

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CANTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**6:00 P.M, AUGUST 24, 2021**  
Canton City Hall  
201 N. Buffalo, Canton, Texas 75103

**MINUTES**

The Canton City Council met at the above-named date and time in the Canton City Hall. Members present were Mayor Lou Ann Everett and Councilmembers Blake Fowler, Jim Fuller, Chase Melton, Randon Sumner and Nathan Moore.

Also present were City Manager Lonny Cluck, City Secretary Debra Johnson, Finance Director Teri Pruitt and Director of Operations Peter Lamont.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE QUORUM PRESENT – Mayor Everett called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present at 6:00 p.m.
2. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Mayor Everett opened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Everett called Council into Executive Session at 6:01 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**In accordance with the authority contained in the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including but not limited to, Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 and 551.087. Council will convene in closed or executive session to discuss the following matters.**

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY (Section 551.071)

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:30 p.m.

4. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON AMENDMENTS TO CANTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUDGET, BYLAWS AND EDC STRUCTURE – Councilmember Moore made a motion to direct City staff to prepare amendments to the Canton Economic Development Corporation Bylaws, and such other documents that may be necessary, to make the Executive Director of the corporation and all other current and future employees City employees and to make the Executive Director a director-level city employee who reported directly to the City Manager. Councilmember Sumner seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

Councilmember Moore directed that the Bylaw amendments be sent to the CEDC board for a quick review and approval

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 9-1-1 PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT SERVICES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ETCOG) – Councilmember Fowler made a motion to approve the 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Service Interlocal Agreement. Councilmember Moore seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

6. CONDUCT FIRST READING AND DISCUSS RESOLUTION NO. 2021-22 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH JTS OPERATIONS, LLC – Mayor Everett read the caption for Resolution No. 2021-22.

7. CONDUCT SECOND READING AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-22 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH JTS OPERATIONS, LLC

Mayor Everett read the caption for Resolution No. 2021-22 a second time. Councilmember Sumner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-22. Councilmember Fowler seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS
9. ADJOURN - There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CANTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**6:00 P.M, AUGUST 31, 2021**  
Canton City Hall  
201 N. Buffalo, Canton, Texas 75103

**MINUTES**

The Canton City Council met at the above-named date and time in the Canton City Hall. Members present were Mayor Pro Tem Randon Sumner and Councilmembers Blake Fowler, Jim Fuller, Chase Melton and Nathan Moore.

Also present were City Manager Lonny Cluck, City Secretary Debra Johnson, Finance Director Teri Pruitt, CEDC Director Julie Seymore and Director of Operations Peter Lamont.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARE QUORUM PRESENT – Mayor Pro Tem called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present, with Mayor Everett being absent, at 6:00 p.m.
2. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Mayor Pro Tem Sumner opened a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:00 p.m.

Council convened into Executive Session at 6:01 p.m.

Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Sumner reopened the public hearing on the budget at 6:20 p.m. Lonny Cluck questioned the amount in the budget regarding CEDC salaries and benefits at Page 105. Ms. Pruitt said it was due to an amendment done on last year's budget. There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:23 p.m.

3. CONSIDER RATIFYING THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE OF \$227,767 REFLECTED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET, \$18,661 OF WHICH WILL BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL - Councilmember Moore made a motion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the FY 2021-2022 budget. Councilmember Fowler seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

4. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-20 APPROVING PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 - Councilmember Fowler made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-20 approving the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022. Councilmember Moore seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

5. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-21 LEVYING THE TAX RATE OF 0.56000 FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 - Councilmember Melton made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-21 levying the tax rate of 0.56000. Councilmember Fowler seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

6. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-22 ADOPTING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF CANTON, TEXAS - Councilmember Moore made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-22 adopting the fee schedule. Councilmember Melton seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

7. CITY MANAGEMENT REPORT - HELICOPTER

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8. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY (Section 551.071)
9. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DELIBERATIONS REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS (Section 551.074)

#### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

10. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-23 APPROVING THE AMENDED BYLAWS OF THE CANTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION -

Councilmember Melton made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-23 approving the amended bylaws of the Canton Economic Development Corporation. Councilmember Moore seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

11. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2021-23 AMENDING THE CITY OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES TITLE III ("ADMINISTRATION"), CHAPTER 31 ("OFFICERS AND ADMINISTRATION") BY ADDING NEW SECTIONS RELATING TO THE CANTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; ESTABLISHING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF CANTON AND DESIGNATING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PERSONNEL AS CITY EMPLOYEES; ADDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; ADDING A SEVERABILITY AND SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE - Councilmember Moore made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-23. Councilmember Melton seconded.

Council Member - Nathan Moore: Approve  
Mayor Pro Tem - Randon Sumner: Approve  
Council Member - Chase Melton: Approve  
Council Member - Blake Fowler: Approve  
Council Member - Jim Fuller: Approve

12. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS
13. ADJOURN - There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.