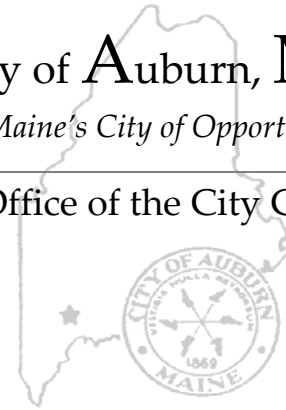


# City of Auburn, Maine

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## Council Meeting Agenda Packet

June 11, 2007

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# Special City Council Meeting and Workshop June 11, 2007

## Agenda

**5:00 p.m. Dinner**

**5:30 p.m. Workshop**

Revaluation

Capital Improvement Program

**7:00 p.m. Council Meeting**

- Pledge of Allegiance

\* **Consent Items** – All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered as routine and will be approved in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor or citizen so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in the order it appears on the agenda.

## Minutes

\*061107-00 Minutes of June 4, 2007 Council Meeting

## Reports

- **Mayor**
- **City Councilors**
  - **Dick Gleason:** Water District, Consolidation, Audit Committee, Procurement Committee
  - **Bob Hayes:** Planning Board, L-A Railroad, Alternative Revenues
  - **Eric Samson:** LAEGC, MMWAC, City Manager Search
  - **Bruce Bickford:** A-L Airport, ABDC, Roads & Sidewalks
  - **Ray Berube:** School Committee, Auburn Housing, Communication
  - **Bob Mennealy:** Sewer District, University of Maine L-A, Impact Fees
  - **Ellen Peters:** 9-1-1 Center, Library Board, Comprehensive Plan
- **City Manager**

## Communications and Recognitions

\*061107-00 Communication from Police Chief Crowell Re: Constable

\*061107-00 Communication from Councilor Peters Re: Excused from Council Meetings

## Unfinished Business

061107-01 Ordinance – Amendment to the Zoning Map in the Vicinity of Martindale Road from Rural Residential to Suburban Residence (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

061107-02 Resolve – 2007-08 Annual Appropriation Resolve (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)

## **New Business**

061107-03 Order – 2007-08 Tax Commitment

061107-04 Set date for second meeting in June (June 25<sup>th</sup>)

**Open Session** - Members of the public are invited to speak to the Council about any issue directly related to City business which is *not* on this agenda

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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**Executives Sessions:** On occasion, the City Council discusses matters which are required or allowed by State law to be considered in executive session. Executive sessions are not open to the public. The matters that are discussed in executive session are required to be kept confidential until they become a matter of public discussion. In order to go into executive session, a Councilor must make a motion in public. The motion must be recorded, and 3/5 of the members of the Council must vote to go into executive session. An executive session is not required to be scheduled in advance as an agenda item, although when it is known at the time that the agenda is finalized, it will be listed on the agenda.

The only topics which may be discussed in executive session are those that fall within one of the categories set forth in Title 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405. Those applicable to municipal government are:

1. Discussion of personnel issues
2. Discussion or consideration of the condition, acquisition, or the use of real or personal property or economic development if premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive or bargaining position of the body or agency.
3. Discussion of labor contracts and proposals and meetings between a public agency and its negotiators.
4. Consultations between a body or agency and its attorney
5. Discussion of information contained in records made, maintained or received by a body or agency when access by the general public to those records is prohibited by statute.
6. Discussion or approval of the content of examinations administered by a body or agency for licensing, permitting or employment purposes
7. Consultations between municipal officers and a code enforcement officer relating to enforcement matter pending in District Court.

**CITY OF AUBURN  
JUNE 4, 2007  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT**

Mayor John T. Jenkins, Councilors Richard D. Gleason, Robert P. Hayes, Eric G. Samson, Bruce A. Bickford, Raymond C. Berube, C. Ellen Peters, and Robert C. Mennealy, Acting City Manager Laurie Smith, City Clerk Mary Lou Magno, and Finance Director Chris Trenholm. There were 41 people in the audience.

Mayor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall with a salute to the flag.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The following students sang the National Anthem: Katie Naum, Lorna Knight, Alexis Leclerc and Meaghan McDonough.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilor Berube moved to accept and place on file the following item listed with an asterisk. Seconded by Councilor Hayes. Vote: 7 Yeas.

