



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

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:

**Andy Mann
Hank Dugie
Larry Millican
John Bowen
Justin Hicks
Chad Tressler
Nick Long**

City Manager:

John Baumgartner

Assistant City Manager

Bo Bass

City Attorney:

Nghiem Doan

City Secretary:

Diana M. Stapp

Chief of Police:

Gary Ratliff

Executive Director of Development Services

David Hoover

Executive Director of Finance/Project Management

Angie Steelman

Executive Director of Capital Projects

Ron Bavarian

Director of Engineering:

Christopher Sims

Director of Finance:

Kimberly Corell

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

James Brumm

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 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present.

Present 8 - Mayor Pat Hallisey, Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. John Bowen, Mr. Justin Hicks, Mr. Chad Tressler 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 Rev. Kyra Baehr of Unity Bay Area Houston. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3A. 22-0254 May 10, 2022 Council Work Session

3B. 22-0256 May 10, 2022 Regular Meeting

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

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

4A. 22-0228 Presentation of the Storm Ready Community designation from the National Weather Service to the City of League City (Mayor Hallisey)

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

Members of the public are invited to give comments at this time, lasting not longer than 3 minutes. Comments may be general in nature or may address a specific agenda item, and should be directed at the entire Council, not individual members of Council or staff. Any speaker making personal attacks or using vulgar or profane language shall forfeit his/her remaining time and shall be seated.

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Bonnie Schoellkopf	7th St.	Memorial Day
Marika Fuller	2920 Marlin Ct.	Bayridge Park
Dave Bowman	310 Seabreeze Cr.	Bayridge Park
Ange Mertens	2011 Hewitt	Parks
Davi Villarreal	2918 Tarpon Dr.	Bayridge Park
Sean Saunders	3106 Zachary Bay	Pigs, EMS

- 9F. 22-0232 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Landscape Art, Inc. for construction work related to the Bayridge Park Redevelopment (PK1902) in an amount not to exceed \$527,306.73 and authorizing \$52,730 for a work change directive budget for a total construction budget of \$580,036.73 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)

A motion was made by Mr. Hicks, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to suspend the rule and move up agenda item 9F. The motion passed by the following vote:

8 For - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

A motion was made by Mr. Hicks, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Resolution No. 2022-71 authorizing a construction contract with Landscape Art, Inc. for construction work related to the Bayridge Park Redevelopment (PK1902) in an amount not to exceed \$527,306.73 and authorizing \$52,730 for a work change directive budget for a total construction budget of \$580,036.73. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 13A. 22-0257 Consider and take action on Ordinance 2022-11 amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Animals" to allow pet pigs to be kept under certain conditions - Second Reading (Council Member Tressler and Council Member Dugie)

City Council approved first reading, 6-2-0 on April 26, 2022.
City Council postponed, 5-3-0 on May 10, 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to suspend the rule and move up agenda item 13A. The motion passed by the following vote:

7 For - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler, Mr. Long
1 Opposed - Mr. Millican

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Mann, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-11 amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Animals" to allow pet pigs to be kept under certain conditions, with changes to ensure that there is a definition for pet pigs, make the registration and microchipping align with dogs and cats, add in that females must be spayed, add a size restriction of 26 inches in height and eliminate alteration of the distance under swine kept as livestock, on Second Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

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 Nick Long - The library's theme for this summer is Oceans of Possibilities and includes over 200 programs. League City's proximity to a variety of bodies of water puts us at a great advantage. You'll see partnerships with the Galveston Bay Foundation, Armand Bayou Nature Center, Texas Parks & Wildlife, and the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network. The summer reading challenge is from June 1 to July 31 and there are great prizes from Chuy's, Chick-Fil-A, Texas Renaissance Festival, and Kemah Boardwalk. Save the date for the kickoff party on June 1 and the Mermaid Parade on August 2. Thank you.

Justin Hicks – No comment

Chad Tressler – No comment

Andy Mann – No comment

Hank Dugie – Thank you, Mr. Mayor, I'll be quick. I'm proud to announce that the flood gauge paid for by the Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee and added to the agreement between League City and the Harris County Flood Control District has been installed and is operational. As of maybe two days ago it's collecting data. That data can be seen on the Harris County Flood Control District's website, along with all the other gauges in their system. We hope that the data collected from that gauge will provide valuable intel for our decisions moving forward. Second, we had our second annual boat tour, and I would say it was success. We had members from Dickinson, Kemah, League City, Webster, the GLO, Dr. Greg Bonnen, our state representative, was there. Dr. Bonnen and Mr. Baumgartner were able to spend three hours uninterrupted on a boat and talk about all of our regional drainage challenges and possible solutions. I think it was, what Dr. Bonnen told me was it was a very valuable experience for him. I think, moving forward, that relationship will provide for League City as well as other cities in our area. Thank you, Mr. Mayor that's it for me.

