



Meeting Minutes  
City Council

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Tuesday, April 24, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers  
200 West Walker Street

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**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**

**Interim 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 Pastor Aaron Lutz of Clear Creek Community Church. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 3A. 18-0204 March 13, 2018 Council Work Session
- 3B. 18-0205 March 13, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 3C. 18-0207 March 19, 2018 Special Council Meeting
- 3D. 18-0218 March 27, 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. 18-0212 Community Spotlight - League City Lions Club (Council Member Gripon and Council Member Dugie)  
  
Mission: To empower volunteers to serve our community, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote understanding through our Lions Club

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
Ken Clark	174 Calder Rd	11C
Geri Bentley	4411 Pebble Beach	Trash
Yvonne Tibai	2245 Leisure Lane	Orange Grove
Gary Jackson	214 W. Saunder	Drainage
Teresa Kumelski	2110 Fairbay Circle	Congressional Redistricting
Jay Williams	809 Bauer	Trees
Peggy Zahler	1802 Rampart	Citizen Expectations

6. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING**

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 we specifically as a council reallocated funds that were going to go to building infrastructure, to trying to figure out what's happening with drainage. All of us up here are still trying to figure that out too. We still haven't gotten these reports back. We got the first little tidbits tonight. Building technology has changed a lot over the decades and that's why the new subdivisions have the big drainage ponds and storm sewers. But then, the question is how do you go back and retrofit to fix the problems in the old neighborhoods when that technology wasn't around. It seems simple enough, but when you're a community that's downstream of the third biggest city in the United States, that's a pretty big nut to crack. I think it's going to be a long time before we really develop a plan, I think we'll probably be dealing with that well into next year. I'm trying to figure out what is it that we do to try and fix this because I think it's important that we don't overcorrect. Because then we're spending money we don't need to spend to try and fix a problem that may or may not exist. There are challenges, we have a lot of those when we're growing the way we are. But I just ask that you kind of bear with us, we're trying to do our best to get our heads around everything that's going on. A lot of the people sitting up here had damage as well and are still dealing with it. Going on over at the library, families with children are invited to the carnival on Sunday, April 29, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. That will be in the library theater. There will be games, snacks and photos taken by Left Hand Events. On May 7, come celebrate Mother's Day. They are doing a genealogy program from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the theater and this is for adults only. And finally, prospective volunteers can find out more about volunteer opportunities at the library and special projects, displays, and advocacy programs. That's on Tuesday, May 1, at the Volunteer Night in the library boardroom. Teens are also welcome at that for college volunteer credits.

Nick Long said I want to thank everybody for coming tonight. I want to particularly thank Commissioner Clark for coming and for his leadership on this whole issue. Not only on the CBDG funds but also the regional approach to flooding. It's going to take a coordinated effort across not only Galveston County but also Harris and Brazoria and all the other places that flood and we end up getting their water and his leadership on that issue has been phenomenal. Also, the Mayor and I attended the Clear Creek ISD fashion show. Thankfully for everyone there we were not models. We were just in the crowd. It was pretty interesting. They had some pretty phenomenal skits and presentations from the students. It was a neat time. Lastly, the trash petition, so like it was mentioned earlier, I did receive 200 plus signatures from South Shore Harbour and feel their pain. I know several of us up here, I know definitely us three, and I think the Mayor as well, have been impacted by that change and understand that Saturday pick-up is not exactly ideal and that change is hard. I do have the commitment from Mr. Baumgartner and Mr. Bass to put together some communications and to really get to the bottom of why it's changing, how it's changing and to make sure that it's fully understood for all the people out there. I think the lack of information and just the posting of the signs on the road have caused a lot of this shock so I'm hoping with some more information and some better explanations we can help work through this problem and get back to a smooth consistent service.

Dan Becker had no comments.

