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FINAL AGENDA
September 29, 2025
7:00 PM

ROLL CALL: ELEVEN MEMBERS PRESENT

MOTION TO EXCUSE MEMBERS: PRESIDENT BATES ALYWARD AND MEMBER KIMBROUGH ABSENT

INVOCATION: FRANK MORRIS, WARD 9 COUNCIL MEMBER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: PRESIDENT PRO TEM MARIOL

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 1ST RDG O#10 AND O#11; 2ND RDG. O#12 - O#18; O#10 AND O#11 ADOPTED ON 1ST RDG; O#16 - O#18 ADOPTED ON 2ND RDG; O#174/2025 RECONSIDERED AND AMENDED; O#24, O#28 AND O#29 ADOPTED AS AMENDED)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 7:00 PM - AUTHORIZE CANTON TO ANNEX THE TERRITORY KNOWN AS THE WHIPPLE AVE SW NO. 1 - 2024 ANNEXATION AREA CONTAINING APPROX 1.634 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; ASSIGNING SAID TERRITORY TO WARD 3 OF THE CITY; ZONING SAID TERRITORY AS B-6 SHOPPING CENTER DISTRICT AND R-1A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (NO SPEAKERS) SEE O#188/2025; 7:01 PM - AUTHORIZE CANTON TO ANNEX THE TERRITORY KNOWN AS THE WHIPPLE AVE SW NO. 2 - 2024 ANNEXATION AREA CONTAINING APPROX .0172 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; ASSIGNING SAID TERRITORY TO WARD 3 OF THE CITY; ZONING SAID TERRITORY AS R-1A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (2 SPEAKERS) SEE O#189/2025

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC SPEAKS: BENNETT PARKER, ROGER GATES, ROSE RIEHL, LEON RYSAK, MARIE RYSAK, SHAUNA KIRBY, RANAE ULRICH, LARINDA JOHNSON. JENNIFER ARIMAN, STEPHANIE FERRELL, JAMES GIBSON, JOSEPH CALE AND ALYSSA HARRAH EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERNS WITH THE CAMPING BAN AND URGED COUNCIL TO RECONSIDER THE ORDINANCE. DAVID KERESTES GAVE SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO KEEP THE COMMUNITY CLEAN. DANIEL GATES SPOKE ABOUT CITY VIOLATIONS. CHAIS ROSS AND LAMONICA

YOUNG INVITED EVERYONE TO THEIR CHASING HOPE HOUSE EVENT THAT WILL BE HELD AT DISTRICT ONE ELEVEN, OCT 3RD FROM 5 PM TO 8 PM. CHAMONE RUSSELL SPOKE ABOUT HER EXPERIENCES WITH CPD AND CPS.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. REQ REPAYMENT OF FUNDS TO SEWER OPERATING FUND; EMERGENCY (\$751,493.61 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF FUND 5442 WRF PHOSPHORUS PROJECT FUND TO 5442 206055 SHOOK CONST INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER). - FINANCE DIRECTOR CROUSE
2. RPT OF DEPOSITS AND PAY-INS TO AMBULANCE LOCK BOX FOR AUGUST, 2025. - FIRE DIVISION CHIEF STEVE HENDERSON
3. REQ TO ENTER INTO PLEDGE AND SECURITY AGMT, DECLARATION; EMERGENCY (HALL OF FAME RESORT & ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY). - MAYOR SHERER
4. APPROVE WARD ASSIGNMENT AND ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THE 2625 MARET ST NE - 2025 ANNEXATION (B-3 - GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, WARD 6). - PLANNING SECRETARY BAILEY
5. REQ OHIO TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICE IDEP/STEP GRANT; EMERGENCY (\$58,771.98 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 1001 GENERAL OPERATING FUND TO 1001 102001 - POLICE ADMIN - PERSONNEL). - SAFETY DIRECTOR PERRY
6. WITHDRAW COM #2 FROM 9-22-25 AGENDA (CANTON CODIFIED ORDINANCE 1166.03 - FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
7. REQ PROPERTIES TO BE CERTIFIED TO COUNTY AUDITOR FOR LIENS DUE TO UNPAID URBAN FORESTRY INVOICES; EMERGENCY. - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
8. REQ CLERK TO CERTIFY LIST OF UNPAID AND DELINQUENT CHARGES FOR WATER, SEWER, AND/OR SANITATION SERVICES TO COUNTY AUDITOR; EMERGENCY. - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN

FIRST READINGS:

9. AUTH ORD REPEALING CHPT 789, MEDICAL MARIJUANA ENTITIES AND 790, ADULT USE CANNABIS CONTROL, OF PART SEVEN BUSINESS REGULATION CODE OF COD ORD. - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