Larry Millican – No comment

John Bowen – No comment

Mayor Hallisey – When you guys were out on the water looking at the creek, trying to decide about drainage, all of us were going “League City, where in the world did that name come from?” It came from a guy named John Charles League, who laid out all these lots up here, and laid out most of them across the north end of the county. He was a Galveston businessman and he set up what you know as League Park; he set it aside as a flower garden in 1894. It’s one of the oldest parks in the county. His family was in town because Sarah and her staff had a bronze statue made of J.C. League and it was placed in the park. I had an opportunity to visit with the family at a reception at the Peterson’s house the night before, which was really a fun deal. They told stories. Oldtimers in town will remember the Waters-Davis Soil and Conservation Service a federal project. Waters-Davis was married into J.C. League’s daughter back in the early 1900s and the Waters-Davis Soil and Conservation National Headquarters was on Main Street and was when I first came to town and was up there until recently. We had a time to hear about what their great-grandfather’s thoughts were on naming this city League City. It was really kind of funny because John Sealy in Galveston and Mr. League had a friendly wager going on about who could do the best cool deal. The Sealys certainly started a lot of things in Galveston. They had a bank up here at the turn of the century. J.C. League decided the way he would up John Sealy was to name this place League City. We were called Clear Creek prior to that. We were a marker on the railroad track to Galveston and Clear Creek was the tributary which was there. The oldtimers said it used to have clear water. Those of us that have been around a long time know they were lying because it’s a silty bottom and it’s been draining Houston since the beginning of time. Dallas-Salmon, who our sewer plant is named after, was a cool guy and he said “I could see fish at the bottom of that” and we knew he was lying when he told us that. He was a good guy, a little bit of a fraud man, but a good guy and started the water and sewer systems in League City, along with Walter Hall, in 1939. A small history lesson for you. The League Family was really a treat to have in town. We tried to do it up big for them. Sarah did an absolutely exceptional job of getting all of that put together. How she got them all down here, because they from all over the country. It was, at least in my years here, the first time that we acknowledged who really started this city. We all knew about J.C. League, we didn’t know much about him. We learned a lot about him when my wife and I officed in Galveston. We learned a lot more about him over that weekend. It was a great time. So, Sarah, good job for you. Our historical society went out and found all these people and worked with Sarah to make sure they could be here. It was an interesting Saturday morning a week ago. For those of you who came you got a real piece of history we probably will never see again in this city. Getting those people together. We’ve seen all the Butlers, because there were a bunch of them here and some of the other founding families, but we never really met J.C. League’s family. It was a cool deal.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

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

John Baumgartner – Mr. Mayor, if I may I’ve got a few announcements. Just a quick reminder for council, as you know we are doing a compensation study to look at how we can address pay as we go through the budget process. We would anticipate the results of that study late June or early July and then incorporate that in our budget recommendations for the coming year. This Sunday we were supposed to have our Red White and Blue Top Gun 5K, and since we had the thunderstorm roll in here about 8 o’clock, I think by about 9 o’clock I’d say it was clear but we had called the race off. Therefore, the race is going virtual, but we want to celebrate the brand new crushed granite trail at Hometown Heroes. For those who registered, they’ll be asked to pick a day between now and June 4 to run or walk the new trail. Participants will then be able to submit their times virtually. Once submitted, participants will be able to collect their medal from Hometown Heroes Community Center until June 30. Secondly, Memorial Day is this weekend. On May 28, 29 and 30, we’ll have free pool admission for you and your families. For more information on summer activities League City has to offer, visit LeagueCityTX.gov/parks. Last, but not least, we’d like to share a recap video from our A-May-Zing Adventure that took place during our recent 60-year celebration. (Video Plays) We had 33 teams, 29 winners. Next year, Sarah’s going to do it again. The team for John Baumgartner, over 60 team, was signed up, but we went out boating instead, so I missed the whole event and I missed the 5K. We look forward to next year’s A-May-Zing Adventure. Thank you, Sarah. Last Saturday, in relationship to League City’s 60th birthday, we had our second employee picnic at Big League Dreams. Bounce houses and cook-off, I think IT and Drainage were the best barbecue. See, I got it wrong. There was great barbecue made and eaten by all who came out to enjoy the day at Big League Dreams and thanks to all of our employees in connection with employee appreciation week and the 60th anniversary of the incorporation of League City.

