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LaGrange Mayor and City Council Participate in GMA Mayors' Day Conference



Pictured from left to right: Councilman Willie Edmondson, Councilman Mark Mitchell, Councilman Tom Gore, Mayor Jim Thornton, Councilman Jim Arrington, & Councilman Nathan Gaskin

Atlanta, Ga. January 27, 2019 – The LaGrange Mayor and City Council participated in this past weekend's Georgia Municipal Association Mayors' Day Conference in Atlanta.

GMA is the principal advocate for Georgia's cities at the legislature, and they do a great job in that role.

“The Mayors' Day conference gives us as city officials a chance to learn about statewide legislative issues that affect our city and the opportunity to discuss those issues with our state legislators. LaGrange has been well represented this year, as is usually the case, with our city council members and staff in attendance,” said Mayor Thornton.

“I have attended all of the policy committee meetings so that I could discuss upcoming issues directly with state lawmakers and make sure they understand how their decisions affect us back home.”

Mayor Thornton is currently GMA’s Third Vice President and is in line to become GMA President in 2021.



Pictured from left to right: Dublin Mayor Phil Best, GMA Executive Director Larry Hanson, Auburn Mayor Linda Blechinger, Governor Brian Kemp, Union City Mayor Vince Williams, LaGrange Mayor Jim Thornton, and Albany Mayor Dorothy Hubbard

Among those in attendance include Governor Brian Kemp, Congressman Drew Ferguson, and many other Georgia state leaders.

District Two Councilman Nathan Gaskin participated in several classes offered over the weekend.



“I’m very grateful for the resource of information available to me through the Georgia Municipal Association,” said Gaskin. “Participating in GMA’s Mayors’ Day has been a life-saver for me as a newly-elected city council member.”

The 2019 Mayors' Day Conference began Friday, January 25th and wrapped up this morning Monday, January 28th.

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