



CITY OF OVERTON

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 3, 2021

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call – Mayor Evans called the workshop to order at 6:37 p.m. Council member Thompson arrived at 6:45 p.m. All others were present.

B. WORKSHOP

1. Discussion regarding the FY 2021-2022 Proposed Municipal Budget

Wendy Bates, Lead Finance Clerk reviewed the Budget Worksheet Group and Account Summaries, Property Tax, Payroll Projections, Capital Outlay, Debt Service Schedule, Summary of Texas Bank and Trust Loans and Transfers with council. The workshop ended at 7:02 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OVERTON, TEXAS THAT WAS HELD JULY 15, 2021 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 1200 SOUTH COMMERCE, OVERTON, TEXAS.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>ATTENDED</u>
C. R. Evans Jr.	Mayor	Y
Josh Hill	1	Y
Chris Hall	2	Y
Curtis Gilbert	3	Y
Reggie Thompson	4	Y
Michael Paul Williams	5	Y

A. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Invocation was led by Councilmember Thompson.
2. Pledges of Allegiance were led by Councilmember Williams.

B. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no speakers at this time.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Act on the approval of the minutes from the July 15, 2021 meeting.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Gilbert, seconded by Councilmember Williams. Carried unanimously 5-0.

D. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL

None.

E. BUSINESS

1. Continued discussion regarding the FY 2021-2022 Budget.



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2. Discussion regarding the City's cash flow.
Wendy Bates reviewed the Cash flow report.

3. Consider and/or act on the approval of a loan from the Overton Economic Development Corporation for the amount of \$50,000.

Wendy Bates discussed the need for the loan to help with payroll and outstanding debts.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilbert and seconded by Councilmember Williams. It passed. 3-2.

4. Consider and/or act on the approval of the Finance Department requesting a loan for the amount of \$100,000 from the Overton Municipal Development District and acceptance of the loan without further council action.

Wendy Bates presented this item and advised that emergency projects have caused the cash flow concerns.

Denise Hill, 712 E Henderson questioned staff on what the cash flow loan will cover. Mrs. Hill also questioned the Council and stated that a plan needs to be put in place to rectify this issue. Council feels that an Audit update needs to be done at every meeting. They also stated consideration would be made if they knew exactly what the money was going to be spent on.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilbert and seconded by Councilmember Williams. It failed 2-3.

5. Discussion on reducing the Overton Police Department Dispatch hours of operation.

Chief Brian Pool presented his plan on reducing dispatch hours. To keep dispatch staffed and operating it costs the city a total of \$164,722 each year in salaries and benefits. This plan is not just to shave the hours of dispatch but to eventually dissolve it. The plan is to have Smith County pick it up. Chief Pool plans to have a discussion with Smith County. This would be a big savings to the City of Overton when finalized.

No action was taken.

6. Consider and/or act on an Ordinance adopting and enacting a new Code of Ordinances

A motion was made by Councilmember Hill and seconded by Councilmember Hall. It passed unanimously, 5-0.

7. Approve a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Contract with Smith County Elections for the November 2, 2021 General and Special Election

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilbert and seconded by Councilmember Thompson. It passed unanimously, 5-0.



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8. Approve a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Contract with Rusk County Elections for the November 2, 2021 General and Special Election
A motion was made by Councilmember Thompson and seconded by Councilmember Hill. It passed unanimously, 5-0.

9. Approve an Ordinance ordering a General and Special Election for the election to be held on November 2, 2021
A motion was made by Councilmember Thompson and seconded by Councilmember Hill. Discuss the City Manager position.

10. Consider and/or act on amending the City of Overton Police Chief contract
City Attorney, Blake Armstrong stated that an Ordinance would need to be completed amending the Chief's contract. In new contract Police Chief would now report to the Council and not the City Manger.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hill to amend the Police Chief's contract and seconded by Councilmember Thompson. It passed, 4-1.

B. FUTURE MEETINGS

1. Present upcoming meetings and events schedule.
 - a. Budget Workshop – August 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
 - b. City Council Regular Meeting - August 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
 - c. Special Meeting – September 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
 - d. City Council Regular Meeting – September 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

F. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council convened into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Discuss the City Manager position.

G. ACTION ON ITEM(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Hill made a motion to accept the resignation of the City Manager, Clyde Carter effective immediately. Noting that his last day of employment will be August 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion. It passed unanimously, 5-0.

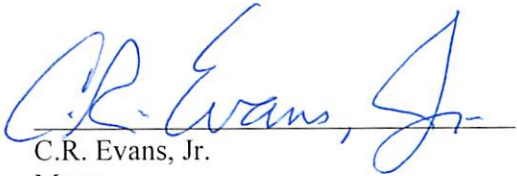


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H. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.


C.R. Evans, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:


Laurie Kaczmarek
City Secretary

