Town of Edmonston
Town Council Special Council Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2026, Via Teleconference (VIRTUAL)

1. Mayor Gant called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M

In attendance were Council Member Betsy McCauley, Council Member Sarah Turberville, Council Member John Johnson, Council Member Michelle Bonilla, Town Administrator Rod Barnes, Police Chief Eric Beale, Town Clerk Averi Gray, Police Clerk Derria Faison, and Town Attorney Jason DeLoach.

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

3. Public Comment - There were no public comments.

4. Public Hearing

A public hearing on the proposed property tax rate increases on commercial property from $.4239 per $100 of assessment to $0.4839 per $100 of assessment was conducted. Mayor Gant opened the public hearing. Town Administrator Rod Barnes outlined the proposed FY26-27 annual budget. The Town is raising taxes for the first time in over a decade. There was no public comment. Mayor Gant closed the public hearing.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. The final consideration of ordinance 2026-OR-03, **AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF EDMONSTON TO APPROPRIATE AND ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 - 2027.** Council Member McCauley motioned, seconded by Council Member Bonilla, to accept the final consideration of ordinance 2026-OR-03 as presented.

Vote:
Ayes: Bonilla, Johnson, McCauley, Turberville
Nays: None
Motion Carried

B. The final consideration of ordinance 2026-OR-02. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF EDMONSTON TO AMEND THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 – 2026 was presented.** Council Member Bonilla motioned, seconded by Council Member McCauley, to accept the final consideration of ordinance 2026-OR-02 as presented.

Vote:
Ayes: Bonilla, Johnson, McCauley, Turberville
Nays: None
Motion Carried

6. Council Dialogue – No comments

7. Mayor's Comments – No comments

8. Adjournment

Councilmember Betsy McCauley moved, seconded by Councilmember Sarah Turberville to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Vote:
Ayes: Bonilla, Johnson, McCauley, Turberville
Nays: None
Motion Carried

ATTEST:

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Derria Faison, Police Clerk

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Tracy R. Gant, Mayor