**\*MINUTES - MAY 7, 2007**

Approved under consent agenda.

**REPORTS OF THE MAYOR**

Mayor Jenkins gave a "State of the City" Report.

Mayor Jenkins requested a moment of silence for Steve Ranney, City Engineer, who passed away recently.

**REPORTS OF CITY COUNCILORS**

Councilors reported on their respective Council Committee Assignments.

Councilor Gleason moved that the next time the Auburn City Council meets with the Lewiston City Council in a Joint Workshop, the agenda should include a presentation from the commission on past history and work done to date. In addition, the Councils should discuss the pros and cons of having a single City Manager or Administrator. Seconded by Councilor Berube.

Ron Potvin, 82 Northern Avenue, made comments regarding the above motion.

Vote: 7 Yeas.

**REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER**

Acting City Manager Laurie Smith noted the following items: Mock accident at Edward Little High School recently conducted by the Public Safety Departments; NIMS Training; FEMA recently visiting the area as a result of the Patriots Day storm; and June 14<sup>th</sup> is the dedication of the Park Avenue Elementary School.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**COMMUNICATION FROM BALLOON FESTIVAL COMMITTEE RE: USE OF CITY PROPERTY -  
REQUEST FOR SERVICES - WAIVING LICENSE AND TIPPING FEES**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE LIBERTY FESTIVAL COMMITTEE RE: MASS GATHERING  
PERMIT AND REQUEST FOR SERVICES**

Councilor Berube moved to accept both communications, place them on file and that both requests be approved including the funding of police services. Seconded by Councilor Gleason.

The following made comments regarding the above requests: John Davis, President Balloon Festival Committee, Mike Theriault, Chair of Logistics, and Police Chief Crowell answered Councilors questions.

Vote: 7 Yeas.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. RESOLVE - AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN THE VICINITY OF  
MARTINDALE ROAD FROM AGRICULTURE AND RESOURCE PROTECTION TO  
MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (TABLED 5/21/07)**

Councilor Samson moved to remove this item from the table. Seocnded by Councilor Gleason. Vote: 6 Yeas, No Nays (Councilor Mennealy out of the room)

Eric Cousens, City Planner, made comments regarding the above resolve and answered Councilors questions.

Councilor Samson moved to amend by changing the word "Medium" to the word "Low" in the title and body of the resolve. Seconded by Councilor Gleason. Vote on the amendment: 6 Yeas, No Nays (Councilor Mennealy out of the room)

Vote on passage of the resolve as amended: 7 Yeas.

**2. ORDINANCE - AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING MAP IN THE VICINITY OF MARTINDALE  
ROAD FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO SUBURBAN RESIDENCE (1<sup>ST</sup> READING  
TABLED 5/21/07)**

Councilor Samson moved to remove this item from the table. Seconded by Councilor Bickford. Vote: 7 Yeas.

Vote on acceptance of first reading: 7 Yeas.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**3. RESOLVE - 2007-08 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLVE**

Councilor Gleason moved for acceptance of first reading. Seconded by Councilor Mennealy.

Ron Potvin, 82 Northern Avenue; and Dick Bussiere, 9 Winter Street, made comments regarding this item.

Vote: 7 Yeas.

**4. RESOLVE - AMENDMENT TO HOMEBUYER AND HOMEOWNER REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

Councilor Gleason moved for passage of the resolve. Seconded by Councilor Mennealy.

Reine Mynahan, Community Development Block Grant Administrator, explained the above resolve.

Vote: 7 Yeas.

**5. PUBLIC HEARING - LIQUOR LICENSE AND SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR HART OF TEXAS, INC., D/B/A HART OF TEXAS**

Mayor Jenkins opened the public hearing. Rhonda and James Hart spoke in favor of the above applications and answered Councilors questions.

Councilor Bickford moved to approve both applications. Seconded by Councilor Berube. Vote: 7 Yeas.

**6. SET DATE FOR SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Councilor Berube moved that a Special City Council Meeting be held on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Councilor Samson. Vote: 7 Yeas.

