

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Thursday, September 19, 2024

4:00 PM

City Hall

110 Academy Street

North Canton School Site Committee

City Council

1. Call to Order

Present:

*Councilmember Shawn Tolan
Councilmember Sandy McGrew
Councilmember Farris Yawn
Mr. Billy Peppers, City Manager
Mr. Nathan Ingram, Assistant City Manager
Mr. Marty Ferrell, Police Chief
Ms. Annie Fortner, City Clerk*

Councilmember Tolan called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. North Canton School Site Committee Draft Minutes - September 11, 2024

Attachments: [Minutes - North Canton School Site Committee - September 11, 2024](#)

Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember McGrew seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

3. Discussion of Stakeholder Input Meeting from September 11th

The Committee agreed that the stakeholder group was aligned in their desires for the use of the gymnasium and the rest of the site. The Committee will continue to review and discuss the ideas that were brought up at the last meeting and use those comments to provide a recommendation to Council at the fall retreat. It was noted that the requirements and/or restrictions regarding construction around the creek should be looked at.

4. Public Input

Ms. Jackie Amos with North Canton Baptist Church asked where a bridge would be placed over the creek. Councilmember McGrew discussed that this is still in the planning phase and nothing has been determined yet. Ms. Judy Turner with North Canton Baptist Church asked about a playground for the kids in the community. Councilmember Tolan discussed what is suggested for that site in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Councilmember Yawn reiterated the Committee is only considering concepts for this site. Councilmember McGrew explained any housing on the site would be cottage style homes. Ms. Joyce Blaylock with North Canton Baptist Church asked if any additional properties would be purchased by the City. Councilmember Tolan stated no and discussed the GICH program and how they can assist with repairs. Mr. Hugh Turner with North Canton Baptist Church discussed concern with accessing this property through the church road and parking lot. Mr. Don Pettit with North Canton Baptist Church stated that the Canton Police Department has been helpful in patrolling the area and that he appreciates them. Pastor Eduardo Brando with UPCI Canton provided a handout which discussed uses for the site such as classrooms for different types of trainings, event space for concerts and events,

and an exhibition hall to celebrate the diversity in Canton. Pastor Brando stated this could be a center of community for those in the area.

5. Update on Community Survey

The surveys have not yet been sent to the public. A Dumpster Day has been scheduled for October 12th in that community.

6. Confirmation of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 26th at 4:00 pm.

7. Adjourn

Councilmember McGrew made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.