Hank Dugie said thank you everybody for being here and for tuning in at home. I heard that our viewership on Channel 16 is increasing, which is good news. I don't think it makes us television stars but it is good to hear that citizens are tuning in and using that connectivity. I do want to address what's been going on, in regards to future flooding, mitigation. As you know, it's a long process, it's never fast enough and there's always more that I think we can do. We have, I believe, five more neighborhood studies to come back. So we as a city are approaching the neighborhoods that have flooded most severely, individually, seeing if there's solutions that we can put into each of those communities that will mitigate flooding in the future. I'm hoping that some of those studies of the communities along the creek will point us in the right direction towards solving it, but what I think I'm hearing from Ms. Zahler and what we're hearing from the citizens around the community every day is that League City needs to take charge and lead the county and lead the region and I think it's a fair expectation because we are the largest city in Galveston County and we are smack dab in the middle between Houston and Galveston. Almost all the water that flows through the region flows through League City at some point and it would make sense for us to be at least part of this conversation. We might not like what we hear in these conversations. It might be a billion dollar price tag to get the type of solution that we need but I think it is important that we're a part of this conversation. I want to assure everybody that we are a part of many of them. If there is any conversation that you feel that we need to be a part of, or be a part of in a greater sense, let us know.

Myself or other council members will personally take it upon ourselves to go out and to be a part of it. I know that there are HOA's, community groups that are getting together and taking it upon themselves to put together meetings to address drainage in their areas. I'm always happy to come out and be a part of it so feel free to give me a call directly, send the city an email, and we definitely want to be a part of this conversation. I'd like to say that the solutions are on the horizon in the near future but I think it's going to take some time and I hope that while we're going through these studies we can come up with some short term stop gaps while we're coming up with a solution that will get us to no flooding in the future.

Larry Millican said thank you, Mayor. Good evening everybody. Thank you for tuning in for Channel 16 if you're on the air now. I understand that the workshop didn't get on Channel 16. The first thing I would like to talk about is the trash. I'm one of the fortunate few that's been living in League City now for 35-40 years, I guess, and I've always had the same trash days and now I'm going to have new trash days. I look at this as an opportunity, personally, myself, I didn't look at it being half empty and worried about the Saturday pick-up. I was thinking to myself that since the new trashcan came out and we run it to the curb that I'm only having to put trash out to the curb twice a week now instead of three times a week because the recycle bin goes out on the same day that you pick up trash. So instead of looking at trashcans three times a week down my street, I live down Davis Road, and instead of looking at trashcans three times a week, I'll only get to look at trashcans twice a week now, and I thought that was a great thing. But in reference to the size of bins, because we increased the size of the recycle bin, now I only have to push that big cart of mine out with the garbage, I only have to push it out once a week, because quite frankly, I put more in that recycle bin and only have to take my garbage to the street one time. So there's one time of the week that I don't even have to worry about it anymore and coming in the new future I'll just worry about it one day. I was one of those few people that looked, that man, that's okay, I won't even have to worry about Saturday at all. I guess it's just the way you look at it. I think that the opportunity of trash trucks being on the street on Saturdays could be an area of concern for safety as far as kids being out in the street, but at the same time I know that trash trucks run past 3:00 in the afternoon and school gets out at 3:00, so kids may be watching out for the trash trucks anyway. I think it was a great thing that the city went out and put those signs in the neighborhoods, that said don't forget starting May 1 you're going to have a change of your trash days. So then all the neighborhoods that have changes in trash days, we got every little entrance has, what I call a bandit sign, making sure the people understand the trash days are changing, so I looked at that as a great communication tool, one that goes an extra mile or more so than we've done in the past, just notifying people that signed up for email or letting people know in Connections and things of that nature. At any rate the trash, from the way I understand it, is the reason why we have trash going to three different cycles in the week, as far as pick-up days, is largely because of the fact that the city's growing. If you look at what we're expecting the population to be in the area, and new subdivisions coming on line, we're not just going to pick up the trash in those same four days a week like we have been for the last 35 years.

