

February 2, 2018

Citizens of North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Citizens:

City Council will be focusing on the future of the City of North Augusta in a two day planning meeting. Council will meet in the Community Center, 495 Brookside Drive on Thursday, February 8th and Friday, February 9th. These sessions begin at 8:45 a.m. and are open to the public.

The focus of the meetings is twofold; to identify future needs and how to meet them.

There is evidence everywhere that the City is experiencing rapid residential and commercial growth, and not solely in Riverside Village. Identifying the need now for additional City services in the future being generated by this growth is important. That knowledge will provide the basis for decisions the Council will face regarding our facilities, equipment, and personnel.

Capital Projects Sales Tax IV (CPST IV) will be a county-wide item on the November 2018 ballot. The revenues the City receives from this initiative are essentially the sole source of revenues for large projects throughout the City.

We are at an early stage of the CPST IV process, and revenues projected to come to the City are still being developed by the County.

During **EnVision 2018**, City Council members will study and discuss capital projects. A tentative prioritization of the projects will likely become apparent, even if there will not be a formal vote.

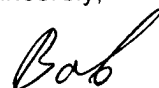
To facilitate resident input to the process, a public meeting will be held Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center. At this meeting, there will be a discussion of the projects under consideration and an opportunity for attendees to informally prioritize the projects, according to their wishes.

Creating a Vision statement for North Augusta has been discussed for some time. The Vision statement and the Comprehensive Plan would guide strategic planning decisions.

This meeting seems a fitting time to begin creating a Vision for the future. Attendees will have the chance to informally present their ideas to be incorporated into the Vision statement and identify specific goals and objectives to move toward achieving the Vision.

This will be a good opportunity to engage in discussions about the future of North Augusta. See you there.

Sincerely,



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Mayor

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