



## WORK SESSION

September 16, 2024  
10:00 AM

Albany-Dougherty Government Center  
222 Pine Ave, Room 100, Albany, GA 31701

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### AGENDA

The public will also have access to the live meeting by accessing the Dougherty County Georgia Government Facebook page at [facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us](https://facebook.com/Dougherty.ga.us) or viewing the public government access channel (Channel 16).

1. Call the meeting to order by Chairman Lorenzo Heard.
2. Roll Call.
3. Invocation.
4. Minutes.
  - a. Minutes of the August 19th Regular Meeting, August 19th Tax Public Hearing, August 26th Work Session, August 26th Special Called Meeting and August 29th Special Called Meeting.
5. Delegations (*The Commission will hear comments on those items pertaining to Dougherty County for which a public hearing has not been held or scheduled. Please be brief, to the point, and considerate of time for others*).
  - a. Gloria Baker, Yvette Greene, Cynthia Reliford Smith, Tristan Richardson, and Sebeca Pledger Jordan are present to accept the proclamation recognizing September as Alopecia Awareness Month in Dougherty County.
6. Zoning.
  - a. Fred Orton, applicant and owner (24-038) requests to rezone a 44.57-acre parcel from R-2 (Single-Family Residential District) and AG (Agricultural District) to AG (Agricultural District). The rezoning would allow for the portion of property zoned R-2 to align with Agricultural uses. The property is at 2615 Liberty Expressway SE. The Planning Commission recommends approval. Angel Gray, Deputy Planning Director will address. *The Public Hearing and Action on this item are scheduled for the September 23, 2024 Regular Meeting.*

7. Purchases.
  - a. Discussion of the ratification of the emergency repair to Fleming Road in the amount of \$196,225 to Reeves Construction Company (Albany, Ga). The Commission provided consensus to the repair in the July 29, 2024 Work Session. Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks and Public Works Director Chuck Mathis will address.
  
8. Additional Business.
  - a. Recommendation for the Dougherty County Commission to allow the County Administrator, as well as his/her designee, to have the authority to approve or deny requests for transfers of alcohol licenses in the unincorporated area in lieu of having action by the Board of Commissioners. The City of Albany updated their policies in 2022 allowing the change. The Marshal's Division is requesting that the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners take the same action to allow staff in the Code Enforcement Department to follow the same procedures for both entities. Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks and Chief Deputy, Anthony Donaldson will address.
  - b. Discussion of the revised cost estimate to pave the Poinciana Street (north) alley. Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks and Public Works Director Chuck Mathis will address.
  - c. Recommendation to declare the listed vehicles and equipment as surplus and authorize the disposal of or sale of same via an online auction. Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks will address.
  - d. Recommendation to accept the Financial Advisory Services Agreement from Davenport Public Finance in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. This amount is within the Administrator's authority to accept, however, when combined with the \$15,000 agreement from May for work related to the County's FY 24-25 budget and 2024 tax digest, the cumulative amount exceeds the Administrator's \$20,000 limitation. Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks will address.
  - e. Continued discussion from the Government Affairs Committee regarding the consulting for federal and state government relations. Government Affairs Committee Chairman Gloria Gaines and Assistant County Administrator Barry Brooks will address.
  
9. Updates from the County Administrator.
  
10. Updates from the County Attorney.
  - a. **REMINDER** - There will be a Special Called meeting following the Work Session.
  
11. Updates from the County Commission.
  
12. Adjourn.

## **Dougherty County's Vision Statement**

Dougherty County will be a committed leader in sustaining a high quality of life by partnering with citizens, businesses, and other government agencies to make this a community of choice for living, working, and leisure activities.

## **Dougherty County's Mission Statement**

To improve the quality of life for all our citizens by being accessible and good stewards of our resources while delivering cost-effective, responsive, services with integrity, fairness, and friendliness.

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