We're going to have to start picking up trash, maybe six times instead of those four times in the week. That was the main reason that I was told, and that I understood that we were going to have to be picking up trash those six days instead of what we had, the five days before. I hope that all of it works out, I hope that everybody understands that it's one of those growing pains and they took the sections of the city that they thought were stable and that's the ones they changed. Again, I'm okay with it only because of the fact that I looked at it as an opportunity rather than some that was gone wrong. To touch on drainage, not to take away, but I think Mr. Dugie got all of my points in that I wanted to make. I really and truly feel like drainage, if you look at the drainage problems that we had during Harvey, Harvey was one of those lifetime events that hopefully we'll never see one of those lifetime events again. But, if you look at those drainage problems and if you look at what League City does on a continuing basis with the different bayous, or should I say the different drainage areas that we have, we maintain those. If you walk down most of our ditches most of our culverts are clean. We, as a program, this city has done a very, very good job of getting some of those hot spots. Once it leaves our jurisdiction then it becomes very much of a problem and that's where that regional play comes in to being. Most prevalent in my mind is areas like Gum Bayou or Borden's Gully, or a lot of those areas, if you look at those outfalls that once they leave our jurisdiction is where the overgrown trees and the blockages happen, and Gum Bayou is probably one of the biggest examples that comes into my mind, only because of the fact that if you go up behind Hidden Lakes or behind most of those subdivisions you've got this wide ditch that has a very small stream running in it. And you've got these outfalls coming from these retention ponds and these large culverts that go underneath roadways and for the most part they're very clear. In League City we mow them, we've got special machinery that we mow those with. But you leave our jurisdiction and you get down into Dickinson or in Galveston County and all of a sudden Gum Bayou becomes this tree-lined little ditch that reminds me of a ditch I used to get crawdads out of when I was a kid. I think that those type issues are going to be regional, those type issues we're going to have to work with the County and other jurisdictions to make sure that we get those things corrected. We can certainly do things and we've done some. On the last Council Meeting we passed an agenda that we took one subdivision and we're installing pumps that will alleviate some of the problems in that particular neighborhood. On this agenda today, we've got a berm item that we're going to be looking at in another neighborhood so that there are a lot of things that we're doing that we can within our jurisdiction, that we can jump on and do quickly. But for the large problems, like Clear Creek, that's going to be an issue that's going to be resolved many moons from now and we're all going to have to be diligent and keep up with it. I was around, I lived up Clear Creek back in 1979 and the water rose in the back of my house some 24 feet and I didn't get water in my house, but it certainly came up 24 feet behind my house. I saw the devastation all the way from Alvin and all the way around Clear Creek and Clear Lake and it was an issue then, and it's still an issue today. We've done some things, but there are a lot of people that Clear Creek affects and there are a lot of different opinions as far as how you're going to correct some of those issues.

I think the big issue in front of us right now is if anybody looked at the flood map from the 5 o'clock area is that you look at the south side and Dickinson Bayou watershed is one that it's dynamic in the fact that if you look at all the areas that flooded in that south side, that actually drain to that bayou, Dickinson Bayou watershed, and because of that all the new subdivisions that are coming in that we were talking about are going to be in that Dickinson watershed. It's not in the Clear Creek watershed, and that's something that we're going to have to be very, very cognizant of and to work with our regional partners. What Ken Clark was saying earlier, there's something that we need to be diligent on, every citizen needs to be cognizant of those federal dollars and where they're going to come from. We can do a lot and engineering, with the folks that are around here that I've been bumping into since being on this Council, I can tell you there are a lot of smart people and a lot of activity and a lot of things can happen, but those things can't happen without money, and the type of money for some of these regional issues is a whole lot more than what League City can afford. It's going to take that partnership on a big scale of getting some of those activities done, like Dickinson Bayou, like Clear Creek. But I think that we're up to the task and we're going to be certainly looking at it and being very cognizant of it and very close to it and I'll apologize if we don't report some of the things that we're doing, but I think that we are looking at all of those activities and when those reports come in from those other neighborhoods, like we've already had the two reported, we will be able to address some of those immediate concerns and then start focusing in on our long-term activity.

Greg Gripon said you know G does come before some of these others here in the alphabet. Since a lot of them have stole my thunder this evening, I will say on drainage that I continually look for drainage problems. I'm always coming to John and Bo, but I also come up with solutions to the problems when I bring it to them, which I think is very important. I attended, Friday night, the TML region meeting. It was on the other side of Houston, great event. I love the new recycling trashcans. The Gripon family recycles now. It says right on it what you can put in it. I put it out every Wednesday, it's great. I love it. League City Music Festival, got my shirt on. Justin, you do a fabulous job. Your speaking abilities are getting better and better. Very proud of you. Bu also proud that you understand how to serve your community and I think that's wonderful. Tell all your friends, get everybody out to the Music Festival. It's a great fundraiser for the League City Lions Club and it's a great event for our League City area.

