



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
200 West Walker Street

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers at 200 West Walker Street on the above date at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor:

Pat Hallisey

City Council Members:

**Dan Becker
Hank Dugie
Larry Millican
Todd Kinsey
Greg Gripon
Keith Gross
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

Director of Budget/Project Management

Angie Steelman

Director of Engineering:

Christopher Sims

Director of Finance:

Allena Portis

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

Janet Shirley

Director of Parks & Cultural Services:

Chien Wei

Director of Planning/Development:

David Hoover

Director of Public Works:

Jody Hooks

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Hallisey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present.

Present 8 - Mayor Pat Hallisey, Mr. Dan Becker, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, Mr. Greg Gripon, Mr. Keith Gross and Mr. Nick Long

2. **INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG**

The invocation was given by Bishop Craig Norman of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 3A. [18-0246](#) March 27, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 3B. [18-0226](#) April 10, 2018 Council Work Session
- 3C. [18-0248](#) April 10, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 3D. [18-0247](#) April 24, 2018 Council Work Session

Mayor Hallisey asked if there were any corrections. He said hearing none, these minutes are approved.

4. **PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS, AND COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT**

- 4A. [18-0234](#) Presentation of a proclamation declaring May 6-12, 2018 as Public Employees Roundtable (PER)'s Public Service Recognition Week (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)
- 4B. [18-0225](#) National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Inc. recognition of League City Volunteer Firefighter Steve DeVillier and League City EMS Supervisor Chris Claggett (Mayor Hallisey)

5. **CITIZENS REQUEST FOR HEARING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL**

The privilege of speaking at this time is limited to the following persons: residents, persons having an ownership interest in property or a business located within the City, or their attorneys.

A statement of no more than 3 minutes may be made. There will be no yielding of time to another person. State law prohibits the Mayor and members of the City Council from commenting on any statement or engaging in dialogue without an appropriate agenda item being posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Comments should be directed to the entire Council, not individual members of Council or staff. If addressing a specific agenda item, speakers must keep their remarks specific to the item being considered by the City Council. Any speaker making personal attacks or using vulgar or profane language shall forfeit his/her remaining time and shall be seated.

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Gary Jackson	214 W. Saunder	Thank You/Drainage
Paul Robinson	4600 Country Club, Dickinson	Resolution Request
Joe Fazio	1318 Altavilla Ln.	Excess Sewer Fees
Linda Whiteley	3007 Massengale	Thank You/Debris Removal
Monica Millican	934 Plantation	Animal Shelter

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

- 6A. [18-0215](#)** Hold a public hearing on an amendment to Chapter 125 of the League City Code of Ordinances entitled, "Zoning" by amending Sections 125-42 and 125-45 to allow for the combined submittal of site development plans and building permits (Director of Planning and Development)

Mayor Hallisey opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

No one signed up to speak.

Mayor Hallisey closed the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.

- 6B. [18-0216](#)** Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 125 of the League City Code of Ordinances entitled, "Zoning" by amending Sections 125-42 and 125-45 to allow for the combined submittal of site development plans and building permits (Director of Planning and Development)

Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval, 6-0-0 with two members absent, on April 2, 2018.

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-10 amending Chapter 125 of the League City Code of Ordinances entitled, "Zoning" by amending Sections 125-42 and 125-45 to allow for the combined submittal of site development plans and building permits. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

7. COMMENTS/REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Announcements concerning items of community interest. No action will be taken or discussed.

Mayor Pro Tem Todd Kinsey said I had the honor last week to represent the City at Houston State of the City Address. That was really an impressive event. It was at the Hilton America's. I was able to sit with some other mayors and mayor pro tems. Houston put on quite a show. All I have other than that is the library. On Wednesday, May 9, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., a representative from the Texas Gulf Coast Medical Group will be there discussing practical medical reform for families. This program is free and open to the public and will be in the Library Theater. English Conversation Practice will take place on Monday, May 14, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. This program is open to adults of any English skill level. Finally, the Friends of the Helen Hall Library are sponsoring a Community Garage Sale on Saturday, May 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Friends and help support the library.

Dan Becker had no comments.

