



DRAFT AGENDA

October 14, 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
Trecia Gardner <i>(District 1, Post 1)</i>	Tiffany Lampp, Interim City Clerk
Gary Ates, Council Member <i>(District 1, Post 2)</i>	Jim Elliott, City Attorney
Carla Coley, Council Member <i>(District 2 Post 1)</i>	
Lonnie Tedders, Council Member <i>(District 2, Post 2)</i>	
Dianne Lester <i>(District 3, Post 1)</i>	
Shane Savant, Council Member <i>(District 3, Post 2)</i>	

I. Call to Order by the Mayor

II. Invocation

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Attendance

V. Adopt Agenda/Minutes

- 1. Approve Minutes from September 9, 2025, Regular Council Meeting**
- 2. Approve Agenda for October 14, 2025, Regular Council Meeting**

VI. Public Comments

(Please note that every individual who signs up to speak prior to the meeting will be given a total of 3 minutes to address the Mayor and Council.)

VII. Agenda Items

1. Proclamation for October in Cochran as Fire Prevention Month and Firefighter Appreciation Month.
2. Consider adoption of a Memorandum of Understanding for the City's recognition in the PlanFirst program. Presentation by Daniel Gaddis, Planning Program Coordinator for the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, to recognize the City of Cochran's status as a PlanFirst Georgia community for the coming three years.

3. Public Hearing and consideration of a variance application from Bobby Batchelor and Helen Hooks to approve non-conforming building setbacks at the M-1 Light Industrial zoned property at 110 Mendel Lane and 112 Mendel Lane
4. Presentation by Rhonda Gilbert of Gilbert & Associates and Kevin Burnley of Dependable Remediation Services on the City's CDBG and CHIP funded housing rehabilitation and neighborhood revitalization programs.
5. Consider acceptance of the City's \$996,080.00 CDBG grant award from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for housing rehabilitation and neighborhood revitalization in the City's approved Revitalization Area.
6. Consider renewal of the City Manager contract for 2026.
7. Consider moving the Council's scheduled Tuesday, November 11 (Veteran's Day) Regular Session meeting to another day such as Thursday, November 13, 2025.
8. Consider approval of \$120,200.00 bid for the purchase of two (2) new police cars from Brannen Motors in Unidilla, GA to be financed through the GMA equipment loan program.
9. Consider approval of a \$5,000.00 bid from Cody Berryhill from Empire, GA for a golf cart for the police department.
10. Consider approval of a one-year contract renewal with Pulaski State Women's Prison for \$54,249.80 for right-of-way maintenance and other services.
11. Consider adopting a Resolution for the City to serve as a Local Issuing Authority for the T-SPLOST Downtown intersection improvement project.
12. Consider a schedule for millage rate hearings
13. Consider adopting a Resolution for the City to join PFAS litigation
14. Consider approval of a request by the Pilot International Club of Cochran to erect a 6ftx6ft display in front of the City Auditorium during their "Light-A-Light" campaign during the 2025 holiday season.
15. Consider a request of the Cochran-Bleckley Chamber of Commerce to erect a scenic holiday display in the lawn in front of the police department during the 2025 holiday season.

VIII. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates

IX. Council/Mayor Discussion/Items

X. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events

1. Next Work Session - Thursday November 6, 2025 @ 6:00 PM
2. Next Regular Council Meeting - ~~Tuesday, November 11, 2025 @ 6:00 PM~~ TBD

XI. Executive Session