



**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021 -
12:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
209 S. WASHINGTON STREET
KAUFMAN, TEXAS 75142**

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 12:26 PM. Councilmembers present were Patty Patterson, Carole Aga, Jeff Council, Barry Ratcliffe, Lisa Parker, Jeff Jordan and Matt Phillips. Mayor Jordan declared a quorum present. Also present were City Manager Mike Slye, Assistant City Manager Mike Holder, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Interim City Secretary Myra Manriquez, Finance Director Mary Wennerstrom, Public Works Director Tim Hopwood, Police Chief Dana Whitaker, Police Captain Les Edwards, Fire Chief Ronnie Davis and Fire Lieutenant Jeremy Hatcher.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Jordan recessed into Executive Session at 12:29 PM.

1. The City Council will recess into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code for an executive session regarding the following:
 - a. § 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Manager

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.

2. Consider and take appropriate action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

Mayor Jordan reconvened the open session at 1:08 PM.

Councilmember Ratcliffe made a motion to adjust the City Managers compensation as of October 1, 2021 by 3.4%. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Aga and passed 7/0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

3. Consider and take appropriate action on Ordinance O-35-21, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Kaufman, approving the 2021 Certified Property Tax Values for the City of Kaufman, Texas.

Councilmember Ratcliffe made a motion to approve Ordinance O-35-21 approving the 2021 Certified Property Tax Values. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Parker and passed 7/0.

4. Consider and take appropriate action on a proposed, not to exceed, Property Tax Rate of \$0.8216760, calling for public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 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, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142.

Councilmember Council made a motion to approve the not to exceed, Property Tax Rate of \$0.8216760, calling for public hearing for Monday, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 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, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Aga and passed 7/0.

5. Consider and take appropriate action on setting the date, time, and place for public hearing regarding the City's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget, on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote for Monday, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142.

Councilmember Aga made a motion to set a public hearing regarding the City's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget, on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas, 75142, and setting the date for the vote for Monday, September 13, 2021 to be held at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 209 S. Washington St., Kaufman, Texas 75142. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Patterson and passed 7/0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jordan adjourned the Special City Council Meeting at 1:14 PM.

CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION NOTE: 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 into whether or not such matters should be placed on a future regular or special meeting of the Council for citizens input, City Council deliberation and formal City action. At a work session, the City Council generally receives informal and preliminary reports and information from City staff, officials, members of City committees, and the individual or organization proposing Council action, if invited by City Council or City Manager to participate in the session. Participation by individuals and members of organizations invited to speak ceases when the Mayor announces the session is being closed to public input. 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 unless invited to do so by the Mayor. Any citizen may supply to the City Council, prior to the beginning of the session, a written report regarding the citizen's opinion on the matter being explored. Should the Council direct the matter be placed on a regular meeting agenda, the staff will generally prepare a final report defining the proposed action, which will be made available to all citizens prior to the regular meeting at which citizen input is sought. The purpose of this procedure is to allow citizens attending the regular meeting the opportunity to hear the views of their fellow citizens without having to attend two meetings.

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 City Council meeting to order at 1:14 PM. Councilmembers present were Patty Patterson, Carole Aga, Jeff Council, Barry Ratcliffe, Lisa Parker, Jeff Jordan. Mayor Jordan declared a quorum present. Also present were City Manager Mike Slye, Assistant City Manager Mike Holder, City Attorney Patricia Adams, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Finance Director Mary Wennerstrom, Public Works Director Richard Underwood, Police Chief Dana Whitaker, and Police Captain Les Edwards.

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City Manager Mike Slye, Assistant City Manager Mike Holder, City Secretary Jessie Hanks, Interim City Secretary Myra Manriquez, Finance Director Mary Wennerstrom, Public Works Director Tim Hopwood, Police Chief Dana Whitaker, Police Captain Les Edwards, Fire Chief Ronnie Davis and Fire Lieutenant Jeremy Hatcher.

6. Discuss and provide direction to staff regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 City of Kaufman Budget.

Mr. Slye presented the historical taxable values, the calculated tax rates, the tax rate history and the proposed tax rate. He reviewed the fiscal year 2021-2022 budget factors including the appraised valued, proposed tax rates, and surpluses. There were discussions about the budget requests, fleet management, and Capital Improvement Projects. Mr. Slye outlined the status of the AMI water meter program. Storm drainage projects and street maintenance projects were discussed.

Mayor Jordan recessed into a break at 2:39 PM. Mayor Jordan reconvened the meeting at 2:53 PM.

Mr. Slye informed Council about the northeast utility project and the properties associated with the project. He reviewed the final decision points for the proposed budget.

- a. AMI Water Meters
- b. Northeast Utilities

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Jordan adjourned the meeting at 3:50 PM.

ATTEST:

JEFF JORDAN
MAYOR

JESSIE HANKS
CITY SECRETARY

