

CANTON CITY COUNCIL

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Richard Sacco, Ward 8
Frank Morris, Ward 9

FINAL AGENDA

April 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Roll Call: ALL MEMBERS PRESENT

Motion to Excuse Members: NOT NECESSARY

Invocation: CHRIS SMITH, WARD 4 COUNCIL MEMBER

Pledge of Allegiance: PRESIDENT BATES ALYWARD

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 1ST RDG O#10; 2ND RDG O#11 & O#12; O#10 ADOPTED ON 1ST RDG)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 7:00 PM - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 55/77, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE CITY OF CANTON ZONING ORDINANCE; AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY. (KAITLYN SHEPHERD FOR FAITH BIBLE CHURCH @ 1203 WERTZ AVE. NW) (1 SPEAKER) SEE O#69/2025

OLD BUSINESS: REVIEWED PENDING ISSUE FROM PUBLIC SPEAKS

PUBLIC SPEAKS: KIM BELL SPOKE ABOUT AN INCIDENT WITH THE MAYOR 'S FATHER AT A DEMOCRATIC EVENT. DANIEL GATES SPOKE ABOUT PUBLIC SPEAKS RULES. ROGER GATES SPOKE ABOUT HOW DIVIDED THE COUNCIL IS FROM THE COMMUNITY. STARR FEAR SPOKE ABOUT THE COST OF LIVING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING. JOSHUA BROWN SPOKE ABOUT AN INCIDENT HE HAD AT JOBS AND FAMILY SERVICES. KEITH DOUTHETT IS CONCERNED ON WHY HE CAN'T GET A COPY OF THE CITY'S DEMOLITION LIST. JUSTIN NICELY SPOKE ABOUT HOW THE CITY NEEDS TO DO BETTER BY THE CHILDREN. SKYLARK BRUCE SPOKE ABOUT COUNCIL'S DECORUM RULE AND RESPONDED TO WHAT WAS SAID IN OLD BUSINESS ON 3/31/25.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION DATED 3/31/25. – AUDITOR MALLONN
2. REQ FOR ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATE DATED 3/31/25. - AUDITOR MALLONN
3. REQ COUNCIL TO AUTH CREATION OF CHAPTER 1304 - FEES; PLANS EXAMINATIONS, PERMIT APPLICATIONS, AND INSPECTIONS FOR BUILDING DEPT AND UPDATING ANY SECTIONS OF CODE AFFECTED. - LAW DIRECTOR REESE
4. REQ AMENDMENT OF ORD #40/2000, EXHIBIT A, ALLOWING FOR LATERAL HIRES (POLICE DEPT.). - SAFETY DIRECTOR PERRY
5. REQ LEG FOR CIVIC CENTER AND CULTURAL CENTER MARQUEE SIGNS; EMERGENCY (\$300,000.00 SUPP APPROP TO 2175 203001 CIVIC CENTER - ADMINISTRATION - OTHER). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
6. REQ LEQ FOR BOOSTED ZONE ANALYSIS AND IMPROVEMENT PROJ. - ANALYSIS PHASE; EMERGENCY (\$124,600.00 SUPP APPROP TO 5201 207096 BOOSTED ZONE ANALYSIS AND IMPROVEMENT PROJ - OTHER). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
7. CANTON WATER DEPT 2024 ANNUAL REPORT. – WATER SUPERINTENDENT CONVERSE

FIRST READINGS:

8. APPROVE STATEMENT OF SERV BE PROVIDED TO PROP OWNERS IN TRUMP & LINCOLN - 2025 ANNEXATION AREA, APPROX DATE SERV WILL BE PROVIDED, PROCEDURE FOR INCOMPATIBLE ZONING USES UPON BEING ANNEXED TO CITY; EMERGENCY (ANNEX OF 16.512 ACRES). - ANNEXATION COMMITTEE
9. AMEND APPROP O#55/2025;EMERGENCY (\$50,000 SUPP APPROP FR 5413 206324 CSD ADMIN BLDG MODIFICATION - OTHER TO 5413 202070 42-INCH WESTSIDE INTERCEPTOR REHAB - OTHER.);(\$28,220.00 SUPP APPROP FR 4501 20204 30TH ST. NE RESURFACING - OTHER 4501 202044 30TH ST. NW RESURFACING GP 1238 - OTHER). - FINANCE & PUBLIC PROPERTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEES

(COUNCIL RECESSED AT 7:36 PM FOR THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS O#10; RECONVENED AT 7:41 PM)

10. **68/2025** AMEND O#40/2000, AS AMENDED, TO ESTABLISH ATTACHED EXHIBIT AS THE PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICERS' INITIAL SALARY AND ALLOW SAF DIR TO SET SALARY OF PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER AT WAGE STEP COMMENSURATE WITH CANDIDATE'S EXPERIENCE; EMERGENCY. - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE*

***Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for First Reading Vote**

SECOND READINGS: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 2ND RDG O#11 & O#12)

11. AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO EXECUTE PROF SERVS CONTRACT WITH VENDANTAS, LLC FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING FOR BROAD AVE NW AREA WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJ; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY MORAL OBS FOR CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS; AMEND 2025 FINAL BUDGET ORD.; EMERGENCY (\$110,000 SUPP APPROP FR 5201 WATER WORKS FUND TO 5201 207095 BROAD AVE NW WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJ - OTHER). - FIN
12. AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO EXECUTE THREE-YEAR PROF SERVS/FUNDING CONTRACT WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY EAST CENTRAL OHIO IN AMT OF \$150,000 PER YEAR FOR GARAGE CONSTRUCTION AND HOME REHAB; EMERGENCY. - FIN

***Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for Second Reading Vote**

THIRD READINGS:

13. **69/2025** AMEND O#55/77, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS CITY OF CANTON ZONING ORD; EMERGENCY (KAITLYN SHEPHERD FOR FAITH BIBLE CHURCH @ 1203 WERTZ AVE. NW). **PUB HRG 4/7/25 @ 7:00 PM**
14. **70/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGMTS WITH GOODFETHER, LLC BOLT BREWING REAL ESTATE LLC, AND HILSCHER-CLARKE ELECTRIC CO. TO PROVIDE REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS; JOB CREATION AND RETENTION TAX INCENTIVE AGMT WITH HILSCHER-CLARKE ELECTRIC CO. FOR UP TO 60% OF INCOME TAXES NOT TO EXCEED 10 YEARS; EMERGENCY.
15. **71/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 22646 AND 22647; EMERGENCY (HABITAT FOR HUMANITY @ 618 GOBEL AVE NE).
16. **72/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SAF DIR TO ACCEPT \$7,500.00 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM USPCA AKC REUNITE K9 GRANT AND ENTER CONTRACT FOR PURCH OF ONE POLICE K9; AMEND 2025 FINAL BUDGET ORD; EMERGENCY (\$7,500 SUPP APPROP FR 1001 GENERAL OPERATING FUND TO 1001 102001 POLICE ADMIN - OTHER).
17. **73/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ADVERTISE, REC BIDS, AWARD AND EXECUTE PROF SERVS CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT SERVS AND ENTER CONTRACTS FOR CROMER RESERVOIR IMPROVEMENT PROJ; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY MORAL OBS FOR CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS; REC LOAN; REVENUE PROCEEDS AND TRACK PROJ EXPENSES CREATING 5242 CROMER RESERVOIR IMPROVEMENT PROJ FUND; EMERGENCY.
18. **74/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO APPLY, ACCEPT, AND ENTER WATER SUPPLY REVOLVING LOAN ACCOUNT FOR DRINKING WATER FACILITIES; DESIGNATING REPAYMENT SOURCE FOR LOAN; EMERGENCY.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025 @ 6:45 PM

ANNEXATION COMMITTEE

FINANCE & PUBLIC PROPERTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEES

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: MEMBER MORRIS ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY WE COULD GET ANNUAL REPORTS AS A PDF INSTEAD OF PAPER. MEMBER GIAVASIS SPOKE TO COUNCIL ABOUT WANTING A COPY OF RULE #16 ATTACHED TO ALL AGENDAS FOR THE PUBLIC. PRESIDENT AYLWARD TOLD MEMBER GIAVASIS IT WOULD BE DISCUSSED.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:55 PM

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025 @ 7:00 PM