

**MINUTES OF THE
HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL
COUNCIL MEETING**

Sept 7, 2021

The City Council met on this date at 06:00pm with Mayor John (Buzz) Fullen presiding. Council Members present included Tommy Goode, Michael Searcy, Henry Pace, Melissa Morton and Steve Higginbotham.

Staff members present included City Manager Jay Abercrombie, City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson, City Attorney Joe Shumate, Police Chief Chad Taylor, Fire Chief Rusty Chote, Director of Utilities Randy Boyd, Communications Coordinator Phedra Johnson, Leadership and HR Specialist Hillary Faulkner, Community Development Manager Billy Hughes, Director of Animal Center Charissa Pool, Director of Public Services Davis Brown, HEDCO Director John Clary, Director of Finance Karen Arnall, and Parks and Recreational Director Kirk Kimbrell.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Henry Pace gave the Invocation and Mayor Fullen led the Pledges.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Director of Utilities Randy Boyd stated N. Marshall Street repairs will begin Thursday September 9, 2021.

Mayor Fullen Recognized Republic Services and commended them for giving an additional donation for flag project.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS:

There were none.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were none.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

1. Consideration and possible action upon Henderson Economic Development Corporation (HEDCO) 2021-2022 Budget. **(Clary)**
Staff recommended approving the proposed 2021-2022 HEDCO BUDGET .
Council Member Stave Higginbotham made a motion to approve 2021-2022 HEDCO BUDGET. Duly seconded by Council Member Tommy Goode; vote was unanimous.
2. Consideration and possible action upon HEDCO program of work. **(Clary)**
Staff recommend to approve HEDCO program of work 2021-2022.
Council Member Michael Searcy made a motion to approve HEDCO program of work 2021-2022. Duly seconded by Council Member Steve Higginbotham; vote was unanimous.
3. Open a second public hearing on the proposed 2021-2022 budget. **(Mayor)**

There were no comments or questions.

4. Close public hearing.
Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to close public hearing. Duly seconded by Council Member Henry Pace; vote was unanimous
5. Open a second public hearing on the proposed 2021-2022 tax rate. **(Mayor)**
There were no comments or questions.
6. Close public hearing.
Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to close public hearing. Duly seconded by Henry Pace.
7. Consideration and possible action upon the City of Henderson 2021-2022 Holiday Schedule. **(Jimerson)**
Staff recommended approval of City of Henderson 2021-2022 Holiday Schedule.
Council Member Steve Higginbotham made a motion to approve City of Henderson' 2021-2022 Holiday Schedule. Duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.
8. Consideration and possible action upon the first reading of Ordinance 2021-09-01 adopting the 2021-2022 budget. **(Abercrombie)**
City Manager Jay Abercrombie stated the budget is as it was presented at the budget workshop and recommended adopting Ordinance 2021-09-01.
Council Member Steve Higginbotham made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-09-01. Duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.
9. Consideration and possible action upon the first reading of ordinance 2021-09-02 adopting the 2021-2022 tax rate. **(Abercrombie)**
City Manager Jay Abercrombie stated tax rate is the same as presented at the budget workshop and recommended approval.
Ordinance 2021-09-02 for a tax rate of an M&O rate of .455388 and an I&S rate of .096312, resulting in a total rate of .5517 per \$100 of assessed value. This tax rate will balance the proposed 2021-2022 budget.
Council Member Steve Higginbotham made a motion to adopt tax rate of an M&O rate of .455388 and an I&S rate of .096312, resulting in a total rate of .5517 per \$100 of assessed value. Duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.
10. Consideration and possible action upon Resolution 2021-08-04 related to City Parks and property. **(Taylor)**
Staff recommended approval of the resolution to enable Peace Officers with the Henderson Police Department to issue Criminal Trespass Warnings to individuals who commit a Breach of Peace or any other class C Misdemeanor or greater level of offence. This will enable citizens who are not disrupting or causing any danger in a public area to

enjoy and feel safe in these public areas.

Council Member Henry Pace made a motion to approve resolution 2021-08-04. Duly seconded by Council Member Tommy Goode; vote was unanimous.

11. Consideration and possible action upon approving a Letter of Intent for the preparation of an Investment Grade Audit (IGA). This IGA will detail the engineering, construction costs, and guaranteed energy savings and revenue enhancements associated with recommended energy and water efficiency improvements under and Energy Savings Performance Contract as defined by Local Government Code 302.001 **(Abercrombie)** City Manager Jay Abercrombie recommended approval of Letter of Intent with Performance Services Inc.

Karen and Jonathan with Performance Services Incorporation presented to Council the overall savings Jacksonville has seen since the implementation of services.

If the City of Henderson decides not to enter into this Installation Contract, albeit guaranteed annual savings, operational savings and efficiency improvements will exceed current annual costs, the City of Henderson agrees to pay \$30,000 to PSI, which is the value of their anticipated engineering and related costs associated with developing this Investment Grade Audit.

Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to approve Letter of Intent with Performance Services Inc. Duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous.

12. Consideration and possible action upon amending the HEDCO Board Bylaws. **(Abercrombie)**

Staff recommends Council approve the suggested change of Board members from five (5) to seven (7) resulting in a recommendation to HEDCO for approval. Council will have final approval at the next Council Meeting.

Council Member Tommy Goode made a motion to approve the suggested change of Board members from five (5) to seven (7). Duly seconded by Council Member Michael Searcy; vote was unanimous

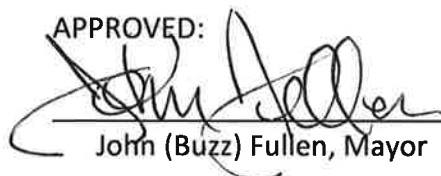
ADJOURNMENT

13. There being no further business to come before Council at this time, upon a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. by Council Member Michael Searcy. Duly seconded by Council Member Henry Pace; vote was unanimous.

ATTEST:


Cheryl Jimerson, City Secretary

APPROVED:


John (Buzz) Fullen, Mayor