

**MINUTES OF THE
HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR RESCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING**

July 12, 2021

The City Council met on this date at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor John (Buzz) Fullen presiding. Council Members present included Tommy Goode, Michael Searcy, Henry Pace, and Melissa Morton. Steve Higginbotham was not able to attend this meeting.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Previous Mayor Foy Brown gave the Invocation and Mayor Fullen led the Pledges.

Staff members that joined the Council Meeting were City Manager Jay Abercrombie, City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson, Deputy Police Chief Randy Hudman, Deputy Fire Chief Sonny Ybarra, Director of Public Services Davis Brown, Public Utilities Director Randy Boyd, Director of Finance Karen Arnall, Parks and Recreational Director Kirk Kimbrell, Animal Center Director Charissa Pool, Communications and Marketing Phedra Johnson, Executive Leadership Assistant/HR Specialist Hillary Falkner and HEDCO Director John Clary.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Kirk Greenhouse with the Henderson Baseball Association gave an update on the tournaments that were held here in Henderson from June 12 through June 30th. There were right at 40 different cities that participated and approximately 2200 visitors that were in Henderson during this time frame staying in hotels and spending their money. Kirk thanked the City and volunteers that participated.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS:

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Fullen recognized and presented awards to out-going Henderson Historical Preservation Committee Members Buddy Gresham for 33 Years, Alma Allen and Evelyn Craig both for 25 years of service as volunteers to the City of Henderson (Evelyn Craig was not able to attend)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration and possible action on the following Minutes: **(Jimerson)**
 - ❖ May 18, 2021- Regular Meeting
 - ❖ May 25, 2021-Special Meeting
 - ❖ June 15, 2021 – Regular Meeting
2. Consideration and possible action on HEDCO financials from May 2021. **(Clary)**

Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to approve the consent agenda; duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.

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3. Consideration and possible action upon an amendment to the SRO agreement with HISD. **(Hudman/Taylor)**

Deputy Police Chief Hudman reiterated what Chief Taylor had already submitted to Council on staff recommending approval of a second amendment adding exhibit B to the original agreement. Adding two SRO Officers and vehicles so each school campus would always have an SRO present on the school grounds in all locations. The school will pay for ¾ of the fees and the city ¼ of the fees.

Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve the second amendment to the agreement between the School and City adding exhibit B; duly seconded by Council Member Tommy Goode; vote was unanimous.
4. Consideration and possible action upon the second reading of ordinance 2021-06-01 amending the City of Henderson's Zoning Ordinance changing a Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone to a General Commercial (C2) Zone on N. Mill and Zion Streets. **(Hughes)**

City Manager on behalf of the Community Development Manager reiterated staff's recommendation on the previous reading of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance changing the R2 Zone on North Mill and Zion Streets to a C2 Zone.

Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve the second reading of said ordinance; duly seconded by Council Member Henry Pace; vote was unanimous.
5. Consideration and possible action upon the second reading of an ordinance amending the City of Henderson's Zoning ordinance. Ordinance 2021-06-02 changing a Planned Development (PD) zone to a Light Industrial (I1) Zone located at 2101 HWY 64 for Donald Thompson. **(Hughes)**

City Manager Jay Abercrombie on the behalf of the Community Development Manager reiterated staff's recommendation on the previous reading of an ordinance amending the City of Henderson's Zoning Ordinance changing a Planned Development (PD) Zone to a Light Industrial (I1) Zone located at 2101 HWY 64 for Donald Thompson.

Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to approve the second reading of said ordinance; duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.
6. Consideration and possible action upon a second reading amending the text to the City of Henderson's Zoning Ordinance. Ordinance 2021-06-03 changing Section 5.65. F regarding maximum square footage for the face of a pole sign in the C2 Zone. **(Hughes)**

City Manager Jay Abercrombie on the behalf of the Community Development Manager reiterated staff's recommendation on the previous reading of an ordinance amending the text of City of Henderson's Zoning Ordinance changing section 5.65 F regarding the maximum square footage for the face of a pole sign in the General Commercial (C2) Zone to be 100 square feet.

Council Member Henry Pace made a motion to approve the second reading of said ordinance; duly seconded by Council Member Melissa Morton; vote was unanimous.

7. Consideration and possible action calling for a Public Hearing on proposed budget to be held August 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson recommended Council set the first Public Hearing date for the proposed budget.

Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to set a public hearing date of August 9; duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.

8. Consideration and possible action calling for Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate to be held August 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson recommended Council set the first Public Hearing date for the proposed tax rate.

Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to set a public hearing date of August 9; duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.

9. Consideration and possible action authorizing the Administration Department to start the Bank depository bid process. (Arnall)

Finance Director Karen Arnall stated Municipalities are required to receive proposals for depository banking services. The City of Henderson's charter requires that such services shall be for no more than three years. The City needs to advertised for banking depository services of city funds to be received on Tuesday, August 10, 2021.

Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to approve a bid process to start for the city funds; duly seconded by Council Member Tommy Goode; vote was unanimous.

10. Consideration and possible action upon reappointment of Main Street Board members for a two-year term Leon Harris, Carol Young, Leighann Morris, and Gabe Gearheart. (Jimerson)
City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson recommended Council approve the reappointment of the Main Street Board members listed.

Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to approve the reappointment of said board members; duly seconded by Council Member Melissa Morton; vote was unanimous.

11. Consideration and possible action upon amending the Main Street Bylaws Articles V Board member terms and VII member considered present by video device. (Jimerson)
City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson recommended Council approve amending the bylaws for the Main Street Board to be able to consider members present by video devise.

Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve the amendment to the Main Street bylaws stating just insure they are compliant with the open meetings act; duly seconded by Council Member Tommy Goode; vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

12. The City Council may deliberate and make inquiry into any item listed in the Departmental Reports.

- A. City Manager
- B. Fire Department
- C. Police Department
- D. Animal Center
- E. Community Development
- F. Public Services Department
- G. Parks and Recreation Department
- H. Public Utilities
- I. Finance Department
- J. City Secretary
- K. Communications and Marketing
- L. HEDCO

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- Board of Adjustments Minutes of June 6, 2021
- Planning and Zoning Minutes of June 6, 2021
- Cemetery Board None scheduled at this time.
- Main Street Minutes of June 22, 2021
- Preservation Minutes no applications for the Committee to meet since March 1.
- Henderson Housing Authority has accepted Yuli Elizondo as Vice Chairman.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

13. **Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, upon a motion by Council Member Henry Pace, duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; with a unanimous vote of the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

APPROVED:


John (Buzz) Fullen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cheryl Jimerson, City Secretary