

CANTON CITY COUNCIL

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Council At Large:

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Ward Council Members:

Greg Hawk, Ward 1
Brenda Kimbrough, Ward 2
Jason Scaglione, Ward 3
Chris Smith, Ward 4
Robert Fisher, Ward 5
Kevin Hall, Ward 6
John Mariol, Ward 7 - **Majority Leader**
Richard Sacco, Ward 8
Frank Morris, Ward 9

FINAL AGENDA
January 22, 2024
7:00 PM

Roll Call: Eleven Members Present

Motion to Excuse Members: Member Hawk Absent

Invocation: Crystal Smith, Council Member-at-Large

Pledge of Allegiance: President Bates Aylward

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (Suspended Rule 22A to add 2nd Rdg O#50 - O#53; O#53 Adopted on 2nd Rdg)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC SPEAKS: Patricia Kirk spoke about Project Flower Power for which she was given grant money in 2011 to plant flowers, trees, etc. in what was then Central Plaza. She would like to see Canton go back to projects such as that. Richard Manson said that he was cited by the Building/Code Department for siding his house without the proper permits. He said that he did everything that the Building Department told him to do regarding permits, and he is requesting that any fines be removed. Thomas West, on behalf of the Stark County Urban League, thanked Council for their financial support of the Southeast Community Center, which has greatly served the community for years. He introduced some of his navigators from the Urban League, two of whom also spoke. Armon Cook shared information regarding job placement, and Liza Grossman spoke about their Employment Navigator Program. She said that out of 113 candidates who gained employment in 2023, 68% of those jobs were in the city of Canton. Kim Bell spoke again about the problems with Stark Metropolitan Housing and asked Council to please address these issues.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS:

1. Personnel Committee: Confirm appt of Mr. Milton Young to Zoning Board of Appeals commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/26. - Adopted

2. Personnel Committee: Confirm appt of Mr. Jeff Dafler to Tax Incentive Review Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
3. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Ms. Janelle Lee to Tax Incentive Review Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
4. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. David Beck to Architectural Review Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/27. - Adopted
5. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. Stuart Kraft to Canton Construction Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/26. - Adopted
6. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Ms. Lisa Sims to Canton Construction Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/26. - Adopted
7. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Ms. Angela Moody to Fair Housing Commission commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/28. - Adopted
8. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Dr. James Johns to Canton City Board of Health commencing 4/1/24 to 3/31/29. - Adopted
9. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Ms. Dawn M. Devine to Investment Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
10. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. Patrick McCarthy to Investment Board commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
11. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Ms. Rebecca Eagle-Malone to Canton Tree Commission commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
12. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. Jeffrey Brown to Canton Tree Commission commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
13. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. Jim Griffin to Canton Tree Commission commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Adopted
14. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. Carl Bliss to Canton Tree Commission commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/24. - Adopted
15. Personnel Committee: Confirm reappt of Mr. John Lucas, Jr. to Zoning Board of Appeals commencing retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/26. - Adopted
16. Majority Leader Mariol: Auth purch of a heavy-duty trailer for Water Dept. - Adopted
17. Majority Leader Mariol: Auth purch of Technical Rescue tow vehicle with lighting, equipment, and installation for Fire Dept. - Adopted

COMMUNICATIONS:

18. Rpt of deposits and pay-ins to Ambulance Lock Box of December 2023. - Chief Bennett

19. Req funding approval for Canton Community Improvement Corp. (CCIC) for 2-yr period retro from 1/1/24 to 12/31/25. - Finance Director Crouse
20. Req to amend approp O#227/2023; emergency (Various supp approps, inter-fund adv, and inter-fund repayment). - Finance Director Crouse
21. Req to raise Prosecutors Katie Lukosavich, Jonathan Cope, and Luke Hamilton's salary by \$7,364. - Law Director Reese
22. Auth reappt of Mr. Chris Hardesty to Stark County Regional Planning Commission commencing retro from 1/4/24 to 12/31/25. - Mayor Sherer
23. Ltr advising reappt of Mr. Robert Fay to Income Tax Review Board as long as Mayor Sherer serves as Mayor of Canton, Ohio. - Mayor Sherer
24. Req Councilmember John Mariol be appointed to JEDD Board of Trustees (Stolle JEDD) commencing 1/29/24 for a 4 yr term. - Mayor Sherer
25. Req Councilmember John Mariol to be appointed to JEDD Board of Trustees (Stark State JEDD) commencing 1/29/24 for a 4 yr term. - Mayor Sherer
26. Req to amend Section 1305.01 (a) of Chpt 1305, Board of Building Appeals of Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton (Residency and Composition of Board) - Mayor Sherer
27. Req replat of Part of Lot 118, Part of Lot 119, and Part of Lot 120, Parcel 248083, Ward 2 (John Boyett for DCLB Corp, 200 blk of Walnut Ave NE). - Planning Commission
28. Req replat of All of Outlot 573 and Part of Lots 23588 - 23590 and Part of Lots 35138, Parcels 280021, 284896, 284862, 280235, 280205, 280206, & 280207, Ward 6 (CCSD, 2525 19th St. NE). - Planning Commission
29. Req replat of Outlot 1495 & Part of Lot 42485 and Lots 42485 and 42486, Parcel 10016277, Ward 6 (Carolann Graening Cope and Clyde Alvin Miller, 3715 Harmont Ave NE). - Planning Commission
30. Req replat of Lots 9022 and 9023, Parcels 200744 & 206331, Ward 4 (Habitat for Humanity, 412 & 414 Watson PL SE). - Planning Commission
31. Req replat of Lots 24382 and 24383, Parcel 242873, Ward 6 (Habitat for Humanity, 2340 21st NE). - Planning Commission
32. Req replat of Lots 4994 and 4995, Parcel 245225, Ward 5 (Habitat for Humanity, 909 Prospect Ave. SW). - Planning Commission
33. Req lighting and equipment for Technical Rescue tow vehicle for Fire Dept. - Safety Director Perry
34. Req Ohio Department of Transportation STA SR 43/172 14.4VAR, PID 101269 - GP1245 (West Tusc., Market Ave., and Walnut Ave. Paving); emergency. - Service Director Highman