(COUNCIL RECESSED AT 8:20 PM FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS O#10 AND O#11; RECONVENED AT 8:25 PM)

10. **183/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER INTO PLEDGE AND SECURITY AGMT, DECLARATION AND ALL NECESSARY AGMTS FOR SECURITY INTEREST REGARDING \$5 MILLION DOLLAR LOAN; EMERGENCY (HALL OF FAME RESORT & ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY). - FINANCE COMMITTEE*
11. **184/2025** AMEND APPROP O#55/2025; EMERGENCY (\$58,771.98 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 1001 GENERAL OPERATING FUND TO 1001 102001 POLICE ADMIN PERSONNEL). - FINANCE COMMITTEE*

***ORDINANCES AND FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING VOTE**

SECOND READINGS: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 2ND RDG O#12 - O#18; O#16 - O#18 ADOPTED)

12. AUTH AMEND O#55/77 AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS CITY ZONING ORD; EMERGENCY (1401 32ND ST NW - FR R-4 & R-LA TO R-LA - PARCEL NO. 302088; 3400 BLOCK OF LESH RD NE - FR R-LA TO B-3 - PARCEL NOS. 306193, 306171, 304742, & 301742; 2000 BLOCK OF KIMBALL RD SE - FR R-2 TO I-1 - PARCEL NOS. 223418, 223417, 217976, 217975, 217974, 217973, 282525, 282527, 282528, & 282530; BROWN & MCGREGOR NW - FR I-1 TO B-3 - PARCEL NOS. 245138, 244083, 299281, 285783, 211080, 211078, 206674, 10019337, 233014, 215401, 218967, 209370, 209371, 233015, 208120, 205863, 237501, 213995, 211076, 209560, & 201304). - JUDICIARY COMMITTEE **PUB HRG 10/6/25 @ 7:00 PM;** EMERGENCY. - JUD
13. AMEND APPROP O#55/2025; EMERGENCY (\$70,000.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2324 HARM REDUCTION FUND TO 2324 301001 HEALTH ADMIN - OTHER - \$20,000.00; TO 2324 308011 - OTHER HEALTH GRANTS - OTHER - \$50,000.00; \$25,000.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2316 WIC TO 2316 301001 HEALTH ADMIN - OTHER). - FIN
14. AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER PROFESSIONAL SERVS CONTRACT WITH OHM ADVISORS FOR SS4A SAFETY ACTION PLAN, GP 1426 AND ENTER CONTRACTS TO FACILITATE THE PROJ; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY MORAL FOR OBS RELATED CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF CONTROL PURSUANT TO CANTON COD ORC 105.14; AMEND APPROP O#55/2025; EMERGENCY (\$248,000.00 APPROP TRF FR 2113 202054 THE O'JAYS PKWY, NE IMPROV TO 2113 202076 SS4A SAFETY ACTION PLAN GP 1426; \$62,000.00 APPROP TRF FR 4501 202001 ENGINEERING ADMIN - OTHER TO 4501 202076 SS4A SAFETY ACTION PLAN GP 1426). - FIN & PPCI
15. AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH THAYER POWER AND COMMUNICATION IN EST AMT OF \$14,371.90 FOR CITY/COUNTY FIBER NETWORK PROJ; ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH BOARD OF ST. CO COMMISSIONERS FOR THEIR PORTION OF THE PROJ; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY ALL MORAL OBS NEEDED FOR PROJ AS RESULT OF AGMTS WITH ST. CO. OR ABOVE CHANGE ORDER; EMERGENCY. - FIN

16. **185/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SAF DIR TO ENTER CONTRACTS WITH BERTOLINI TRUCKING TO RESPOND TO THE DEMO OF 820 HIGH AVE NW IN, AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,200.00; EMERGENCY. - FIN*
17. **186/2025** AUTH CLERK OF COUNCIL TO CERTIFY TO COUNTY AUDITOR UNPAID AND DELINQUENT CHARGES FOR BOARD UP/CLEAN UP/DEMOLITION CHARGES; EMERGENCY. - FIN*
18. **187/2025** AUTH LAW DIR TO RAISE ATTORNEY KATE LUKOSAVICH'S SALARY FR \$66,414.00 TO \$75,000.00 AND ELISE HAMILTON'S SALARY FR \$76,414.00 TO \$80,234.00, RETRO TO 9/6/25; EMERGENCY. - PERS*

***ORDINANCES AND FORMAL RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING VOTE**

THIRD READINGS:

19. **RECONSIDERED AND AMENDED AS**
174/2025 AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ENTER EASEMENT AGMT WITH AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE TO TIMKEN GATE HOUSE; EMERGENCY.
20. **188/2025** AUTH CANTON TO ANNEX TERRITORY KNOWN AS THE WHIPPLE AVE SW NO. 1 - 2024 ANNEX CONTAINING APPROX 1.634 ACRES MORE OR LESS; ASSIGNING SAID TERRITORY TO WARD 3; ZONING TERRITORY B-6 SHOPPING DISTRICT CENTER DISTRICT AND R-1A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; EMERGENCY. **PUB HRG 9/29/25 @7:00 PM**
21. **189/2025** AUTH CANTON TO ANNEX TERRITORY KNOWN AS THE WHIPPLE AVE SW NO. 2 - 2024 ANNEX CONTAINING APPROX .0172 ACRES MORE OR LESS; ASSIGNING SAID TERRITORY TO WARD 3; ZONING TERRITORY R-1A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; EMERGENCY. **PUB HRG 9/29/25 @7:01 PM**
22. **190/2025** AMEND O#55/2025; EMERGENCY (\$160,000.00 SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2413 COURT'S COMPUTER FUND TO 2413 702001 CLERK OF COURT ADMIN - OTHER).
23. **191/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR TO ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD, AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR SALE OF CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY, NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES; EMERGENCY (PARCEL #285773).
24. **AMENDED AS**
192/2025 AMEND APPROP O#55/2025; EMERGENCY (VARIOUS SUPP APPROPS, SUPP APPROP TRFS, INTER-FUND TRFS).
25. **193/2025** AUTH TO VACATE A PORTION OF 12' UNNAMED ALLEY FROM SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF 5TH ST SW TO NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF 6TH ST SW ALONG WITH PORTION OF A 10' ALLEY (JOANN PI SW) FROM THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID 12' UNNAMED ALLEY TO BE VACATED TO WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CECIL CT SW: APPROVE REPLAT OF LOTS 3772, 3773,

3774, 3775, 3776, 3777, 3778, 3779, 3780, 3781, 3782, 3783, 3784, 3785, 29908, 29909, AND THE VACATED 12' UNNAMED ALLEY AND THE VACATED PORTION OF THE 10' ALLEY (JO ANN PI SW); EMERGENCY (RICH MOTTS, WARD 4). - PS&T **PUB HRG WAIVED**

26. **194/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SAF DIR TO ENTER CONTRACTS WITH LIBERTY DEMOLITION & SALVAGE TO RESPOND TO DEMOLITION/BASE REMOVAL OF 1201/1203 EAST TUSC ST IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$57,700; EMERGENCY.
27. **195/2025** AUTH SERV DIR TO HIRE ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION MANAGER WITHIN ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT UNTIL RETIREMENT OF CURRENT CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR TRAINING; EMERGENCY.
28. **AMENDED AS**
196/2025 AMEND O#262/2015, AS SUPPLEMENTED AND AMENDED BY O#145/2017 AND O#140/2015, TO EXTEND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING EXEMPTIONS GRANTED FOR PARCELS FOR ADDT'L 30 YRS; AUTH ADDT'L INSTRUMENTS, AGMTS, CERTS, AND OTHER DOCS; ALL CONTINGENT UPON A PERSONAL GUARANTEE FROM STUART LICHTER OR CORPORATE GUARANTEE FROM INDUSTRIAL REALTY GROUP; EMERGENCY.
29. **AMENDED AS**
197/2025 APPROVE AMENDMENT TO PETITION SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR SPECIAL ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND AN AMENDMENT TO SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN FOR CANTON REGIONAL ENERGY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT UNDER CHPT 1710; AMEND SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AUTH AND LEVIED UNDER O#232/2023 FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN CITY OF CANTON IN COOPERATION WITH THE CANTON REGIONAL ENERGY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; APPROVE AN UPDATED ENERGY PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGMT WITH IMPROVEMENTS AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; ALL CONTINGENT UPON GUARANTEE FROM STUART LICHTER OR CORPORATE GUARANTEE FROM INDUSTRIAL REALTY GROUP; EMERGENCY.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025 @ 6:45 PM
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS: MAYOR SHERER INVITED EVERYONE TO THE TRUNK OR TREATS AT STADIUM PARK, OCTOBER 30TH FROM 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM AND EDWARD "PEEL" COLEMAN COMMUNITY CENTER, NOVEMBER 1ST FROM 3:00 PM TO 6:00 PM.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: 8:59

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025 @ 7:00 PM