

CANTON CITY COUNCIL

President Kristen Bates Aylward

Council At Large:

James Babcock - **Asst. Majority Leader**
Louis Giavasis
Crystal Smith

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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
Jonathan Cooks, Ward 6
John Mariol, Ward 7 - **Majority Leader**
Richard Sacco, Ward 8
Frank Morris, Ward 9

**Final
Special Agenda Meeting
September 27, 2024
6:00 PM**

Roll Call: Ten Members Present

Motion to Excuse Members: President Bates Aylward, Members Giavasis and Chris Smith Absent

Invocation: Jason Scaglione, Ward 3 Council Member

Pledge of Allegiance: President Pro Tem Mariol

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (Suspended Rule 22A to add 1st Rdg O#181/2024 and O#17; 2nd Rdg O#18 - O#20; O#181/2024 Reconsidered; O#17 Adopted on 1st Rdg)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

OLD BUSINESS: President Pro Tem Mariol explained there was a rule sheet given to each member in the audience. The rules explain why the Residing Officer can rearrange the way the Council goes through the Agenda. He also explained the reason for the special meeting is to carry out the votes that were postponed from Monday's meeting.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Req Job Creation & Retention Tax Incentive agrmt with Schauer Group; emergency. - Economic Development Director Hardesty
2. Req FFY 2025 Ohio Traffic Safety Office IDEP/STEP Grant; emergency (Supp Approp to 1001 102001 - Police Admin - Other). - Safety Director Perry
3. Req Water Dept and Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Management and Non-Bargaining Classification Plans Updates; emergency. - Service Director Highman

4. Req exchange of Real Estate Agrmt with Canton City Schools; emergency. - Service Director Highman

FIRST READINGS:

5. **RECONSIDERED**
181/2024 Auth Saf. Dir. to enter contract to hire BBS Multi-certified Inspector at hourly rate of \$57.69, not to exceed \$120,000 per year ,for 3 yrs; auth contract automatically renews at increase of 3% hourly; Auth Multi-certified BBS Inspector to use city vehicle; emergency. - Personnel Committee*
6. Amend Chpt 1131, Definitions of Title Seven and Chpt 1147, Permitted Uses - Business and Industrial Zoning Districts of Title Thirteen of Cod Ord. - Judiciary Committee **PUB HRG 10/7/24 @ 7:00 pm**
7. Amend approp O#61/2024; emergency (Various Approp Trfs and Supp Approps). - Finance Committee
8. Auth vacating portion of 6th St NW right of way; approve replat of Lot 43540; emergency (Canton Palace Theater @ 605 Market Ave N, Ward 2). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee **PUB HRG WAIVED**
9. Approve replat of Lots 17525,17526,17530,17531,17532,17533,17534, 17535, 17672, 30635, Part of Lots 17527,17528,17529, and Part of Outlots 366 and 368; emergency (Anthony Gattuso @ 1800 19th St NE, Ward 9). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
10. Auth replat of Lots 14562, 14563, and 14564; emergency (Canton for All People @ 417 - 423 Brown Ave NW, Ward 1). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
11. Auth replat of part of Lot 9298 and part of Lot 9299; emergency (Canton of All People @ 910 Fulton Rd NW, Ward 1). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
12. Auth replat of part of Lots 24593 and 24594; emergency (Habitat for Humanity @ 300 Henrietta Ave NE, Ward 4). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
13. Auth replat of part of Lot 4681 and all of Lots 4679 and 4680; emergency (Habitat for Humanity @ 300 Tyler Ave SE, Ward 4). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
14. Auth replat of part of Lot 3623 and 3624; emergency (Habitat for Humanity @ 200 Tyler Ave SE, Ward 4). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
15. Auth replat of part of Lots 3592 and 3593 and all of Lot 3594; emergency (Habitat for Humanity @ 2040 Tuscarawas St. E, Ward 4). - Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
16. Auth setting salary of Adamaris Cortes, Recruitment & Marketing Specialist @ 5% above current salary; (Civil Service Dept) emergency. - Personnel Committee