Keith Gross said thank you, Mr. Mayor. I'll be brief considering I'm last and I'm probably going to want to keep saying the same things the other Council Members have said. I do want to thank Commissioner Ken Clark for coming here and sharing his sentiments about working with Galveston County. I also live in South Shore Harbour, so they changed our trash dates. The biggest thing I don't like about is if people go out of town, they're going to put the trashcans out sometime on Friday afternoon and they're going to sit out there until Sunday. And it's just unsightly.

I'm not so convinced as there's a safety issue. But it's definitely that trashcans are going to sit out there longer and it's unsightly. I'd like to know the reason why that has occurred. Peggy, I hear you. You spoke with passion and I think we do need to make more of a concerted effort to look into it, but I do agree with Councilmen Millican and Dugie that it's not only a city effort, it's a regional effort because of the cost. We ought to be more transparent and be able to be more accountable and report to the citizens. I also do think Hurricane Harvey was probably a once in a lifetime storm. I don't think there's anything we're going to be able to do to prevent houses from flooding when it's 55 or 60 inches of rain. I'm really concerned about the 100 year floods and the 300 year floods rather than the 800 year flood like Hurricane Harvey produced. But nevertheless, there's so many subdivisions that routinely get flooded through a heavy thunderstorm and it doesn't take a Harvey to flood their house. But drainage is an issue that should be looked into. The last thing I'd like to say is believe it or not, yesterday I had the pleasure of meeting with Governor Greg Abbott. He was in Houston supporting a candidate for the 14th Court of Appeals and I got to listen to him and he's a fantastic speaker and without getting into too much detail, he encourages to vote. Get to know your candidate and get out there and vote. I wanted to thank Governor Abbott for the speech because it was good to listen to and thanks for your time.

Mayor Hallisey said Mr. Long and I were at the Clear Creek fashion show. He just gave them money and they acknowledged him for that, which was a great thing. They auctioned me off, which was embarrassing because Greg Smith brought more money than I did. It was a day to hang out with the Mayor at City Hall and I promised to take them to jail first and pick them up at the end of the day, but that didn't seem to interest anybody. We were also treated, I guess the play out at the high school, "Shrek", and one of the things that impressed me more than anything was that young man that was singing. Man that guy had some pipes on him and it really illustrated the caliber of kids that go to these schools here and the caliber of teachers that teach them. I expect to see this kid on Broadway somewhere down the road. He was that good. Early voting started yesterday for the school district races. That's every bit as important as city, state, and national races. This is what deals with your children. Please vote. Tell your neighbors to go vote with you and for once let's have more than 1,000 people turn out for the school district. That would be important. Village Fair is the biggest thing that goes on in this community. This Lions Club's been doing it for a long time. They give money to everybody across the community and to the Lions Camp in Kerrville. Every dollar you spend out there is well worth the effort, and to Greg and Justin, and all the Lions that work that thing, our hats are off to you. It's a great show. It's changed a lot from when a lot of us were younger, but for the better. I was out in, I forget the name of the subdivision, but it's part of South Shore behind Ferguson Elementary. A friend of mine from church said can you come out and talk to us about what's going on in town, so I went. When I got there, I asked the first question, any of you flood? They just kind of looked at me and said no. I said well, what interests you? And I'm telling you they went ballistic over the Saturday trash pick-up.