35. Req Cooperative Agrmt with Stark County for STA-CR-225 Perry Drive NW Widening and Water Main Replacement Proj; emergency (supp approp fr Water Fund to Perry Dr NW Main Replacement Proj). - Service Director High
36. Req Substantial Amendment to the 2023 Annual Action Plan; emergency - Service Director Highman
37. Req purchase of trucks for Collections Systems Dept; emergency. - Service Director Highman
38. Req Water Dept Vehicle Purch; emergency. - Service Director Highman
39. Req Interstate Trailer for Water Dept Service Shop. - Service Director Highman
40. Req 11th St SE Intersection and Rdwy Improvements Prj, GP 1144, PID 90465 - ODOT Funding Adjustment; emergency (supp approp 11th St Improvement Proj, GP 1144 fund to 11th St. Improv Proj GP 1144 - Other). - Service Director Highman
41. Rpts of Bank Reconciliations and Outstanding Investments as of 12/29/23. - Treasurer Perez
42. Rpt of Parking Meter Revenue for 12/29/23. - Treasurer Perez

FIRST READINGS:

43. Amend O#40/2000, as amended, The Classification Plan for Bargaining Unit Personnel; emergency.- Personnel Committee
44. Amend O#100/2011, as amended, The Classification Plan for Non-Bargaining Unit Personnel; emergency. - Personnel Committee
45. Auth contract with listed cities, villages, and entity to provide legal representation in prosecution of criminal cases; emergency. - Finance Committee
46. Auth contract with the Stark County Public Defender Commission for provision of legal servs to indigents; emergency. - Finance Committee
47. Re-establish the Storefront Reinvestment Program; Auth grant agrmts amount of Issue 13 Comprehensive Plan Funds; emergency. - Finance Committee
48. Re-establish Public Realm Reinvestment Program; Auth contracts with approved Public Realm Business amount of Issue 13 Comprehensive Plan Funds; emergency. - Finance Committee
49. Approve Canton City water main extension to The Christ Foundation; Auth agrmts for extension of said water main; emergency. - Environmental & Public Utilities Committee

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

SECOND READINGS: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 2ND RDG O#50 - O#53; O#53 ADOPTED)

50. Auth agrmt for and accept \$300,000.00 from Republic Steel and all necessary contracts to implement programs in accordance with final judgment order; emergency. - FIN
51. Auth Clerk of Council to certify to County Auditor unpaid and delinquent charges for servs performed by and/or on behalf of Building/Code Dept during calendar year 2023 for board up/clean up/demo charges; emergency. - FIN
52. Auth and consent to sign replacements on US-30, US-62, SR-43D, SR-153, SR-687 and SR-800 within City of Canton; emergency. - PS&T
53. **6/2024** Auth contract amendment with YWCA of Canton for facility improvements using CDBG funds; emergency. - FIN*

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

THIRD READINGS: None

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, January 29, 2024 in Council Chambers @ 6:30 PM

Finance Committee

Environmental & Public Utilities Committee

Personnel Committee

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Mayor Sherer said that, while there wasn't a plan in place for warming shelters during this past cold spell, there will be a plan moving forward. They also plan to update their disaster response plan. Service Director Highman said that with the potential ice storm that is being predicted, the Street Department will be out in full force, and he encouraged everyone who has to be out to please be cautious. He thanked AFSCME 2937, the Street Department and the DMV for their work in these hazardous conditions. He also thanked Council for their support over the years. Member Morris thanked the Mayor and the Service Director for getting the warming shelters in place and getting the roads cleared. He spoke against the proposed tempered glass being put up across the wall between the horseshoe and the audience. He said that it will not only block sound, but will separate them from their constituents. Because he is in the glass and glazing industry, he believes it will end up falling down or collapsing the wall. Member Scaglione announced that there will be a Canton Rotary Club meeting on January 26th at noon where Mayor Sherer will be the guest speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:26 PM

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2024 AT 7:00 PM