**OPEN SESSION**

The following people spoke during open session: Brian Demers, 1085 Riverside Drive; Dan Herrick, 470 Hatch Road; Andy Titus, 45 Carson Street; Ed Desgrosseilliers, 121 Hatch Road; Walt Reed, 173 Third Street; and Ron Potvin, 82 Northern Avenue.

**CLOSED OPEN SESSION**

**RATIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH LAURIE SMITH**

Councilor Gleason moved that the Employment Agreement with Laurie Smith as Acting City Manager be ratified. Seconded by Councilor Peters. Vote: 7 Yeas.

**ADJOURNMENT - 9:30 P.M.**

Councilor Mennealy moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Peters. Vote: 7 Yeas.

**A TRUE RECORD**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY CLERK**

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor John T. Jenkins and Members of the City Council

FROM: Chief Phillip L. Crowell, Jr., Auburn Police Department

DATE: June 4, 2007

SUBJECT: CONSTABLE

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We request that the following person be named as Constable for the Auburn Police Department.

Marshall McCamish      Police Officer      Full-Time      With Firearm

June 4, 2007

Honorable Mayor Jenkins and fellow City Councilors,

I will be out of town from June 15<sup>th</sup> through June 26<sup>th</sup> due to a work related obligation and a family vacation.

I am requesting to be excused from workshops/meetings held during that time.

Thank you.

Ellen Peters  
Councilor at-large



# City Council

## Agenda Information Sheet

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**Council Meeting Date** 6/11/2007

**Agenda Item No.** 1

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**SUBJECT:**

**ORDINANCE – AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING MAP IN THE VICINITY OF  
MARTINDALE ROAD FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO  
SUBURBAN RESIDENCE**

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**INFORMATION:**

This petition was before the Planning Board for consideration and a recommendation on May 8, 2007. The Planning Board has reviewed the request and voted unanimously (4/0) to forward a positive recommendation to the City Council on this matter with the following condition: That the area located within the 100-year floodplain along the Little Androscoggin River be changed from Rural Residential Zoning to Agriculture and Resource Protection.

At the Planning Board meeting there were no citizens present in favor of nor opposed to the proposed rezoning, however, the L/A Railroad Company noted that Rail activity across the river is anticipated to increase and buyers within any future development should be aware of this likely possibility. The applicant spoke in favor of the petition. A copy of the Planning Board Report is attached to the Comprehensive Plan amendment request for more information.

The Planning Board reviewed the application, Staff's report and the testimony and voted 4-0-0 in favor of sending a recommendation to the City Council to approve the proposed rezoning request with the following motion: To amend the City's Comprehensive Plan – Future Land Use Map in the area of Tax Map Parcels ID# 178-033 and 168-012 from Agriculture and Resource Protection to Residential Medium Density with the exception of the floodplain area which should remain in the Agriculture and Resource Protection designation. Furthermore, to amend the City of Auburn Zoning Map for the same parcels from Rural Residential (RR) to Suburban Residence (SR) with the exception of the floodplain area which should be changed to the Agriculture and Resource Protection district to protect the shoreline and floodplain from development.

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**STAFF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

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**REQUESTED ACTION:**

Motion for acceptance of second reading and final passage.

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**VOTE:**

# City of Auburn

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City Council, Auburn, Maine  
Date: May 21, 2007

**TITLE: ORDINANCE – CHAPTER 29, SECTION 1.3 – AMENDMENT TO  
THE ZONING MAP IN THE VICINITY OF MARTINDALE ROAD  
FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO SUBURBAN RESIDENCE**

Rezoning of Lot ID# 178-033 and 168-012, generally bounded on the southwest by the centerline of Martindale Road; on the south and east by the northerly and westerly property lines of Martindale Country Club; on the north by Little Androscoggin River; and on the northwest by the southerly line of the Lewiston/Auburn Railroad be rezoned from the Rural Residential (RR) zoning district to Suburban Residence (SR) zoning district with the exception of the floodplain area which shall be changed to the Agriculture and Resource Protection district.