I was listening attentively and every one of their arguments resonated with me – kids are out on Saturday, they're running to Little League, they're doing this, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, on and on and on, and I thought, well, I don't know who came up with that. But going into my own neighborhood and my wife has to drive me, she looks at me after looking at one of those little white sheets that says we're going to pick your trash up on Saturday. Her question to me was, what idiot decided our neighborhood had to have their trash picked up on Saturday? I said, well, I don't know, but it's better we're included in the mix, because these other people that are mad, at least maybe they won't be as mad at us. I think we're going to have some discussion on how we got to that point, I'm not sure any of us are sure, we can talk about it, I'm not sure about it, put it that way, John. I know we have more people to service and everything else, and I've heard all the arguments, well you know we pick up trash in the summer, kids are out of school, and I get that. And we've not had any mistakes out there, but any of us who ever had a child in a neighborhood knows that the moment you take your eyes off of them, the worst can happen. So we try to plan a little bit ahead to insure that they're as safe as they possibly can be and I think that ought to be a part of our discussion that comes forward. On the drainage, Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou, I'm not going to tap dance around it. We missed the switch on this, we're not communicating to the people in this community what's going on. In those two drainage areas we have people that are covering them, but they're not talking to us and we're going to make some changes here, so hopefully we'll be getting some more direct information about what's going on. It hurts us to hear, I think we had made an effort to try to reach out around the region. Kevin and I are part of the Mayor's group that meets quarterly and we talk about things that are going on in the communities. We have our Mayor and Councils group. We all get together once a month and we try to talk about things that are going on because we're all in different areas, but we're all experiencing kind of the same kind of problem. The wholesale problem of this deal is that we're talking to each other, and that's great because we're learning from one another, but what we're not doing, and it Sarah, our new addition to Communications. She came from the Houston Independent School District and she's well-seasoned on how to talk to a community and we hope that our communications effort get better. It's what drove me to Facebook live during the storm because we had no way of talking to people in the neighborhoods about what was going on. It is a huge miscalculation on our part that people are just going to find out on their own. They rely on us to get answers, it's our job to give them answers. I don't think it's a matter of not trying to be transparent, I think that's a big word but it's got to be followed with an action plan on how to get out and let people know. I give 100 speeches a year around this city about everything that's going on and I know these other guys do too. We have to connect out to the people in these neighborhoods. There are 95 homeowners groups throughout this city. We have a group that we can connect to, we have to do a better job of it and I know Sarah has been hearing this since she got here. We've got to do a better job of connecting back out to the people. To go to a meeting and to hear what's going on and not hear that we have a point of view that we're not included in the mix is pretty disturbing.

Good point, we have asked those questions since you beat me up here two weeks ago. It sort of reminded me of Governor Bush's comments about his mother, when he talked about her being the benevolent dictator, not always benevolent. Same with you, Peggy. The point got made and we asked the question and the answers weren't adequate, weren't adequate to repeat anyway. We're going to do something about that and I think everybody hears you, we've got to do a little more discussing. Let me see – fashion show, early voting, Village Fair, trash, Clear Creek and Dickinson Bayou Watershed Committees. Which reminds me, I was on that original Dickinson Watershed Committee, maybe I'll go back.

Mr. Kinsey said Mayor, I forgot an item. The Salute to Heroes is this Friday. They still have a few tickets remaining. This year's event is going to the League City POA and Devereaux, so we would make a point to keep it all here locally, so if you're interested in going to that, give Roy Green or his staff a call at the hotel. It's 281-334-1000.

Mayor Hallisey said the headliners are the Bellamy Brothers, they were on Hee Haw as I recall, country music people. I'm going to be there and I hope all of you come to hear the Bellamy Brothers.

#### 8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

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

John Baumgartner said I'll make this quick. Obviously, from a staff perspective we appreciate the direct feedback from the community. It's our job to respond to the needs and wishes of the community and we will continue to do that. I would encourage the citizens, if they're frustrated, they see something they don't like, communicate with us directly as well as your council, they don't mind that. As it relates to Clear Creek Village, and their trash day, respectfully, sir, I think you voted on that Saturday trash day for your part of the community. But, I knew you volunteered for the Saturday service, as did I and the folks in my neighborhood. They got the benefit of if we're going to do Saturday trash, we're going to do it in the Mayor's neighborhood and certainly my neighborhood too. From one perspective, obviously, we chose a new trash provider, that trash provider has worked in the community before. They had Saturday trash service at that time. When they got the contract they arranged it for an efficient delivery of service and that was reflected in the price they bid for it. They examined the routes, they picked an area that wasn't growing because one of the challenges with Saturday trash service is landfills close at 2:00 p.m. and that requires a little bit smaller routes, better defined routes, routes that aren't growing. And that's how older, more established part of the community ended up with the Saturday trash routes. The good news is that they have to be out of the community before 2:00 if they're going to make it to the landfill, so they won't be in the street quite as long as they are on some of the other days.