(Council Recessed at 6:14 PM for the Finance Committees to discuss O#17; reconvened at 6:24 PM)

17. **185/2024** Auth Mayor or Saf. Dir. to enter agrmt for and accept FFY 2025 Impaired Driving Enforcement Prg Selective Traffic Enforcement Prg Grant; amend O#61/2024; emergency (Supp Approp to 1001 102001 - Police Admin - Other). - Finance Committee*

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

SECOND READINGS: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 2ND RDG O#18 - O#20)

18. Auth resurfacing and minor bridge maintenance on several structures on US 30; emergency. - PS&T
19. Auth Mayor or Serv. Dir. to submit substantial amend to city's 2023 & 2024 Annual Action Plan to HUD; enter contracts for timely expenditure of ESG program funds; enter contract for effective operation of prog during grant period; emergency. - C&ED
20. Auth Mayor or Saf Dir. to advertise, receive bids, award, and enter contracts for purch of one F-450 truck and custom equip; emergency. - PPCI

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

THIRD READINGS:

21. **186/2024** Approve replat of Lots 23461, 23462, 23463, 23489, 23490, 23491, and 23492 and vacation of part of Alley Munley PL. NE; emergency (Sharon McGrath, Roosevelt Ave fr 23rd St. NE to 24th St. NE). **PUB HRG WAIVED**
22. **187/2024** Amend Chpt 187 Admissions Tax of Admin. Code of the Codified Ordinances effective 1/1/25; Establish Admissions/Parking Tax Fund; emergency.
23. **188/2024** Approve replat of Lots 1339, 1340, 1341, and 1342 (Stark County Library, 811 Cleveland Ave. NW); emergency.
24. **189/2024** Auth Mayor or Saf. Dir. to accept \$7,500 in grant funds fr USPCA AKC Reunite K9 Grant; enter into contract for purch of one aged police K9; Amend O#61/2024; emergency (Supp Approp fr Unapprop Bal of 1001 General Operating Fund to 1001 102001 Police Admin - Other).
25. **190/2024** Amend Chpt. 919 Sidewalk and Curb Replacement Prg of Canton Cod. Ord.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, September 30, 2024 in Council Chambers @ 6:15 PM
Judiciary Committee
Finance Committee
Public Safety & Thoroughfares Committee
Personnel Committee

PUBLIC SPEAKS: Monique Conners thanked the Police Department for finding a 6 year old that had been missing. She, along with Jennifer Myers, Roger Gates, Justin Nicely, Seirra Mason, and Daniel Gates, spoke about their disappointment in Council for adjourning the meeting on Monday, September 23 before finishing Public Speaks. They collectively agreed that the Council members aren't interested in hearing what they have to say concerning the community.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: 6:46 PM

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 @ 7:00 PM



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September 19, 2024

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, Ohio 44702

OKAY TO PREPARE LEGISLATION:

RE: Job Creation & Retention Tax Incentive Agreement with Schauer Group

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

I am requesting legislation to authorize the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service to enter a Job Creation & Retention Tax Incentive Agreement with Schauer Group (Schauer). Schauer has been, and will continue to be, a staple in the Downtown Canton community. Schauer is currently located at 200 Market Ave. N Ward 2, Canton, Ohio 44702, is a leader in innovative risk management, insurance and human capital services.

Schauer is seeking assistance with their facility expansion with a proposed investment of \$870,000 which will lead to the retention of 49 fulltime jobs and the creation of 15 new jobs with over \$1 million in new payroll. This would bring Schauer's total Canton employment to 64 jobs and nearly \$6 million in payroll. The City of Canton is proposing to support Schauer through a Job Creation & Retention Tax Incentive Agreement for a period of ten (10) years and to grant back to Schauer, through non-income tax revenues, approximately \$700,000 in support over that term. This incentive will help to provide funds for Schauer's project and contribute to their growth and retention within the City.