Be It Ordained by the Auburn City Council that, the area identified as Tax Map Parcels ID# 178-033 and 168-012, generally bounded on the southwest by the centerline of Martindale Road; on the south and east by the northerly and westerly property lines of Martindale Country Club; on the north by Little Androscoggin River; and on the northwest by the southerly line of the Lewiston/Auburn Railroad be rezoned from the Rural Residential (RR) zoning district to Suburban Residence (SR) zoning district with the exception of the floodplain area which shall be changed to the Agriculture and Resource Protection district to protect the shoreline and floodplain from development, as shown on the attached map.

May 21, 2007 – Councilor Bickford moved to table. Seconded by Councilor Samson.  
Vote: 4 Yeas with Councilors Hayes, Peters and Mennealy voting Nay.

June 4, 2007 – Councilor Samson moved to remove this item from the table. Seconded by Councilor Bickford. Vote: 7 Yeas

Motion for acceptance of first reading: Robert Hayes Seconded by: Eric Samson  
Vote: 7 Yeas

Motion for acceptance of second reading and final passage:  
Seconded by:  
Vote:

Action by the City Council:

Date:

Attest:

City Clerk

# City of Auburn Maine

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# City of Auburn

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CITY COUNCIL, AUBURN

Date: June 4, 2007

TITLE: 2007 - 2008 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLVE

Be It Resolved by the Auburn City Council, That the following be, and hereby is the Annual Appropriation Resolve of the City of Auburn for the fiscal year 2007-2008, which includes the amounts appropriated herein and revenues from all sources beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008, in the aggregate amount of \$64,921,520, with a municipal budget of \$31,194,735 and a School Dept. budget of \$33,726,785, based upon the budget submitted to the Auburn City Council on April 30, 2007, by the City Manager, and notification was published in the Lewiston Sun Journal, a daily newspaper in the County of Androscoggin on May 14, 2007, that a public hearing would be held on May 21, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. and said hearing having been held on that date, and as amended by the City Council, the same is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year 2007-2008 beginning July 1, 2007 for the lawful expenditures of the City of Auburn and for the County of Androscoggin taxes, and said amounts are declared not to be in excess of the estimated revenue from taxation and sources other than taxation for the fiscal year of 2007-2008.

## REQUIRED BUDGET ARTICLES FOR CITY OF AUBURN FOR 2007-08

### EPS FUNDING ALLOCATION

ARTICLE 1 – That the City of Auburn appropriate \$29,898,734 for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and that the City of Auburn raise \$12,337,380 as the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

*Explanation: The municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

### NON-STATE FUNDED SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION DEBT

ARTICLE 2 – That the City of Auburn raise and appropriate \$1,333,679 for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, non-state funded portions of school construction projects, and minor capital projects, in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

*Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the City's long-term debt for major capital school construction and minor capital renovation projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the City Council or, as applicable, the voters of the City.*

### ADDITIONAL LOCAL FUNDS

ARTICLE 3 – That the City of Auburn raise and appropriate \$1,554,210 additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the City's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on debt service that will help achieve the City's budget for educational programs.*

### TOTAL SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 4 – That the City of Auburn authorize the School Committee to expend \$33,726,785 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008 from the City's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

### ADULT EDUCATION BUDGET

ARTICLE 5 – That the City of Auburn appropriate \$362,606 for the Adult Education program and that the City of Auburn raise \$176,319 as the local share for adult education.

### CROSSING GUARD BUDGET

ARTICLE 6 – That the City of Auburn raise and appropriate \$73,635 for the services of crossing guards.

Motion for acceptance of first reading: Richard Gleason Seconded by: Robert Mennealy  
Vote: 7 Yeas

Motion for acceptance of second reading and final passage:  
Seconded by:

Action by City Council:

Date:

ATTEST:

City Clerk

**City of Auburn FY 2008 Budget  
Comparison FY 2007 and FY 2008 Budgets**

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>COUNCIL ADOPTED BUDGET FY 06-07</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>MANAGER PROPOSED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>COUNCIL ADOPTED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease) from Prior Year Budget</b>	<b>Percentage of Increase (Decrease)</b>
<b><u>ADMINISTRATION</u></b>						
ASSESSING	\$246,071	\$278,625	\$268,625	\$267,575	\$21,504	8.7%
CITY CLERK	\$118,544	\$134,449	\$133,399	\$133,399	\$14,855	12.5%
CITY MANAGER	\$205,656	\$214,776	\$214,776	\$214,776	\$9,120	4.4%
CUSTOMER SERVICE	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$0	0.0%
FINANCE	\$353,591	\$365,196	\$364,296	\$364,296	\$10,705	3.0%
HUMAN RESOURCES	\$100,279	\$112,978	\$110,878	\$110,878	\$10,599	10.6%
INFORMATION SYSTEMS	\$216,245	\$252,632	\$217,562	\$196,562	(\$19,683)	-9.1%
LEGAL SERVICES	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	0.0%
MAYOR AND COUNCIL	\$98,610	\$102,275	\$102,275	\$102,275	\$3,665	3.7%
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>\$1,409,996</b>	<b>\$1,531,931</b>	<b>\$1,482,811</b>	<b>\$1,460,761</b>	<b>\$50,765</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
<b><u>COMMUNITY SERVICES</u></b>						
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS	\$13,050	\$13,550	\$13,550	\$13,550	\$500	3.8%
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES	\$97,150	\$97,798	\$96,548	\$96,548	(\$602)	-0.6%
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$531,559	\$573,261	\$555,761	\$552,261	\$20,702	3.9%
PLANNING & PERMITTING	\$665,823	\$799,591	\$787,091	\$768,591	\$102,768	15.4%
PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$885,623	\$916,000	\$916,000	\$919,407	\$33,784	3.8%
<b>TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>	<b>\$2,193,205</b>	<b>\$2,400,200</b>	<b>\$2,368,950</b>	<b>\$2,350,357</b>	<b>\$157,152</b>	<b>7.2%</b>
<b><u>FISCAL SERVICES</u></b>						
DEBT SERVICE	\$7,394,394	\$7,176,622	\$7,176,622	\$7,176,622	(\$217,772)	-2.9%
EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$620,000	\$620,000	\$600,000	\$326,900	(\$293,100)	-47.3%
PROPERTY	\$548,578	\$571,709	\$557,614	\$543,614	(\$4,964)	-0.9%
WAGES AND BENEFITS	\$4,043,043	\$4,130,343	\$4,130,343	\$4,130,343	\$87,300	2.2%
WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES</b>	<b>\$12,806,015</b>	<b>\$12,698,674</b>	<b>\$12,664,579</b>	<b>\$12,377,479</b>	<b>(\$428,536)</b>	<b>-3.3%</b>
<b><u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u></b>						
FIRE	\$3,266,603	\$3,695,179	\$3,651,379	\$3,643,879	\$377,276	11.5%
POLICE	\$2,616,186	\$2,750,488	\$2,727,013	\$2,712,013	\$95,827	3.7%
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$5,882,789</b>	<b>\$6,445,667</b>	<b>\$6,378,392</b>	<b>\$6,355,892</b>	<b>\$473,103</b>	<b>8.0%</b>