Ultimately, as they look at how to deliver effective trash service, what's the best use of their resources, how do they best use their trucks, the other thing we demanded of them as they bid the contract, I think as Larry had mentioned, was that they pick up trash two days per week in the neighborhood instead of three days per week so therefore recycling is bundled into one of the trash pick-up days. Can they create a system where they just pick-up four days a week? Absolutely, there's a price to that. I don't know what the answer is at this point in time other than talking to them, Again, we heard some other concerns about neighborhoods, about infrastructure failing and falling apart, both on East Wilkins and Saunders Street behind City Hall. That's something that we'll get staff to look at, and what we need to do to make sure that the drainage system works as efficiently and effectively as possible. If the pipes are indeed collapsed, we have gone out for emergency repairs in several neighborhoods since I've been here and we will continue to look at that. We need to make some investments in that neighborhood, not just the storm sewer, but the streets as well. We'll have to do that through the CIP process as we go forward. I think the long and th short of what I'm saying, there's certainly plenty of work for staff to do. We'll continue to work and forge ahead and bring solutions to some of the issues we've heard tonight.

- 8A. 18-0190 Presentation of the Investment Report of the Section 4B Industrial Development Corporation for the quarter ended December 31, 2017 (Director of Finance)

The report was presented by Director of Finance Allena Portis.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Items 9A and 9C were pulled by Mr. Millican.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Dugie, 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. 18-0171 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an encroachment agreement with Galveston County Management District No. 1 providing for certain private improvements within the Brookport Drive right-of-way (Director of Planning and Development)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Resolution No. 2018-43 authorizing an encroachment agreement with Galveston County Management District No. 1 providing for certain private improvements within the Brookport Drive right-of-way.

Mr. Becker asked for consideration in amending the motion to include a requirement for a root barrier for new trees planted to protect any infrastructure including the potential for sidewalks in the future.

The motion was amended by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to include the requirement. The motion to accept the amendment passed by the following vote:

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

The motion to approved Resolution 2018-43 as amended passed by the following vote:

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

9B. 18-0189 Consider and take action on a resolution consenting to the sale and issuance of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2018 for the Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 45 (Hidden Lakes) in an amount not to exceed \$6,275,000 and authorizing the Mayor to execute and the City Secretary to attest same for and on behalf of the City of League City (Director of

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-44

9C. 18-0186 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an encroachment agreement with Mar Bella Community, Inc. to allow certain private irrigation and landscape improvements within the City's public road right-of-way, utility easements and restricted reserves within the Mar Bella Master Planned Community (Director of Engineering)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Resolution No. 2018-45 authorizing an encroachment agreement with Mar Bella Community, Inc. to allow certain private irrigation and landscape improvements within the City's public road right-of-way, utility easements and restricted reserves within the Mar Bella Master Planned Community, with the provision of a root barrier requirement for any trees planted within the easement. 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

9D. 18-0199 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an encroachment agreement with Genesis Pipeline Texas LP, for the City's benefit that allows the City to install an earthen berm from south of the Washington Street and FM 3 intersection to Bradshaw Ditch within the existing Genesis Pipeline easement for an amount not to exceed \$3,500 (Director of

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-46

9F. 18-0162 Consider and take action on a resolution accepting a Water Line, Fire Hydrant and Water Meter Easement conveyance from NHF Management, LLC associated with the proposed development of Block 1, Lot 3, Butler Road Business Park (Director of Engineering)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-48

9E. 18-0198 Consider and take action on a resolution to accept the conveyance of water line and sanitary sewer easement from League City Investors, Ltd. to serve the Franklin Business Subdivision commercial development located in the 3900 block of East FM 646 (Director of Engineering)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-47

- 9G. 18-0197 Consider and take action on a resolution approving a utility conveyance and security agreement with Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 46 for water, sanitary sewer, and drainage facilities associated with the Mar Bella Subdivision, Section 14A (Director of Engineering)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-49
- 9H. 18-0211 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an interlocal agreement with Harris County for participation in the Regional Watershed Protection Education Program in an amount not to exceed \$24,085.32 (Director of Engineering)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-50
- 9I. 18-0193 Consider and take action on a resolution approving an interlocal agreement between the City of League City and the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District (HGSD) for participation in the "Learning to be Water Wise" Program for an amount not to exceed \$11,330 (Director of Public works)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-51
- 9J. 18-0210 Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2018-09 authorizing an amended and restated utility agreement with Forestar (USA) Real Estate Group, Inc. regarding Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 36 - Second Reading (Director of Planning & Development)
- Council postponed 6-2-0 on March 27, 2018.  
Council approved first reading, with conditions, 7-0-0 with 1 absent, on April 10, 2018.
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Ordinance No. 2018-09 Second Reading

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **10. OLD BUSINESS**

### **11. NEW BUSINESS**

- 11A. 18-0203 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the City of League City's Economic Development Investment Policy (Director of Economic Development)
- A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Resolution No. 2018-52 authorizing the City of League City's Economic Development Investment Policy. 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
- 11B. 18-0213 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing Change Order No. 3 with Texas Sterling Construction Co. for the Calder Road Improvements Project (ST1002) in an amount of \$468,911.55 for a total increased contract amount of \$8,248,042.49 (Director of Budget & Project Management)
- A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve.
- A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Millican, to suspend the rules and address this item after adjourning to executive session. 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

- 11C. 18-0217 Consider and take action on a resolution requesting that the State of Texas seek a waiver to the requirement that 70% of the overall benefit of Housing and Urban Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds be used to support low-to-moderate income persons and supporting Galveston County's efforts in seeking said waiver (Assistant City Manager)

A motion was made by Mayor Hallisey, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Resolution No. 2018-54 requesting that the State of Texas seek a waiver to the requirement that 70% of the overall benefit of Housing and Urban Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds be used to support low-to-moderate income persons and supporting Galveston County's efforts in seeking said waiver.

A motion to amend was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Long, to include direct allocation and the extension of the comment period by 30 days. The motion to amend passed by the following vote:

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

The motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-54 as amended 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. 18-0188 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

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve.

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to postpone to the next meeting. The motion to postpone passed by the following vote:

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

## 13. ITEMS ADDED AFTER ELECTRONIC AGENDA COMPLETED

## 14. EXECUTIVE(CLOSED) SESSION(S)

At 8:07 p.m. Mayor Hallisey announced the City Council will now go into executive session to discuss the following items:

- 14A. 18-0208 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071 Government Code - Consultation with City Attorney

Consultation with City Attorney regarding CenterPoint Energy's proposed adjustment in rates related to their GRIP application filed with the Texas Railroad Commission on or about March 29, 2018 (City Attorney)

- 14B. 18-0201 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.072 Government Code - Deliberations about real property
- Discuss potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Engineering, Director of Budget & Project Management)
- 14C. 18-0220 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)

**Mayor Hallisey added:**

**Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071 - Consultation with Attorney  
Consultation with City Attorney relating to Item 11B.**

**At 8:46 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. 18-0209 Consider and take action on CenterPoint Energy's proposed adjustment in rates related to their GRIP application filed with the Texas Railroad Commission on or about March 29, 2018 (City Attorney)
- A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Resolution No. 2018-55, suspending for 45 days the proposed effective date of CenterPoint's increase in gas rates under the Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program. 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
- 15B. 18-0202 Consider and take action on discussion concerning potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Engineering, Director of Budget & Project Management)
- A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve the abandonment and convey of 0.16 acre, 7,000 square feet, of undeveloped Oregon Avenue right-of-way located in the Dickinson Townsite, subdivision plat in volume 155, page 10 of the deed records of the County Clerk office, Galveston County, Texas, and to enter into an agreement with Landscape Art, Inc. to establish the terms of such abandonment and conveyance as discussed in executive session and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute and the City Secretary to attest such documents as necessary to complete the conveyance 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

15C. 18-0221 Consider and take action on legal matters related to MUD 6 (City Attorney)

No Action

18-0213 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing Change Order No. 3 with Texas Sterling Construction Co. for the Calder Road Improvements Project (ST1002) in an amount of \$468,911.55 for a total increased contract amount of \$8,248,042.49 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve Resolution No. 2018-53 authorizing Change Order No. 3 with Texas Sterling Construction Co. for the Calder Road Improvements Project (ST1002) in an amount of \$468,911.55 for a total increased contract amount of \$8,248,042.49. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Gross

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:52 p.m. Mayor Hallisey said there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

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**PAT HALLISEY**  
**MAYOR**

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**DIANA M. STAPP**  
**CITY SECRETARY**

(SEAL)

**MINUTES APPROVED:**