



**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2024
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
209 S. WASHINGTON STREET
KAUFMAN, TEXAS 75142**

BUDGET WORK SESSION A Work Session is used to explore matters of interest to one or more City Council Members or the City Manager for the purpose of giving staff direction on whether or not such matters should be placed on a future regular or special meeting of the Council for citizen's input, City Council deliberation and formal City action. Although Work Sessions are public meetings, and citizens have a legal right to attend, they are not public hearings, so citizens are not allowed to participate in the session.

CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER Mayor calls the Work Session to order, states the date and time, states Councilmembers present, and declares a quorum present.**

Mayor Jordan called the Budget Work Session to order at 6:00 PM. Councilmembers present were Jeff Jordan, Matt Phillips, Quattro Borders, Ashlea Longenecker, Charles Gillenwater, and Jason Nelson. Councilmember Lisa Parker joined the meeting at 6:08 PM. Mayor Jordan declared a quorum present. Also, present were City Manager Mike Holder, Assistant City Manager Rachel Balthrop Mendoza, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Finance Director Mary Wennerstrom, Finance Manager LaJohnna Wells, Public Works Director Tim Hopwood, Economic Development Director Stewart McGregor, Development Services Director Andrew Bogda, Human Resources Coordinator Sharna Ellis, Fire Chief Ronnie Davis, Fire Captain Ferris Watson, Police Captain Colter Leftwich, and Police Chief Les Edwards.

1. Discuss and provide direction to staff regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 City of Kaufman Budget.

Mr. Holder presented an overview of the current FY 24 adopted budget and the accomplishments from this year. He gave an update on the review of the various funds as well as revenues for FY 25. He reviewed the proposed FY25 operations increase for the general fund. He informed the Council about the proposed water, sewer, trash disposal, and drainage rates increase for FY25. There were discussions regarding the proposed employee compensation increases, and employee benefits. He reviewed the proposed infrastructure projects for FY 25 including Crestview & Royal Reconstruction, Phillips/9th Street Drainage Area, City Lakes Park, 34 Water Line Extension, updated impact fee study, and Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements. He presented the capital and fleet requests from the departments for FY 25. There were discussions regarding the city's support of non-profits, updating the comprehensive plan, and an overview of the funds for FY 25 budget. There were discussions regarding the tax rate calculations, the tax rate history, and the proposed tax rate.

WORK SESSION ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Jordan adjourned the Budget Work Session at 6:55 PM.

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CALL MEETING TO ORDER Mayor calls the Meeting to order, states the date and time, states Councilmembers present, and declares a quorum present.**

Mayor Jordan called the City Council meeting to order at 6:56 PM. Councilmembers present were Jeff Jordan, Matt Phillips, Quattro Borders, Ashlea Longenecker, Charles Gillenwater, Lisa Parker, and Jason Nelson. Mayor Jordan declared a quorum present. Also, present were City Manager Mike Holder, Assistant City Manager Rachel Balthrop Mendoza, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Finance Director Mary Wennerstrom, Finance Manager LaJohnna Wells, Public Works Director Tim Hopwood, Economic Development Director Stewart McGregor, Development Services Director Andrew Bogda, Human Resources Coordinator Sharna Ellis, Fire Chief Ronnie Davis, Fire Captain Ferris Watson, Police Captain Colter Leftwich, and Police Chief Les Edwards.

CITIZENS COMMENTS / REQUEST TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS (5 MINUTES) Comments about any of the Council agenda items may be taken into consideration at this time or during the agenda item. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes per individual unless additional time is otherwise required by law for translation. Speaking time is not transferable. Citizens may address the City Council on any subject but must first complete a Request to Speak Form so that the Mayor may call your name to speak at the appropriate time on the Agenda. Comments must be directed to the Council as a whole. **When addressing the Council, please step forward to the speaker's podium, state your name and address, and direct your comments to the Mayor and City Council.**

No comments were given.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

2. Consider and take appropriate action on Ordinance O-17-24, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, approving the 2024 Certified Property Tax Values for the City of Kaufman, Texas.

Mayor Pro-Tem Phillips made a motion to approve Ordinance O-17-24, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, approving the 2024 Certified Property Tax Values for the City of Kaufman, Texas as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Parker and passed 7/0.

3. Consider and take appropriate action on a proposed, not to exceed Property Tax Rate of **\$0.7600000**, calling for a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote on the Property Tax Rate for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142.

Councilmember Gillenwater made a motion to approve a not to exceed Property Tax Rate of **\$0.7600000**, and calling for a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote on the Property Tax Rate for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nelson and passed 7/0.

4. Consider and take appropriate action on setting the date, time, and place for a public hearing regarding the City's Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget, for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote on the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142.

Councilmember Nelson made a motion to set the date, time, and place for a public hearing regarding the City's Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget, for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote on the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Borders and passed 7/0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Jordan adjourned the meeting at 6:58 PM.

ATTEST:

JEFF JORDAN
MAYOR

JESSIE HANKS
CITY SECRETARY