I hereby request legislation which does the follow:

1. Authorizes the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service to enter a Job Creation Tax Incentive Agreement with Schauer Group, Inc. pursuant to the City's incentive programs;
2. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Hardesty
Director of Economic Development

- cc: William V. Sherer, Mayor
John Highman, Director of Public Service
Jason P. Reese, Law Director
RA Mallonn, Auditor
Kim Perez, Treasurer



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September 17, 2024

Canton City Council
Council Office
Canton, Ohio 44702

OKAY TO PREPARE LEGISLATION:

RE: Legislation Request – FFY 2025 Ohio Traffic Safety Office IDEP/STEP Grant

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

The City of Canton Police Department has been awarded the FFY 2025 IDEP (Impaired Driving Enforcement Program) STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) Grant through Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office.

These funds will be utilized for Overtime to increase traffic enforcement patrols in the City. The enforcement goal is to reduce traffic related fatalities and injuries, and to increase seat belt usage. Total award amount is \$53,388.78.

Therefore, I hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Authorizes the Mayor and/or the Director of Public Safety to enter into contract for the purchase of said items in paragraph 1 above in accordance with any procurement process authorized by Law.
2. Authorizes the Auditor to draw warrants upon receipt of vouchers duly approved by the proper departmental authority.

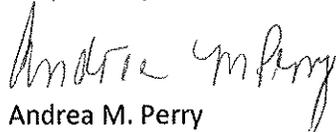
Supplemental Appropriations

FROM: Unappropriated balance of 1001 General Operating Fund	\$ 53,388.78
TO: 1001 102001 – Police Admin – Other	\$ 53,388.78

3. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

I respectfully request that this legislation be passed on **COMMUNICATION** and **FIRST** reading. The grant begins on October 1, 2024. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,


Andrea M. Perry
Director of Public Safety

cc: John Gabbard, Chief of Police
Jason Reese, Law Director
John Siebodnik, Chief Deputy Auditor
Andrew Roth, Director of Purchasing





Ohio Traffic
Safety Office

Agency: Canton Police Department

Grant Number: IDEP/STEP-2025-Canton Police Department-00021

FFY 2025 Grant Information

Congratulations! Your Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 grant proposal has been approved!

The full PDF of the grant can be accessed on the GRANTS Plus online grant management system by clicking the "Management Tools" link and selecting "Create Full PDF Version." The GRANTS Plus System/PDF version, this letter and attached certificate comprise the entire executed agreement for this grant. Any concerns regarding modifications to your initial proposal must be addressed and resolved prior to the expenditure of grant funds.

Before proceeding with this agreement, a representative from your agency must complete the Pre-Claim online. Directions for completing the Pre-Claim begin on page 60 of the Grantee Manual located under the "My Training Materials" link in GRANTS Plus.

The OTSO representative assigned to this grant is Michelle Garrett-Tackett and can be contacted at (614) 466-3250 or mtackett@dps.ohio.gov.

Please note the following **SPECIAL CONDITIONS** for FFY 2025:

- All FFY2025 grant requirements (Terms and Conditions, due dates, and individual grant requirements) will be enforced, and sub-recipients must complete the approved work plans (e.g., events, blitz enforcement hours, meetings, etc.). Failure to follow grant requirements could result in being placed in Sub-recipient on Notice status.

The staff of the OTSO looks forward to working with you to reduce traffic related fatal and serious injury crashes in Ohio.

Sincerely,

Emily Davidson

Emily Davidson, Director
Ohio Traffic Safety Office



Ohio Traffic Safety Office

TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT AWARD

PRESENTED TO:	
Canton Police Department	
FFY2025 Grant #:	IDEP/STEP-2025-Canton Police Department-00021
UEI Number:	G3WMDY43JYC6
Agency of Record:	Canton, City of

Funding of this agreement is dependent upon the availability of federal funds as appropriated and obligated by the US Department of Transportation for FFY2025. Should any change in federal funding adversely affect the Ohio Traffic Safety Office's (OTSO) ability to implement an approved agreement, the OTSO reserves the right to revise or terminate any approved grant in writing. The OTSO reserves the right to limit grant amounts at any time based on performance and/or available funding.

Program	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)	Description	Amount	FAIN Number
IDEP	20.608	Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated	\$25,854.39	69A375233000016400HA 69A375243000016400HA
STEP	20.600	State and Community Highway Safety	\$27,534.39	69A375233000040200HO 69A375243000040200HO

Authorized to Proceed Date: October 1, 2024 **Agreement Termination Date: September 30, 2025**

All Expenditure Reports (reimbursement claims and activity reports) for the grant must be accessed and submitted online through the GRANTS Plus system. The only costs eligible for reimbursement under this agreement are approved costs incurred within these dates.

Note: All sub-recipients must follow the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200. This agreement is to be funded under the federal grant program that begins October 1, 2024.

Emily Davidson

Director, Ohio Traffic Safety Office

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September 18, 2024

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, OH 44702

OKAY TO PREPARE LEGISLATION:

RE: Request for Legislation – Water Department and Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Management and Non-Bargaining Classification Plans Updates

Dear Madame President and Honorable Members:

As you know the ability to properly manage our various departments and retain employees is an ever-evolving target due to new technologies, emerging trends, etc. One issue within the Water Department is the management and oversight of Customer Service Persons and Meter Shop employees. In many cases, our seven Customer Service Persons are the first face of Canton City Water and Canton City Utilities generally. They, in conjunction with the four meter shop personnel, are the ones out in the field making sure metering and billing equipment is working properly. They also handle meter installations, water turn on and shut offs, etc. Currently, these 11 employees do not really fit within one of the existing Water Department divisions and are shared by the back shop and utility billing. However, this work is generally speaking outside of these areas of expertise. As a result, Water Superintendent Tyler Converse has been working with Civil Service on the creation of a Meter System Supervisor position. Some of the items this individual would do include managing the aforementioned individuals, overseeing the work order system, ensuring the metering system is working properly, etc. At this time, we have a draft job description we would send through Civil Service for approval pending Councilmanic action. In looking at other similar positions, we have classified this as an SN-008 salaried position who could make between \$50,724 and \$78,276 annually.

Additionally, since we were making a classification plan adjustment, I reviewed the plan to see if any other changes are needed. As a result, I am requesting that the Water Superintendent's classification grade be changed to an SN-001 (\$94,410-\$130,741) from an SN-002. This matches the salary grade of both the City Engineer and Director of Planning. As the largest Service Department with approximately 100 employees encompassing multiple areas such as engineering, GIS, construction, metering, billing, compliance etc., this position should be classified as such. Please note that I am not asking for a salary adjustment, just a change in classification grade.

Next, and in order to be fair to all positions, I am also asking to raise the WRF Superintendent to that of SN-001 for similar reasons. This position requires a Class IV Waste Water license and is required to be the Operator of Record for one of the largest membrane plants of its kind. Given the complexities of this system, and the breadth of responsibility (operations, industrial permitting, compliance, engineering, maintenance, etc.) I believe this classification is warranted. Again, I am not asking for any salary adjustments, just that the position be classified as per other similar positions within the City.



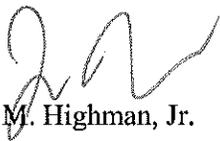
Finally, since we are looking at the WRF Classification Plan, I would like to adjust the salary grade of Chief Operator to an SN-004 (\$74,258-\$109,041). Currently, this position is classified at an SN-007 which tops out at \$82,676. In short, this position (along with the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent) is on call 24/7 in the event of an emergency. Whenever there is a high flow event or other emergency, they work with the Shift Supervisor/plant operations to ensure flow is passed and prevent a raw bypass. Due to the fact that Shift Supervisors are unionized and the Chief Operator is not, this has resulted in shift supervisors making substantially more than the Chief Operator due to the availability of overtime. Again, I am not asking for a raise at this time. Rather, the grade adjustment would allow us to incrementally adjust this issue over the course of time.

Therefore, we hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Amends the Water Department Classification Plan for Management and Non-Bargaining Personnel as shown in Exhibit A.
2. Amends the Water Reclamation Facility Classification Plan for Management and Non-Bargaining Personnel as shown in Exhibit B.
3. Authorizes the Auditor to draw warrants upon receipt of vouchers duly approved by the proper departmental authority.
4. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
Mark Crouse, Director of Finance
Jason Reese, Law Director
John Slobodnik, Chief Deputy Auditor
Christina Skondras, Director of Human Resources
Rachel Forchione, Civil Service Administrator
Tyler Converse, Water Department Superintendent
Deb Houdeshell, WRF Superintendent

CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR NON-BARGAINING UNIT PERSONNEL

Department Name	Dept Number	Home Org Code	Position Number	Classification	Number of Employees	Grade	Civil Service Designation	Hourly Minimum of Range 2024	Salary Minimum of Range 2024	Hourly Maximum of Range 2024	Salary Maximum of Range 2024
Water Department	20WT	207001	635	Superintendent*	1	SN-001	Unclassified	\$ 45,389.3	\$ 94,410	\$ 62,856.1	\$ 130,741
Water Department	20WT	207001	636	Assistant Superintendent	1	SN-003	Classified	\$ 38,914.1	\$ 80,941	\$ 57,141.5	\$ 118,854
Water Department	20WT	207001	910	Facilities Engineer**	3	SN-004	Classified	\$ 35,700.9	\$ 74,258	\$ 52,423.4	\$ 109,041
Water Department	20WT	207001	467	Engineer III**	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Department	20WT	207001	823	Geographic Information Systems Coordinator	1	SN-005	Classified	\$ 32,753.2	\$ 68,127	\$ 48,094.9	\$ 100,037
Water Department	20WT	207001	670	Supervisor, Filtration & Lab	1	SN-006	Classified	\$ 29,775.7	\$ 61,933	\$ 43,722.8	\$ 90,943
Water Department	20WT	207001	668	Supervisor, Pump & Supply Maintenance	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Department	20WT	207001	743	Chief Chemist	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Department	20WT	207001	699	Supervisor, Distribution***	3	SN-006	Classified	\$ 29,775.7	\$ 61,933	\$ 43,722.8	\$ 90,943
Water Department	20WT	207001	700	Assistant Supervisor, Distribution***	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Department	20WT	207001	658	Supervisor - Billing & Collections	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Department	20WT	207001	229	Fiscal Manager	1	SN-008	Classified	\$ 24,386.3	\$ 50,724	\$ 37,632.7	\$ 78,276
Water Department	20WT	207001	XXX	Water System Supervisor	1	SN-008	Classified	\$ 24,386.3	\$ 50,724	\$ 37,632.7	\$ 78,276
Water Department	20WT	207001	951	Assistant Supervisor-Billing & Collections	1	SN-009	Classified	\$ 21,969.7	\$ 45,697	\$ 32,260.3	\$ 67,101

*This position requires licensure by the appropriate State of Ohio Regulatory Agency. The Superintendent must possess a Class III License.

**Total number of employees in any number of these classifications shall not exceed 3.

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Meter System Supervisor (#XXX) added Sept 2024 (Ord XX/2024)

Changed pay grade for Superintendent (#635) from SN-002 to SN-001 Sept 2024 (Ord #XX/2024)

(Home Org Codes 207003, 207010, 207012, 207022 also used for this department)

NOTES:

Assistant Supervisor-Billing & Collections (#951) added March 2023 (Ord 38/2023)

Note removed: "As of July 2021, one additional employee (for Supervisor, Pump & Supply Maintenance #668) may be hired until current employee vacates position for succession planning and training purposes." (no longer applicable) (Jan 2024)

Note removed: "As of June 1, 2023, one additional employee (for Fiscal Manager #229) may be hired until the current employee vacates the position for succession planning and training purposes." (no longer applicable) (April 2024)

CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR NON-BARGAINING UNIT PERSONNEL

Department Name	Dept Number	Home Org Code	Position Number	Classification	Number of Employees	Grade	Civil Service Designation	Hourly Minimum of Range 2024	Salary Minimum of Range 2024	Hourly Maximum of Range 2024	Salary Maximum of Range 2024
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	725	Superintendent*	1	SN-001	Unclassified	\$ 45,289.93	\$ 94,410	\$ 62,856.1	\$ 130,741
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	726	Assistant Superintendent*	1	SN-003	Classified	\$ 38,914.1	\$ 80,941	\$ 57,141.5	\$ 118,854
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	731	Chief Operator*	1	SN-004	Classified	\$ 35,700.9	\$ 74,258	\$ 52,423.4	\$ 109,041
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	910	Facilities Engineer**	1	SN-004	Classified	\$ 35,700.9	\$ 74,258	\$ 52,423.4	\$ 109,041
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	467	Engineer II**	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	730	Maintenance Chief	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	743	Chief Chemist	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	748	Industrial Waste Supervisor	1	SN-007	Classified	\$ 27,068.7	\$ 56,303	\$ 39,748.0	\$ 82,676
Water Reclamation Facility	20WP	206005	102	Administrative Assistant III	1	009-HN	Classified	\$ 19,301.5		\$ 28,440.7	

*This position requires licensure by the appropriate State of Ohio Regulatory Agency. The Superintendent must possess the appropriate license required to be Operator of Record.

**The total number of any combination of employees in these classifications shall not exceed 1.

Changed pay grade for Superintendent (#725) from SN-002 to SN-001 Oct 2024 (Ord #XX/2024)
 Changed pay grade for Chief Operator (#731) from SN-004 to SN-004 Oct 2024 (Ord #XX/2024)



9-28-24
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September 19, 2024

OKAY TO PREPARE LEGISLATION:

Canton City Council
Council Office
Canton, OH 44702

RE: Request for Legislation – Exchange of Real Estate Agreement with Canton City Schools

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

As you know, one of the major issues Canton faces is that of available buildable lots within the City for businesses and new homes. To that end, we have been working with Canton City Schools (CCSD) to acquire multiple parcels that they currently own. Both Planning and Economic Development have reviewed these lots and find them advantageous to obtain for development purposes.

To move this forward, we have been exploring the concept of an Exchange of Real Estate Agreement pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3313.40. This is one exception to the strict property disposal rules for both the City and School District. As a result, we are proposing to exchange the Thurman Munson Memorial Stadium (Munson Stadium) parcels for the aforementioned properties owned by CCSD. Currently, we have a Lease/Joint Facilities Use Agreement with CCSD where they manage Munson Stadium and serve as its primary occupant. At this point, the ownership of the facility is more of a liability for the City as we are still responsible for large capital repairs. Additionally, CCSD as a part of the Exchange of Real Estate Agreement CCSD has agreed to include the language from the original lease agreement regarding City, Health Department, and Men’s Senior Baseball League use. Additionally, should CCSD ever desire to dispose of Munson Stadium, the City would have a right of first refusal.

Please note that in addition to Canton City Council approval, this agreement also needs to be approved by the CCSD School Board.

In order to move this forward, I hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Authorizes the Mayor, Director of Public Service, and or any other necessary City Officials to enter into any and all contracts necessary for the exchange of real estate depicted on Exhibit A pursuant Ohio Revised Code §3313.40 with the Board of Education of the Canton City School District.
2. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.



Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Highman, Jr.', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer, Mayor
Chris Hardesty, Director of Economic Development
Jason Reese, Law Director
John Slobodnik, Chief Deputy Auditor
Andrew Roth, Director of Purchasing

EXHIBIT A

CITY receives:

Parcel #280210 – 3804 13th St SW (Former Baxter School)
Parcel #284865 – 3rd St SE (Across from Martin Center)
Parcel #228636 – 10th St NW (next to Arts Academy)
Parcel #285541 – 6th St NE & Warner Rd NE
Parcel #280076 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280077 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280078 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280079 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280080 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280081 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280107 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280108 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280109 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280243 – Former Washington Elementary School
Parcel #280309 – Former Washington Elementary School

BOARD receives:

Parcel #285892 – (Munson Stadium)
Parcel #10002546 – (Munson Stadium)
Parcel #285886 – (Munson Stadium)