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City of Augusta named among the nation's top Digital City Governments

AUGUSTA, GA (Dec. 2, 2021) – The Center for Digital Government (CDG) has named the City of Augusta among the winners of the 2021 Digital Cities Survey. The recognition spotlights cities utilizing technology to tackle social challenges, improve services, encourage citizen engagement, strengthen cybersecurity, and enhance transparency.

Augusta's Information Technology Department ranked fourth in the category of cities with a population of 125,000-249,999. This is the seventh time the City of Augusta is the only Georgia municipality to be recognized in this category.

"Innovative cities are able to leverage data and harness new technology to enhance the services they provide," said CDG Vice President Phil Bertolini. "The Center for Digital Government congratulates this year's winners for putting technology to good use toward improving the lives of constituents and strengthening the relationships they have with their partners."

The focus of this year's survey takes a holistic review of how efficiently the overall government overcame the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic while continuing to innovate and engage with residents. Augusta received recognition because of its continued dedication to making government accessible for residents and providing resources for additional transparency.

"The Information Technology Department is honored to receive this recognition as it speaks to our commitment to providing innovative solutions to improve Augusta's services through technology," said Tameka Allen, Chief Information Officer for the City of Augusta.

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