**City of Auburn FY 2008 Budget  
Comparison FY 2007 and FY 2008 Budgets**

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>COUNCIL ADOPTED BUDGET FY 06-07</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>MANAGER PROPOSED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>COUNCIL ADOPTED BUDGET FY 07-08</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease) from Prior Year Budget</b>	<b>Percentage of Increase (Decrease)</b>
<b><u>PUBLIC WORKS</u></b>						
PUBLIC WORKS	\$4,490,429	\$4,748,849	\$4,669,059	\$4,667,059	\$176,630	3.9%
WATER AND SEWER	\$467,500	\$472,500	\$472,500	\$472,500	\$5,000	1.1%
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>\$4,957,929</b>	<b>\$5,221,349</b>	<b>\$5,141,559</b>	<b>\$5,139,559</b>	<b>\$181,630</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
<b>TOTAL MUNICIPAL</b>	<b>\$27,249,934</b>	<b>\$28,297,821</b>	<b>\$28,036,291</b>	<b>\$27,684,048</b>	<b>\$434,114</b>	<b>1.59%</b>
<b><u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL PROGRAMS</u></b>						
COUNTY TAXES	\$1,699,945	\$1,877,972	\$1,877,972	\$1,877,972	\$178,027	10.5%
TAX SHARING	\$345,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$5,000	1.4%
AUBURN - LEWISTON AIRPORT	\$136,269	\$185,500	\$185,500	\$98,000	(\$38,269)	-28.1%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$6,468	\$6,678	\$6,678	\$6,678	\$210	3.2%
LA ARTS	\$21,000	\$22,680	\$22,680	\$22,680	\$1,680	8.0%
LEW - AUB ECONOMIC GROWTH CO	\$106,429	\$106,429	\$106,429	\$106,429	\$0	0.0%
LEW - AUB TRANSIT COMMITTEE	\$117,994	\$117,994	\$117,994	\$117,994	\$0	0.0%
LEW - AUB 911	\$867,500	\$949,649	\$949,649	\$930,934	\$63,434	7.3%
<b>TOTAL INTERGOVERN. PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$3,300,605</b>	<b>\$3,616,902</b>	<b>\$3,616,902</b>	<b>\$3,510,687</b>	<b>\$210,082</b>	<b>6.36%</b>
Education Operation	\$29,853,562	\$31,586,631	\$31,014,365	\$31,014,365	\$1,160,803	3.9%
Education Debt Service	\$2,795,795	\$2,712,420	\$2,712,420	\$2,712,420	(\$83,375)	-3.0%
<b>TOTAL SCHOOL</b>	<b>\$32,649,357</b>	<b>\$34,299,051</b>	<b>\$33,726,785</b>	<b>\$33,726,785</b>	<b>\$1,077,428</b>	<b>3.30%</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$63,199,896</b>	<b>\$66,213,774</b>	<b>\$65,379,978</b>	<b>\$64,921,520</b>	<b>\$1,721,624</b>	<b>2.72%</b>

# City Council

## Agenda Information Sheet

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**Council Meeting Date:** June 11, 2007      **Agenda Item No. 3**

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**SUBJECT:** Order – Authorizing the FY 2007-2008 Tax Commitment

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**INFORMATION:**

During the budget process, the City Council approves the amount of expenditures necessary to fund the approved budget. The budget is funded from several sources including State aid such as aid for education, Revenue Sharing, and Local Road assistance, and fees including building and development fees. The largest source of revenue for municipalities in Maine is the property tax. The City Council must authorize the amount of property taxes that need to be collected (tax Commitment) to fund the approved budget.

Based on the approved budget expenditure level, the amount of property taxes needed to be collected in FY 2007 is: \$41,460,858. Once the City Council votes to set the tax commitment, the tax bills will be sent. The first half of the property tax payment will be due September 17, 2007; the second payment will be due March 17, 2008. Personal Property taxes will be due August 27, 2007. The State Treasurer has established the interest rate that can be charged on late tax payments at 12%.

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**STAFF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATION:**

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**REQUESTED ACTION:**

Motion for passage of the Order

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**VOTE:**



# City of Auburn

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CITY COUNCIL, AUBURN MAINE

Date: June 11, 2007

TITLE: ORDER: 2007-2008 TAX COMMITMENT

Be It Ordered by the Auburn City Council, That the Assessor of Taxes of the City of Auburn is directed to assess a tax upon all real estate in Auburn liable to be taxed therein; and to assess the owners of personal property liable to be taxed therein on the first day of April, 2007 and not exempt from taxation, to the aggregate amount of \$41,460,858 in accordance with provisions of the statutes of Maine in such cases made and provided; make perfect lists under her hand of such assessments and commit the same to the Collector of Taxes for the City of Auburn, on or before the twenty-seventh day of July, 2007. Fifty percent (50%) of all real estate taxes assessed as above and committed to the collector, shall be due proportionately from each taxpayer on September 17, 2007 and the remaining fifty percent (50%) shall be due on March 17, 2008. Except as may be provided by resolve regarding payments in accordance with an installment payment plan, any taxes remaining uncollected on September 17, 2007 and March 17, 2008 respectively, shall bear interest at a rate of 12% per annum from and after such dates. Personal property taxes shall be due and payable on or before August 27, 2007. Any personal taxes remaining unpaid after September 4th, 2007 shall bear an interest rate of 12% per annum from and after such date. Interest on all delinquent taxes shall be computed on a daily basis and shall be collected by the Tax Collector. The Tax Collector is authorized to accept tax prepayments.

Motion for passage:

Seconded by:

Vote:

Action by City Council:

Date:

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK