

**OXFORD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2015 – 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL
A G E N D A**

5:00 PM - Executive Session – to consider real estate transaction.

1. **Honorary Councilmember** – Councilmember Holt has appointed Mrs. Mary Godfrey of West Soule Street as the honorary councilmember for February.
2. **Whatcoat Street** – Robert Jordan will meet with Council to review some options on this project.
3. **Management of Undeveloped land owned by the city, including rights-of-way** – We will have a report from David Strickland concerning the Coke and George Street rights-of-way. We have sent a memo along with several attachments to City Council. In addition we should also discuss:
 - a. Planned future use by the city
 - b. Maintenance
 - c. Liabilities
 - d. Permitting private organizations or persons to use
 - i. Temporary
 - ii. Long term
4. **Planning Commission Members** – Planning Commission members serve three year terms on a rotating basis. This year the terms of Ron Manson and Vivian Harris expired in December, 2014. Both may be reappointed and both are willing to serve another term.
5. **July 4th Parade Committee** – Council should appoint the July 4th parade committee members at the February regular meeting. The parade committee should report back to council at its April meeting including an operational plan for the parade and a recommendation of Grand Marshal.
6. **Grounds Maintenance** – Our contract with Premier Tree and Shrub Care was for one year and may be renewed for one additional year. We recommend that it be renewed for 2015.
7. **Sewer Connection Status** – We will report on where we are in the process to connect properties within 100 feet of the sewer lines.
8. * **City Entrance Signs** – We have a final draft attached for both the primary signs and the secondary signs to be reviewed by Council.

9. **Honorary Councilmember Program** – Should we continue this program on a monthly basis in 2015 or should we scale back to a quarterly program?

10. ***Projects Status Report**

*Attachments

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emory's King Week concludes with service in Old Church

The 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. national holiday was January 19, a day that was the beginning of a longer observance at Emory University. King Week 2015 has included a variety of events on Emory's Atlanta campus, and the final service honoring the life of the civil-rights leader will take place in Oxford's Old Church on **Tuesday, January 27 at 7:30 pm.**

The featured speaker for this year's service is Rep. Stacey Abrams (D-Atlanta), who is the House Minority Leader for the Georgia General Assembly and State Representative for Georgia's 89th district. She is the first woman to lead either party in the Georgia General Assembly, and is the first African-American to lead in the House of Representatives.

Says Lyn Pace, Oxford College chaplain and sponsor of the event, "It is an honor to have Stacey Abrams as the speaker for this year's ceremony. She brings a life-long passion for public service and civic engagement and a commitment to community that I know will infuse her words and inspire all of us, especially our students, as we gather to celebrate Dr. King's legacy."

Special music for the occasion will include performances by student groups Voices of Praise gospel choir and Oxapella as well as the Martin Luther King, Jr. Interdenominational Choir, composed of singers from the Covington area.

The service is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Lyn Pace, Oxford College chaplain, at 770-784-8392.