

# AMENDED Agenda



## CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING CORDELE CITY HALL – COURTROOM FEBRUARY 21, 2023

**The Honorable Joshua Deriso**  
Chairman

**The Honorable Vesta Beal Shephard**  
*Ward 1*

**The Honorable Isaac H. Owens**  
*Ward 3*

**The Honorable Royce Reeves, Sr.**  
*Vice Chair - Ward 2*

**The Honorable Wesley Rainey**  
*Ward 4*

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### REGULAR MEETING 9:00 AM

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

#### ROLL CALL

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – February 21, 2023

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – February 7, 2023

#### PUBLIC HEARING

**ARTICLE VI. USE PROVISIONS BY DISTRICT:** Section 660.3 Area regulations: Maximum Height: 45 ft. This request is for a variance to accommodate a 100-foot building height. The City Codes' regulations maximum building height is forty-five (45) feet. The building will be used as a storage warehouse for agricultural commodities for distribution. The site consists of seventy (70) acres and is zoned (HI), Heavy Industrial District. The Crisp County-Cordele Industrial Development Authority is the property owner and applicant.

**SPEAKERS APPEARANCES:** Speakers will have 5 minutes

- a. Mr. Don Cole: Adoption of Agenda and City Charter

**SPEAKERS ON A SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEM:** Speakers will have 3 minutes

**PRESENTATION** – Embrace Civility: Freddie Broome, Director of Equity and Inclusion from Georgia Municipal Association (GMA)

**DEPARTMENT HEADS GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

1. Finance Director
2. Fire Chief
3. Housing and Urban Development
4. Chief Codes Official
5. Personnel Director
6. Police Chief
7. Public Works
8. UC&T

**AGENDA ITEMS**

1. First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish and Designate Food Truck Zones (areas in which Food Trucks are allowed to use throughout the year by completing an annual form).
2. Consider and Approve New Board Member:  
Cordele Carnegie Library – 3 year term      Mr. Randy West  
Mr. West will replace Mr. William Chandler, Mr. Chandler moved out of town.  
Recommended by Alicia Parker – Chair of the Cordele Carnegie Library
3. Consider and Approve an Alcohol License Application: L & B Wings and More, 507 South Joe Wright Drive, Bobby Rogers – Owner. Requesting the Commission’s approval for a Beer Only Consumed Off Premises. Application was approved by Police Chief Heard on February 13, 2023.
4. Consider and Approve an Alcohol License Application. American Legion Post 542, 610 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Charles A. Felton, Commander. Requesting the Commission’s approval For a Beer Only Consumed On Premises. Application was approved By Police Chief Heard on February 17, 2023.
5. Consider and Approve Alcohol License Renewals. No exceptions noted.

NAME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF LICENSE
Your Supermarket	605 W 16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite C	Beer Only – Consumed Off Premises
Sunoco	1808 E 16 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	Beer Only – Consumed Off Premises
Hurling Hatchets	2010 Central Ave. Suite A	Beer Only – Consumed On Premises
Happy Mart	513 E 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Unit A	Beer Only – Consumed Off Premises

6. Consider and Approval of an Event Permit for a Cross Walk Event: Organizer’s Name is Scott Bryant, 420 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Vienna, GA 31092. Date of Event is April 7, 2023 at 10:00 AM. Route of walk: the walk will start at 1205 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, down to 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, then proceed to Pilot. Police escort is requested from 1205 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street to Pilot on West 280. Approved by Police Chief Jalon Heard on February 14, 2023.

7. Consider and Approve an Event Permit for a Food Truck: Organizer Monica Rentfrow, Downtown Director, 105 East 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Event will be held at the Community Clubhouse on March 17, 2023, 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM.
8. Consider and Approve the Work Based Learning Educational Training Agreement with Crisp County High School.
9. Discussion of amending the city criminal codes to include affray for juvenile fighting and create a pre-trial diversion court (program) for youth fighting.
10. Discussion of Cordele hotels' policy denying city's residents a stay because they live in the city.
11. Discussion of adding mandatory training for City Police (trainings around implicit racial bias, conflict resolution, de-escalation, etc.) to provide better public safety for all our residents.
12. Discussion of specifying the years in which City Manager's contract can be extended for three (3) years. (Background: law states that one governing body cannot legally bind another. There is an election at the end of year 2023... there could be new commissioners starting year 2024...we would bind that commission to a City Manager which they could not vote for until 2 years after they serve (half of their terms). There is a call to specify our charter to make clear when we can offer a three (3) year contract. We should establish that a City Manager's contract could only be extended for three (3) years starting the year when no regular city elections will be held within those years.
13. Discussion Resolution to create Public Safety Improvement Study Commission.
14. Discussion of a Responsible Banking Ordinance (Background: some cities have starting passing ordinance to require any banks that hold city funds or money to provide reports of which areas and business they approve and deny loans).
15. Discussion of Resolution to declare that the City of Cordele is a city of Equity (seeking to provide and assist in developing resources to help all residents succeed).
16. Consider a request for a variance from the Crisp County Cordele Industrial Development Authority to accommodate a 100-foot building to be used as a storage warehouse for agricultural commodities for distribution.

**17. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**18. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**19. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (For Personnel, Litigation, Real Estate)

**20. COMMENTS BY THE GOVERNING BODY**

**21. ADJOURNMENT**