Hank Dugie said first off everyone thank you for being here or for tuning in at home. I still hear that our Channel 16 viewership is increasing every week so that's good news. I'm not sure about today with some of the connectivity issues but maybe next time it'll go up. That all being said, we had a wonderful event in League City over the weekend. The event formerly known as the Village Fair, now days is known as the League City Music Festival and Barbeque Cookoff. I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who was a part of the event, either as a volunteer or a vendor or a sponsor or even those of you who came out and attended and enjoyed it just as a participant because all the money and efforts that are raised during that weekend go to local charities and they allow the Lions Club to send students from the community to Texas Lion's Camp where they have the opportunity to participate in activities that they might not normally be able to participate in. We all had a great time over the weekend and it's all for a good cause, so I really do appreciate everyone's involvement and I know that the Lion's Club will probably be starting on the 2019 festival here in the next month or two so be looking out for that. The Salute to Heroes event was a great event. Always a good time over at the South Shore Harbour Resort and I am really appreciative to be a part of this group and to be able to represent this city at those type of events.

Larry Millican had no comments.

Greg Gripon said I guess I'll say ditto to everything Hank just said. I will say this, it was a wonderful event. The weather was fantastic. We had 97 barbeque teams out there. It was amazing. The event has just really grown. It's really one of those League City proud things. I'm excited to see the future of the event grow even more.

Keith Gross said good evening, Mr. Mayor and good evening everybody. I just want to thank the Lion's Club for putting on such a wonderful event. It was truly a fantastic time. My wife and my kid and I go every year and we love it so thank you much.

Nick Long said I got to attend the Galveston Tourism Summit which was very interesting. They reported that there's more record number of visitors that went to the island this year and pretty much every single one of those visitors had to drive through League City to get there. So it kind of underscores when they're seeing literally millions, I think the number is almost eight million or nine million, it's a lot. When those people are driving down Interstate 45 we have an opportunity to capture some of their spends, some of their revenue, here in League City. So it kind of underscores what that opportunity really means to us in the long term and as Galveston grows, they might serve as a magnet but we have a very good opportunity to pick some up here. Also, speaking of the trash, we talked about this last time. I think we have heard you. The city staff is working diligently to look for options to explore changing or possibly looking at something for Saturday pickups but the first thing you do is you have to figure out what this would all cost so the staff is working that out. They're going to bring that back to city council soon and then we will have an open discussion with that within the next couple of weeks. And lastly, good luck to the League City Hooks. Today is their opening day of their playoffs for the seven-year-old League City Little League baseball playoffs. It starts at 7:45 p.m. I am the first base coach, which being a seven-year-old first base coach is not the hardest position in the world so hopefully we can knock this out, get our business over, but if not don't steal without me there.

Mayor Hallisey said May is heart month, is that correct? Early this morning, at the behest of our Chamber of Commerce and our CEO and President, there was an American Heart Association kick-off over at the U of H Clear Lake which I had an opportunity to speak about my two heart attacks back in October and I just want to say this about it because it was the undercurrent of my talk. All of these items are preventable and I think for the other speakers there this morning it was important to say that they are preventable. There are ways that you can prevent heart attacks and strokes but the first thing that has to happen is you have to take your own responsibility for your own body and you have to tune in to what's going on. I encourage everybody here tonight and everybody that's listening at home, please check the American Heart Association website so you can find out what the symptoms are so that if you're in that situation you can identify it rather easily. I also want to say that I really appreciate the Chamber. We talk about the Chamber being a business representative of our business community but I think what happened this morning was a great opportunity to talk about our community health. Steve Paterson, I applaud you and I applaud all the people that you have that put that together. It was a good turnout at U of H Clear Lake. Tomorrow night is the American Heart Association Run Kickoff. That's at Ellington at the Lone Star Flight Museum and I think that starts at 6:00 p.m. for anybody that's interested in making it. What they didn't say about the Salute To Heroes is that there was a lot of money raised for veterans that are returning. We all enjoyed the Bellamy Brothers. Most of you in here are probably not old enough to remember who the Bellamy Brothers are but some of us are. We enjoyed their music. They put on a nice show. It was a nice get together and they raised a lot of money

