



Meeting Minutes
City Council

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

5:00 PM

Council Chambers
200 West Walker Street

Council Work Session

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a work session in Council Chambers at 200 West Walker Street on the above date at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor:

Pat Hallisey

City Council Members:

**Andy Mann
Hank Dugie
Larry Millican
Todd Kinsey
Greg Gripon
Chad Tressler
Nick Long**

City Manager:

John Baumgartner

Assistant City Manager

Bo Bass

Assistant City Manager

Michael Kramm

City Attorney:

Nghiem Doan

City Secretary:

Diana M. Stapp

Chief of Police:

Gary Ratliff

Executive Director of Development Services

David Hoover

Director of Budget/Project Management

Angie Steelman

Director of Engineering:

Christopher Sims

Director of Finance:

Kristine Polian

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

Janet Shirley

Director of Parks & Cultural Services:

Chien Wei

Director of Public Works:

Jody Hooks

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Hallisey called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present with Mr. Dugie arriving at 5:05 and Mr. Long at 5:08.

Present 8 - Mayor Pat Hallisey, Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, Mr. Greg Gripon, Mr. Chad Tressler and Mr. Nick Long

2. REVIEW OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

Presentation was given by Assistant City Manager Mike Kramm.

PRESENTATION FORMAT

- Statutory Authority
- Definitions and Constraints
- City of League City Agreements and Memberships

GOVERNMENT CODE

- **TITLE 7. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS CHAPTER 791. INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACTS**
- Interlocal Cooperation Act
- Purpose: to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of local governments by authorizing them to contract, to the greatest possible extent, with one another and with agencies of the state

INTERLOCAL CONTRACTING AUTHORITY TERMS

- A local government may contract or agree with another local government ... to perform governmental functions and services in accordance with this chapter

DEFINITIONS

- "Governmental functions and services" means all or part of a function or service in any of the following areas:
 - o Police protection and detention services
 - o Fire protection
 - o Streets, roads, and drainage
 - o Public health and welfare
 - o Parks and recreation
 - o Library and museum services
 - o Records center services
 - o Waste disposal
 - o Planning
 - o Engineering
 - o Administrative functions
 - o Public funds investment
 - o Comprehensive health care and hospital services or
 - o Other governmental functions in which the contracting parties are mutually interested

- **"Local government" means a:**
 - o County, municipality, special district, junior college district, or other political subdivision of this state or another state
 - o Local government corporation created under Subchapter D, Chapter 431, Transportation Code
 - o Political subdivision corporation created under Chapter 304, Local Government Code
 - o Combination of two or more entities described above

POLICE SERVICES

- **Gulf Coast Regional Information and Dispatch (GRID) consortium – ILAs with 20 entities**
- **Mutual Aid – ILAs with 12 entities**
- **City of Sugarland – Reciprocal dispatch if needed because of Covid-19**
- **Houston PD and Houston Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force – MOU for participation in federally funded program**
- **City of Houston – Use and transfer of the “Rhino” to LC SWAT**
- **Bay Area Regional Bomb Squad (BARBS) – ILAs with 3 entities to allow participation of LC bomb technicians in BARBS 9 Police Services**
- **City of Alvin and City of Pearland – Combined Agency Response Team for response to high risk incidents**
- **Pasadena – Use of rifle range and driving track**
- **City of Alvin – Use of outdoor gun range**
- **Harris County Sheriff’s Office – AFIS access**
- **Galveston County District Attorney – Contraband Forfeiture Agreement**
- **Brazoria County – Contraband Forfeiture Agreement 10 Police Services**
- **Alvin Community College – Use of indoor gun range**
- **CCISD – School Crossing Guard Program**
- **TxDPS – SSNs for undercover work**
- **TxDPS plus 7 other entities – Breath Alcohol Service Consortium**
- **TxDPS – Purchasing for Breath Testing, laboratory Alcohol and Drug Testing Program 11 Police Services**
- **FBI – Houston Coastal Safe Streets Task Force**
- **US Marshal Service – Violent Fugitive Apprehension Task Force**
- **DEA – Galveston Task Force**
- **DEA – Houston Tactical Division Squad**
- **DEA + LC + 4 entities – Narcotics Traffic Intelligence Analysts**

FIRE AND EMS

- **Texas State Statute - Enables mutual aid as an umbrella agreement for all Texas fire departments; responding agency will charge for the use of those resources starting after the first 12 hours of engagement**

- **Automatic Mutual Aid Agreements - With Webster, Dickinson, Kemah and Bacliff fire departments for automatic dispatch to structure fires. Share CAD systems that will allow automatic dispatch. Bacliff does not have a compatible CAD for automatic dispatch but was necessary for out ISO 1 rating while we put fire station 6 together**
- **Galveston County - To provide emergency response to unincorporated portions of Galveston County, if needed, in return for \$22,500 from County for the purchase of needed equipment**
- **Texas Forest Service –A wildland fire brush truck kept at Station 1 and a 2 ½ ton high water vehicle kept at Station 4 was awarded through grant process (Stipulation that should those resources be needed at emergencies anywhere in the state that League City will make them available) as part of the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS)**
- **FEMA Department of Homeland Security – Awarded funding for an all-hazards fireboat through the Port Security grant program, in return for response to emergencies in the Galveston Bay area if called upon**
- **College of the Mainland – Allows use of the League City fire drill field for firefighter certification classes for an annual payment of \$3,000**
- **Mutual Aid Ambulance ILAs with Friendswood VFD EMS; Galveston EMS and Clear Lake Emergency Medical Corps (CLEMC). All are more than 20 years old. The three agreements entail providing ambulances and personnel at the requests of the entity in need**
- **MOUs with San Jacinto Junior College, College of the Mainland and Galveston College for their students to attend clinical internships with League City EMS. Houston Community College has requested and is preparing an MOU for the same**

STREETS, ROADS, AND DRAINAGE

- **Dickinson Avenue Reconstruction and other intersection improvements using county contributions of more than \$10,000,000**
- **Interlocal agreements with and contributions of more than \$600,000 from multiple entities in the Lower Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou Watershed Study for drainage solutions**
- **Interlocal with HGAC to secure funding for construction of North Landing Extension, a \$31,270,000 project**
- **Agreements with TxDOT for construction of hike and bike trails along FM 518, FM 270 and SH 3**

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

- **Galveston County Health District (14 entities)**
- **WCID #1, Out of District Water & Sewer-**
 - Sewer \$7,700 (14 connections), Water \$52,000 (94 connections)**
 - Provide water and/or sewer service to remote areas of area of COLC ETJ that are NOT accessible to existing City Utilities**

- **City of Webster, Out of District Sewer-**
 - Sewer \$112,000 (1 Multi-family connection and 2 Commercial connections)**
 - Provide sewer service to remote areas of areas of COLC ETJ that are NOT accessible to existing City Utilities**

- **Galveston County Health District, Water Pollution Control and Abatement Services**
 - Est Annual Expenditure \$33,266 equally divided between Streets & Storm Department and Wastewater**
 - GCHD investigates, documents, and assists in resolving water quality complaints in local stream bodies within the ETJ of COLC;**
 - Conducts one annual comprehensive and three scheduled inspections with follow-up reports, of COLC's Wastewater Treatment Facilities**
 - Provides as needed investigations of non-point source water pollution and associated water sample collection and lab testing in support of MS4 stormwater permit 19 Public health and welfare**

- **Harris Galveston Subsidence District, Water Wise Program**
 - Est Annual Expenditure, \$12,031**
 - Provides groundwater credits for future use, sale, or trade**
 - Credits would be utilized in the event of a catastrophic loss of surface water supply**
 - HGSD disincentive fees of \$9.00/1000 gallons could be avoided up to the amount of accrued groundwater credits**
 - Credits are applied through a \$36 per student charge that funds water conservation materials as part of classroom curriculum 20 Public health and welfare**

- **Gulf Coast Water Authority (GCWA)**
 - Multiple agreements to provide water**
 - 39" WL Assessment - Not to Exceed Cost, \$244,913 - a collaborative effort with GCWA for an in-pipe assessment of the 39" WL that serves COLC's surface water supply preceding Calder Rd Phase Two**

- **WCID #1, Emergency Water Interconnect**
 - \$1.95/1000 gallons on as needed basis in the event of an emergency**

- **City of Friendswood, Mutual Aid**
 - Justification: Initiated after Hurricane Harvey to provide mutual support of repairs to Water/Wastewater Utilities in times of emergency.**

- **Westwood Management District – provide water wastewater, and drainage facilities as well as parks and recreation facilities within the District**

PARKS AND RECREATION**Galveston County Parks and Cultural Services**

- **Congregate Meal Service at Hometown Heroes Park.**
- **Since 2007 at the Recreation Center and then at Hometown Heroes Park when it opened in October of 2012. Meals are provided on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and are delivered and prepared by County staff. The criteria for eligibility include at least 60 years of age and a resident of Galveston County. Currently, 90 clients are registered through the program, with 58 being League City residents (64%)**
- **Funding for the program is available through a grant obtained by the Galveston County Parks and Cultural Services Department. The total amount awarded to the County in the grant is \$206,999, with \$34,560 dedicated to League City, roughly 16%**

