

**City Council Final Millage and Budget Hearing Minutes**  
**September 22, 2025**  
**5:15 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers**

**1. Call to Order**

The Final Millage and Final Budget Adoption Public Hearing of the Crestview City Council was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Mayor JB Whitten. Members present: Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Capps and Councilmembers: Ryan Bullard, Brandon Frost, Dusty Allison, and Shannon Hayes. Also present: City Manager Jessica Leavins, City Clerk Maryanne Girard, City Attorney Jonathan Holloway, and various staff members.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Financial Management Analyst Wendy Tarpley.

**3. Open Policy Making and Legislative Session**

Mayor JB Whitten declared a quorum was present.

**4. Approve Agenda**

Mayor JB Whitten called for action.

**Motion** by Councilmember Shannon Hayes and seconded by Councilmember Brandon Frost to approve the agenda, as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Doug Capps, Ryan Bullard, Shannon Hayes, Brandon Frost, Dusty Allison. All ayes. Motion carried.

**5. Public Hearings/Resolutions for Final Millage and Budget**

**5.1. Resolution 2025 - 20, Adopting the FY25/26 Final Millage Rate**

City Manager J. Leavins introduced Resolution 2025-20, A Resolution Adopting the FY25/26 Final Millage Rate to the City Council. Within fifteen days after the tentative millage hearing, the city must advertise its intent to adopt a final millage. The public hearing to adopt the final millage must be two to five days after the advertisement appears in the paper.

She stated the following announcements are as required by Florida Statute 200.065(5): The Taxing Authority is the City of Crestview, 6.6225 is the current rollback rate, 6.6466 is the proposed operating millage rate and the .36 percentage increase over the rolled-back rate. The Final Millage rate to be levied is 6.6466.

City Clerk Maryanne Girard read the Resolution by title: A Resolution of the City of Crestview, Florida, Adopting the Final Levying of a Millage of 6.6466 For the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending September 30, 2026, and Providing For An Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for action.

**Motion** by Councilmember Dusty Allison and seconded by Councilmember Shannon Hayes to adopt Resolution 2025-20.

Roll Call: Ayes: Doug Capps, Ryan Bullard, Shannon Hayes, Brandon Frost, Dusty Allison. All ayes. Motion carried.

5.2. Resolution 2025 - 21 Adopting the Final FY25/26 Budget

City Manager J. Leavins introduced Resolution 2025-21, A Resolution Adopting the Final FY25/26 Budget to the City Council. She stated within fifteen days after the tentative budget Hearing; the city must advertise its intent to adopt a final budget. The public hearing to adopt the final budget must be two to five days after the advertisement appears in the newspaper. She then asked the City Clerk to read Resolution 2025-21 by title.

City Clerk Maryanne Girard read Resolution 2025-21: A Resolution of the City of Crestview, of Okaloosa County, Florida, Adopting the Final Budget For the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending September 30, 2026 and Providing For An Effective Date.

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment and in hearing none, called for action.

**Motion** by Councilmember Ryan Bullard and seconded by Councilmember Dusty Allison to adopt Resolution 2025-21.

Roll Call: Ayes: Doug Capps, Ryan Bullard, Shannon Hayes, Brandon Frost, Dusty Allison. All ayes. Motion carried.

6. **Comments from the Mayor and Council**

Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the Council.

7. **Comments from the Audience**

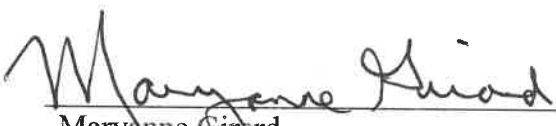
Mayor JB Whitten called for comment from the public.

8. **Adjournment**

Mayor JB Whitten adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Minutes approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025.

  
JB Whitten  
Mayor

  
Maryanne Girard  
City Clerk  
*Proper Notice having been duly given*