for veterans that are coming back to our community. A couple of things that Lion Greg did not say and he'll be beat around the head and shoulders when he gets home tonight, when he talks about the future of what was the Village Fair which has become the Texas Music Festival, I'm impressed that the two chairmen of that this year, one of them I think is 26 years old, the other one I think is 32, Jason Long did the barbeque cookoff. He was the chair. As they said earlier they had 95 teams out there. That was a turnout and if you have not been out to that cookoff, you really ought to go because it's a show in itself. Not only are people having a good time but the decorations out there are pretty phenomenal so kudos to Jason. Good job on that. The entertainment was phenomenal. The booths were phenomenal. Justin Gripon, Greg's son, was the chair of that. The Lions were out there working for the good not only in this community but they raised a lot of money for the crippled children's camp in Kerrville but they also raised a lot of money that they reinvest back into League City. I'm sure you'll pass this on to them at the next meeting. We're very proud of everybody. It was a great event. I echo Mr. Long's comments on the trash. John is working that out. He'll be beat over the shoulders by the next person that calls and screams at me because I will send them to him. Anyway, there's some interesting discussion we will be having on that. Cindy Rohan, who lives in League City, who is a stewardess for Southwest Airlines was in New York yesterday morning was in her hotel room and did not make the call to get on her airplane to provide the service that she provides. They found her in her room. She had a brain stem bleed that was pretty horrific. I think her chances of recovery are probably pretty slim but if you have a moment to think about Cindy Rohan in your prayers tonight please do that. She is married to Bad Bob Rohan and if you follow country music, he's probably as good a fiddler as you'll find anywhere and they live out in Tuscan Lakes. We're proud of him and we're praying for Cindy. Life is so fragile, you just never know when these things can happen to you or to anybody else.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

Announcements concerning items of community interest. No action will be taken or discussed.

John Baumgartner, City Manager, said I would like to thank the community tonight for the kind words they had about staff, Ms. Whitely and Mr. Jackson. It's a real pleasure to work for this community and serve the community. We appreciate the comments you have that are positive in nature but with that, when you see something out in the community that is not right obviously, give Bo a call or Jody a call, that would be safe way to get things done and accomplished quickly. Not that I wouldn't do that because I would give those to Bo and Jody but without great people working for the City, and it's not just Bo and Jody, we had the public service recognition tonight, it's all the employees that work here. They make my job easy, they make my job successful. I appreciate their efforts. I know that the community does too by the comments we had tonight. We're not perfect but our goals are to provide world class customer service. We try to do that each and every day. If we make a mistake or we have a service issue that we need to correct we will do that with a pleasure and a smile on our face and work to improve for the next time. Anyway, I would like to thank the community for that. As it relates to trash, we are working through some options with our vendor. Hopefully next week we will have some pricing which we will obviously make communication with the council and the community a challenge as I have talked to AmeriWaste, to make changes is going to cost some money and we'll have to have that conversation going forward and so we've heard the community and we will continue to work on that and bring information back to the community and the council. With that, I would like to have Sarah come back up and talk about a new program, one of my favorites, League City Love and she's going to give us a brief outline of what that's about.

Sarah Greer Osborne, Director of Communications, said if you were out at the League City Musical Festival this weekend, we actually debuted our new social media campaign called Share Your LC Love For League City Love. We developed this because we wanted a way for our residents and for those visiting League City to interact and share their feedback with us so we kind of formed what we call the communications street team. We had a booth this weekend on Friday and Saturday at the League City Musical Festival. You're going to see us at a lot of events in the future and folks were allowed to share with us what they loved about League City. We had great success with that. The promo video that we did had over 700 views. We had 77 pictures posted and reached about 7,000 people. On Twitter we heard about 13,000 impressions over two days on both Friday and Saturday and we just put together a little video to show you so you can see what folks were sharing with us on video and they also could hold up a sign and talk about what they loved about League City. We had a lot of people come up and take photos with us, kind of overwhelmingly the people loved the parks, they loved the people which I thought was a great answer. We will be at quite a few upcoming events. We will be at the Hurricane Fair this Saturday, the Helen Hall Library Garage Sale, quite a few HOA meetings, I'm at one tomorrow night for CenterPoint. We plan on going out to Hometown Heroes Park during the week and sharing our LCLove and of course, the July 3rd fireworks show that's coming up. You all have a t-shirt. If you need more, please let me know. I consider t-shirts kind of walking billboards so please wear it out and about as you are in League City and

encourage folks to continue to use that hashtag #LCLove on Twitter, Pinterest, Instagram. I know Councilman Dugie you're a big fan of Snapchat so we actually had a special filter so we had about 200 folks use that filter with over 2,000 views of those photos so we'll be doing that a lot more as well.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Item 9D was pulled by Mr. Becker, 9E was pulled by Mr. Dugie.

