updates, including the need for a FY 2024–25 budget amendment.
 8. Discussed AMI metering, with council directing staff to prioritize water meters over gas meters.
 9. Reviewed upcoming grant opportunities (CHIP and CDBG) and next steps.

10. Discussed council retreat planning and technology needs for elected officials.
11. Approved a parade route request.
12. Concluded with recognition of staff efforts during short staffing, holiday well-wishes, and adjournment.