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM SERVICES**Galveston County Library System**

- o **Intersystem library loans for participating Galveston County libraries**
- o **Supplements to library operating budget for county libraries**
- o **Homebound library delivery services**
- o **Professional development opportunities**

Houston Area Database Consortium (HADC)

- o **Overdrive e-books and e-audiobooks**

Online Computer Library Center (OCLC)

- o **Interlibrary loans for participating libraries around the world**
- o **Digital collection cataloging resources**
- o **WebDewey – web access to the Dewey Decimal Classification (DDC) System**
- o **WorldCat – world’s largest bibliographic database 23 Library and museum services**

Texas SmartBuy contract (715-M2)

- o **Competitive pricing of print materials on behalf of participating Texas libraries**

Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) TexShare

- o **TexShare card for participating libraries**
- o **Competitive prices for electronic resources and databases**
- o **Coordinates Texas interlibrary loan operations**
- o **Distribute Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) grant funds**
- o **Professional development**

ENGINEERING

- **TXDOT - City of League City - Traffic Signal - Agreements for the installation and reimbursement for operation and maintenance of traffic signals along IH-45 corridor**

- **TXDOT - City of League City Municipal Maintenance Agreement - State participation in the maintenance of: Non-controlled access routes Highway 3; FM 518, FM 1266; FM 2094**
- **State participation in the maintenance of: All state Highway routes already designated by Texas Highway Commission as Controlled Access Highways: Interstate Highway 45**
- **Harris County Flood Control District and City of League City - Administer a Regional Public Education Services program related to stormwater quality and other issues. Install and Maintain six flood gauges within League City boundaries**

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS

- **Dickinson Bayou Watershed Management**

- **Tax collection by County used to require ILA, but change in Tx Statutes in 2015 led to only requiring a request (resolution) to GCAD to do normal taxes**
 - Collection of tax for PIDs had an ILA in 2018 so that GCAD Would collect them as well – auto renewal annually unless one or the other notifies of termination**

- **TIRZ 2**

COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE AND HOSPITAL SERVICES

- **University of Texas Health System for Employee Assistance Program services. We have had two previous one-year agreements with them beginning in July 2018 and they have provided the following:**
 - **SUMMARY OF COMPONENTS**
 1. **Mental Health Services**
 2. **Legal/Financial/Identity Theft Services**
 3. **Work-life Services**
 4. **Training/Promotional/On-site Services**
 5. **Other Services**

OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS IN WHICH THE CONTRACTING PARTIES ARE MUTUALLY INTERESTED

- **Boundary adjustments – done by one-time ILAs with no responsibilities or obligations after approval**

- **Harris County – Regional Radio Network**
 - Dispatch center connected via fiber to this system**
 - Redundant fiber paths – one of only a few on their system like this**
 - Partner with them on our radio tower, with 3 additional towers in Galveston County**
 - Since we are a system owner, we are not charged for each radio on the system**

PURCHASING COOPERATIVES

- **HGAC, BuyBoard, TxSmartBuy, DIR and SHI Government Solutions, TIPS**
- **We also occasionally use the federal government (GSA) contracts**
- **Galveston County- Limestone - purchasing cooperative**
- **The co-op does the sourcing, and the contracts are available for all the members**
- **Per statute, we can use them without having to go through additional sourcing**
- **With BuyBoard, we are eligible for a 3% rebate on purchases made through their contracts**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIPS

- **Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership – (a) Annual contract of services that this organization provides to the City of League City each year for \$35,000, plus (b) a loose association of professional economic developers in the thirteen communities that partner with this organization to stimulate economic development in the Bay Area of Houston**
- **Houston-Galveston Area Council -- \$0 to the Economic Development Department to promote policies and legislation for transportation, planning, economic development, and other topics that affect the quality of life in League City, Texas 32 Economic Development Partnerships**
- **Name: Bay Area Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau**
- **Other Cities Involved: Nassau Bay, Seabrook, Kemah**
- **15% of the total yearly HOT tax revenues collected by the City. Our current signed agreement is in place until September 30, 2022.**
- **Role City Pays: Two members of City staff currently serve on the board—Sarah Greer Osborne and Stephanie Molina**

CONCLUSIONS

- **Interlocal agreements and consortiums are valuable force multipliers and dollar stretchers**

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**4. ADJOURNMENT**

At 5:49 p.m. Mayor Hallisey said there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

**PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR**

JEANNE HAMMACK
DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY

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MINUTES APPROVED: