

Stanford City Council
Public Hearing and Special Called Council Meeting
Lincoln County Public Library Meeting Room
6:15 pm, September 8th, 2025

I. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge and Prayer

Mayor Miller called to order the Public Hearing and Special Called Council Meeting of the Stanford City Council at 6:15 pm on Monday, September 8th, 2025. All recited the pledge to the U.S. Flag after which Councilman Joe Tackett opened the meeting with prayer.

II. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted with the following members present: Eddie Carter, Ronnie Deatherage, Jason Hignite, Joe Tackett and Jerry Wilkinson. Absent was Bill Miracle. A quorum was declared by the Mayor.

Also present were: Police Chief Zach Middleton, Captain Ryan Kirkpatrick, City Attorney John Hackley, Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Knouse, LCPL Director Jamie Helle and citizens Luzia Foster, Mandy Jankowski, Kent Ellis, Lisa Shelton, Louie Hammonds, and Glenn & Remonia Spoonamore.

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Councilman Deatherage (2nd by Councilman Tackett) to approve the minutes from the August 14th, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

IV. Public Hearing on Tax Rate for 2025 Year

Citizen Luzia Foster addressed the council concerning the proposed 4% revenue increase for the 2025 tax year. She asked that the council consider the current economic state of the citizens of Stanford and the impact of additional taxes.

It was noted that the new tax rate for 2025 actually drops from .130 to .107 per \$100 of property value, which will result in a decrease of \$23.00 per \$100,000 of property value for city residents.

V. Citizen's Comments

Citizens Louie Hammonds, Glenn and Remonia Spoonamore and Kent Ellis expressed concerns about the proposed zone change for Tract 2-A on Hwy 590. Their concerns included devaluing their property, additional traffic and the eyesore of the building being in view from their properties. There was some discussion concerning the property being zoned "medical only" at one time. City Attorney John Hackley stated that there is no such restrictive zone at the state or local level.

VI. Council Comments

Councilman Carter asked if the design of the building can be restricted and noted that the area all around the proposed zone change has become commercial to include a fire station, car lot, gas station, restaurant and a corner lot already currently zoned for B-2 business use. County Attorney Hackley noted that this change is consistent with the way the surrounding area has gone.

Councilman Wilkinson wished to express his thanks on behalf of his family for the prayers and support during the passing of his mother. He also wished to thank Kenny Mac Smith for clearing the area of MLK to Danville Ave. Thank you also to the Gooch Family and Ms. Spring for granting permission for the area to

be cleaned. It has greatly improved the line of sight when pulling out of MLK and made the area much safer.

Councilman Hignite asked if Mr. Vaughn would be willing to come to a meeting and answer questions from the council and citizen's concerning his proposed use of the property where the zone change is being requested.

- VII. Possible 2nd Reading of Ordinance T2025 City of Stanford Tax Rates on Real and Personal Property**
Motion was made by Councilman Wilkinson (2nd by Councilman Hignite) to entertain the 2nd reading of Ordinance T2025. All in favor, motion carried. 2nd reading was done by Attorney John Hackley.

Motion to accept Ordinance T2025 as read was made by Councilman Carter (2nd by Councilman Wilkinson). All in favor, motion carried. 2025 Tax Rates are set.

- VIII. Possible 2nd Reading of Ordinance 920.46 Amending Zoning Map for 835 US 27N**
Motion was made by Councilman Deatherage (2nd by Councilman Tackett) to entertain the 2nd reading of Ordinance 920.46. All in favor, motion carried. 2nd reading was done by Attorney John Hackley.

Motion to accept as read Ordinance 920.46 was made by Councilman Wilkinson (2nd by Councilman Tackett). All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Miller shared that in the future when a property is annexed the zone will be assigned at the time of annexation.

- IX. Possible 2nd Reading of Ordinance 920.47 Amending Zoning Map for 195 Hwy 590 Tract 2-A**
No motion for 2nd reading was made, and no action was taken.

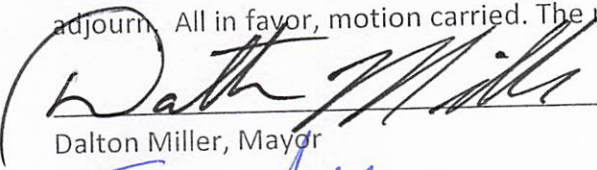
Councilman Deatherage left the meeting.

X. Mayor's Information to Council

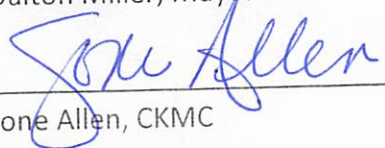
- Relay for Life Annual Tractor Ride on September 27 starting at Veterans Park
- Trick or Treat Oct 31
- Dinner on Main Sept 18
- Motorcycle and Hot Rod Car Show Oct 11 with all proceeds going to Shop with a Cop
- Wilderness Road Musicfest on Sept 20 and the Story of John Fox Dudderar
- Patriot Day Parade Sept 11 at 6:00pm

XI. Adjourn

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Carter (2nd by Councilman Hignite) to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.


Dalton Miller, Mayor

10-9-2025
Date:


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