

AGENDA



CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING CORDELE CITY HALL – COURTROOM MARCH 5, 2024

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

REGULAR MEETING 9:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – March 5, 2024

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – February 6, 2024

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETINGS MINUTES – February 20, 2024

SPEAKERS APPEARANCES: No Requests

SPEAKERS ON A SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEM:

RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL COMMISSION UPDATE:
Jim Livingston, Executive Director

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

1. Community Advancement Manager
2. Finance Director
3. Fire Chief
4. Housing and Urban Development Director
5. Human Resource Director

6. Municipal Court
7. Police Chief/Codes
8. Public Works Director
9. Social Media Marketing Manager
10. UC&T Director

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consider and Approve an Event Permit: A Cross Walk Event: Organizer's Name is Sandi Carenes, 1205 S. 7th St., Cordele, GA. Date of Event is March 29, 2024 at 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon. Route of walk: the walk will start at 1205 South 7th Street, down to 16th Avenue, turning right on Central Ave., stopping at Home Depot. Police escort is requested from 1205 South 7th Street to Home Depot. Approved by Police Chief Jalon Heard on February 26, 2024.
2. Consider and Approve an Event Permit: Bunny Hunt by Little Blessings Daycare, 2604 S. 10th St., Cordele, GA. Event will be held on March 30, 2024; 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM. The event will take place at the Cordele Community Clubhouse. Special Request: block off 6th St. to 15th Ave. Approved by Police Chief Jalon Heard on February 26, 2024.
3. Consider and Approve an Event Permit: Family Event - Easter Fest and Easter Express: Sponsors are Crisp Area Arts Alliance, SAM Shortline and Main Street, March 30, 2024, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM at 105 East 9th Avenue. Special Request to block off, 9th Avenue from 6th and 7th Street, we have our own barricades.
4. Consider and Approve an Event Permit: Family Event – Mother's Day Festival: Sponsored by Cordele Main Street and La Calandria Mexican Truck, 105 East 9th Avenue, May 11, 2024, 12:00 Noon – 7:00 PM.
5. Consider and Approve Alcoholic Beverage License (**No Exceptions Noted**):
Beer & Wine Consumed Off Premises – Approved by Police Chief Heard 2.27.2024
16th Ave Inc.
416 W 16th Ave.
Cordele, GA 31015
Reloveme A. Patel – Owner

Liquor by the drink – Approved by Police Chief Heard 2.27.2024
El-Girasol, LLC
102 E 14th Ave. Ste. F
Cordele, GA 31015
Yolanda Medina – Owner
6. Consider a First Reading of an Ordinance to amend and restate the Retirement Plan for the Employees of the City of Cordele, Georgia, in accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Adoption Agreement, any Addendum to the Adoption Agreement, the Georgia Municipal Employees Benefit System (GMEBS) Basic Plan Document, and the GMEBS Trust Agreement. When accepted by the authorized

officers of the City and GMEBS, the foregoing shall constitute a contract between the City and GMEBS, all as authorized and provided by O.C.G.A. § 47-5-1 et seq.

Background Summary Information:

GMEBS recently received a favorable determination letter from the IRS for the Defined Benefit Retirement Plan. The Plan, as approved, incorporates required federal law updates, as well as administrative updates adopted by the Board of Trustees of GMEBS over the last several years. To ensure continued tax-qualified status for all GMEBS-member retirement plans, all participating employers must readopt their plans using the most recent IRS-approved Adoption Agreement.

7. Appoint a Voting Delegate to vote for the Participating Local Government at a Regional, In-person Meeting for Consideration of Three Statewide Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission Members (GOSAC) and Regional Advisory Council (RAC) Members

Background Summary Information:

The Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Georgia and Participating Local Governments as part of Georgia's participation in the national Opioid Settlement requires the creation of the Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC) and Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) to assess grant applications and recommend funding for the regional portion of the opioid settlement funds.

Each Participating Local Government will receive one vote as part of this process and must select a Voting Delegate to vote on the three (3) remaining GOSAC members to represent local governments and RAC members for their respective region. The Voting Delegate will represent the entity at the Regional, in-person meeting. The Voting Delegate can be an elected official or staff member. Cordele is in Region 6. The Region 6 meeting will be held on March 27th at 10:00 AM at the Harris County Library. Additional information on the regional meetings will be emailed to the voting delegates.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

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

11. ADJOURNMENT