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Becker, to approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

- 9A. [18-0224](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a three-year agreement with Core and Main LP for materials related to annual line repairs in an amount not to exceed \$575,000 (Director of Public Works)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-56

- 9B. [18-0237](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$127,055.00 and authorizing an additional \$17,945.00 for a construction work change directive budget with Teamwork Construction Services for the Nature Center Fly Ash Trail Project (PK1801C) (Director of Budget & Project Management).

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-57

- 9C. [18-0238](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a design agreement with LJA Engineering for the 24" Waterline Relocation on League City Parkway project in an amount not exceed \$126,700.00 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-58

- 9D. [18-0240](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with TBG Partners for the design of the Hometown Heroes Park 5K Loop Project (PK1803) in an amount not to exceed \$93,000 (Director of Budget & Project Management).

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Becker, to approve this item tonight contingent upon staff exploring the in-house option as well as an option of hiring a consultant (hourly), and if staff deems neither are feasible, staff has the approval.

A motion was made by Long, seconded by Mr. Becker, to postpone for two weeks.

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Becker, to postpone to the first meeting in June. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

- 9E. [18-0239](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a design agreement with Burditt Consultants, LLC for preliminary design of the FM270 Public Boat Ramp Renovation project in an amount not exceed \$62,000.00 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Resolution No. 2017-59 authorizing a design agreement with Burditt Consultants, LLC for preliminary design of the FM270 Public Boat Ramp Renovation project in an amount not exceed \$62,000.00. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

- 10A. [18-0227](#) Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 54 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled "Health and Sanitation" by amending Section 54-32 to prohibit property conditions that cause pest infestation (Director of Planning and Development)

Council postponed 8-0-0 on April 24, 2018.

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-11 amending Chapter 54 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled "Health and Sanitation" by amending Section 54-32 to prohibit property conditions that cause pest infestation. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 11A. [18-0242](#) Consider and take action to form a subcommittee of the City Council to review and update City Manager's goals (Council Member Dugie and Council Member Millican)

A motion was made by Mayor Hallisey, seconded by Mr. Long, to create a Council subcommittee chaired by Mayor Pro Tem Kinsey, and including Council Members Millican, Dugie and Gross. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

12. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 12A. [18-0222](#) Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled "Traffic and Vehicles", by amending Article V "Operation of Vehicles", to add Section 110-144 entitled "Off-Road Operation of Motor Vehicles" (Chief of Police)

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Becker, to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City.

The motion failed by the following vote:

For: 4 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Millican and Mr. Kinsey

Opposed: 4 - Mr. Dugie, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Gross and Mr. Long

13. ITEMS ADDED AFTER ELECTRONIC AGENDA COMPLETED

14. EXECUTIVE(CLOSED) SESSION(S)

14A. [18-0228](#) Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.072 Government Code - Deliberations about real property

Discuss potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Pulled

14B. [18-0235](#) Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.071 Government Code - Consultation with Attorney

Consultation with the City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, to-wit: legal issues related to Calder Road Project (City Attorney)

Pulled

At 7:36 p.m. Mayor Hallisey announced that Items 14A and 14B have been pulled and the City Council will now go into executive session to discuss the following items:

14C. [18-0232](#) Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074 Government Code - Personnel Matters

Discuss employment or appointment of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Secretary (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

14D. [18-0230](#) Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074 Government Code - Personnel Matters

Discuss employment or appointment of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Attorney (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

14E. [18-0251](#) Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.071 Government Code - Consultation with Attorney

Consultation with the City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, to-wit: legal issues related to MUD 6 (City Attorney)

At 8:31 p.m. Mayor Hallisey reconvened the regular meeting and announced there was no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in the executive session just concluded.

15. ACTION ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)

- 15A. 18-0229** Consider and take action on discussion concerning potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Budget & Project Management)
- Pulled**
- 15B. 18-0236** Consider and take action on consultation regarding legal issues related to Calder Road Project (City Attorney)
- Pulled**
- 15C. 18-0233** Consider and take action on the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Secretary (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)
- A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to increase the City Secretary salary to the amount indicated on the compensation study. The motion passed by the following vote:**
- For:** 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Gross
- Absent:** 1 - Mr. Long
- 15D. 18-0231** Consider and take action on the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Attorney (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)
- A motion was made by Mr. Gross, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve the 2% increase as discussed in chambers. The motion passed by the following vote:**
- For:** 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Becker, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Gross
- Absent:** 1 - Mr. Long
- 15E. 18-0252** Consider and take action on legal matters related to MUD 6 (City Attorney)
- No Action**

16. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:34 p.m. Mayor Hallisey said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

**PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR**

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: July 24, 2018