Mayor and Board of Aldermen/Alderwoman

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

Canton City Hall, 226 E. Peace Street Canton, MS 39046

Mayor calls meeting to order

Invocation

Roll Call

	Present:	Absent:
Mayor Tim C. Taylor	_____	_____
Alderman Rodriquez Brown	_____	_____
Alderwoman Dr. Shannon Whitehead	_____	_____
Alderman Les Penn	_____	_____
Alderwoman Cynthia Allen	_____	_____
Alderwoman Janice Diamond	_____	_____
Alderwoman Monica Gilkey	_____	_____
Alderman Lafayette E. Wales	_____	_____

I. Approve the agenda for the October 20, 2026 meeting.

II. Presenter
   a. Joann Gordon

III. Public hearing

IV. Approve October 6, 2026 meeting minutes **(**see supporting documents in City Clerk section of information folder).

V. Approve October 20, 2026 claims and contractual claims docket **(**see supporting documents in City Clerk section of information folder).

VI. Approve payroll dockets.

VII. Approve High Gear Properties, LLC. special exception resolution (see details in information folder).

VIII. Consideration of ratifying the payment of $194.00 to the UMMC Toxicology Laboratory for services rendered in connection with a firefighter (see details in information folder).

IX. Consideration for ratification and/or approval Usage Agreements between the City of Canton for the Halloween Festival on October 28, 2026 (see handouts for details).

X. Consideration of Amended Usage Agreement between the City of Canton and the Movie Productions, Don’t Open the Door (see handouts for details).

XI. Consider and approve discontinuing the practice of allowing employees to drive City-owned vehicles home (see letter from Mayor in information folder).

XII. Consider and accept the contractor's proposed cost of $42,158.00 for additional electrical modifications, including separation of the electrical systems at Fire Station 1, generator and automatic transfer switch upgrades at Fire Stations 1 and 4, electrical feeder and circuit modifications, and installation of remote annunciators at Fire Stations 1 through 4, for the City of Canton Fire Department Generator Installation Project, for submission to FEMA for review and approval.

XIII. Approve Classic Circus for November 7-8, 2026 pending receipt of all applicable paperwork.

XIV. Approve payment of $7, 079.17 from Central Fire District Funds to Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC. for repairs to Engine #4 (see handouts for details).

XV. Consider resolution approving the replacement of the vehicle previously approved under item VII at the January 6, 2026, regular meeting with a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado; Authorizing payment from Modernization Act Funds; and approving amended minutes to reflect the change (see handouts for details).

XVI. Consider resolution regarding C & M Southern Midway's circus operations within the City of Canton, identifying any omissions in the required documentation, and considering approval of the company's submitted documents in accordance with applicable state law and city ordinances (see handouts for details).

XVII. Authorize disposing of old furniture and equipment at the police department (see handouts for details).

Consent Agenda:

XVIII. Authorize LaPatrick Whitehead, Zirconia Hopkins, and Jamarcio Robinson to attend 2026 Building Official's Association of Mississippi Winter Conference in Natchez, MS, December 2-December 4, 2026 pursuant to the City of Canton travel policy, and MS state law (see details in information folder).

XIX. Authorize and approve paying the following $80 each for working the October 10, 2024 Canton Flea Market. (Diana Buckley, Eugene Clay, Bessie Marshall. Maxine Morgan, Marilyn Vanburen, Sherry Denton, Bessie Marshall, Alice Deer, Linda Smoots, and Rosie Houston

XX. Authorize and approve South Liberty Baptist Church to have the 4th Annual 5K Run & Walk on Saturday, October 31, 2026 at 8:00 with the assistance from the Police Department for safety; subject to ratification of a Usage Agreement. The walk will start at 165 E. Dinkins and go to Hwy 43.

XXI. Approve changing the locks on the doors at the Train Depot/Museum.

XXII. Authorization to send formal communication to CMU's General Manager, Howard Young, regarding the Board of Aldermen's concerns.

Executive Session:

XXIII. Supervision & Finance Department (3 matters)

a. Transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the location, relocation or expansion of a business, medical service or an industry.

b. Strategy sessions and/or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation, litigation with respect to an issuance of an appealable order, and when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the public body.

c. Transaction of business and discussion regarding the prospective purchase, sale or leasing of lands.

XXIV. Court Services (1 matter)

a. Personnel matters relating to job performance, character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person holding a specific position.

XXV. Police Department (2 matters)

a. Personnel matters relating to job performance, character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person holding a specific position.

XXVI. Sanitation Department (2 matters)

a. Personnel matters relating to job performance, character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person holding a specific position.

XXVII. Strategy sessions and/or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation, litigation with respect to an issuance of an appealable order, and when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the public body (3 matters).

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