- 8A. 22-0250 Presentation of the Investment Report of the City of League City for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 (Director of Finance)**

The report was presented by Scott Gruber with Meeder Investment Management.

9. CONSENT AGENDA**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Long, to the balance of the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 9A. 22-0243 Consider and take action on a resolution adopting the Galveston County, Texas Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of League City, Texas (Emergency Management Coordinator)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2022-66
- 9B. 22-0227 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the renewal of an Interlocal Agreement with a consortium of local governmental entities regarding the funding of a Breath Alcohol Technical Supervisor (BATS) (Chief of Police)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2022-67
- 9C. 22-0236 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the current professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the final design and construction phase services related to the Magnolia Creek & Cedar Gully Channel Improvement Project-Phase 1 (DR1906), in an amount not to exceed \$476,100 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2022-68
- 9D. 22-0230 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Gauge Engineering for the Drainage Study related to the Historic District Drainage Improvements (DR2203), in an amount not to exceed \$62,165 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2022-69
- 9E. 22-0185 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Gradient Group, LLC for the preliminary design phase services related to the Winfield Road, I-45 Frontage Road to Hobbs project (ST2203) in an amount not to exceed \$160,398 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2022-70
- 9F. 22-0232 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Landscape Art, Inc. for construction work related to the Bayridge Park Redevelopment (PK1902) in an amount not to exceed \$527,306.73 and authorizing \$52,730 for a work change directive budget for a total construction budget of \$580,036.73 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)
- Item 9F was previously addressed earlier in the meeting.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

10. OLD BUSINESS

- 10A. 22-0225** Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Animals" to adopt new microchip requirements (Chief of Police)

Staff requests approval on first and final reading.
Council postponed, 7-1-0 on April 26, 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mayor Hallisey, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-18 amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Animals" to adopt new microchip requirements on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Hicks

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-18 on First and Final Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Hicks

- 10B. 22-0244** Consider and take action on Ordinance 2022-16 amending Chapter 26, entitled "Business," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City to update and clarify various sections - Second Reading (City Attorney)

Council approved 6-2-0 on May 10, 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-16 amending Chapter 26, entitled "Business," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City to update and clarify various sections on Second Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Dugie

11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11A. 22-0246** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2017 Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan with the addition of a chapter on mountain bike trails (Director of Parks and Cultural Services)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Hicks, to approve Resolution No. 2022-72 authorizing an amendment to the 2017 Parks, Trails, and Open Space Master Plan with the addition of a chapter on mountain bike trails. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 11B. 22-0245** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a license agreement with Clear Creek Off Road Bike Association for the use, enhancement, and development of the City's mountain bike trails (Director of Parks and Cultural Services)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Resolution No. 2022-73 authorizing a license agreement with Clear Creek Off Road Bike Association for the use, enhancement, and development of the City's mountain bike trails. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 11C. 22-0231** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Wharton-Smith, Inc. for work related to the Dallas Salmon Wastewater Treatment Plant Return Activated Sludge (RAS) Pump Improvements Project (WW2103) in an amount not to exceed \$2,423,100, and authorizing \$242,310 for a work change directive budget for a total construction of \$2,665,410 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Resolution No. 2022-74 authorizing a construction contract with Wharton Smith, Inc. for work related to the Dallas Salmon Wastewater Treatment Plant Return Activated Sludge (RAS) Pump Improvements Project (WW2103) in an amount not to exceed \$2,423,100, and authorizing \$242,310 for a work change directive budget for a total construction of \$2,665,410. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 11D. 22-0237** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with D.L. Elliott Enterprises, Inc for construction work related to the FM518 Waterline Replacement Project (WT1904C) in an amount not to exceed \$2,481,385 and authorizing \$248,138 for a work change directive budget for a total construction budget of \$2,729,523 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Resolution No. 2022-75 authorizing a construction contract with D.L. Elliott Enterprises, Inc for construction work related to the FM518 Waterline Replacement Project (WT1904C) in an amount not to exceed \$2,481,385 and authorizing \$248,138 for a work change directive budget for a total construction budget of \$2,729,523. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

- 11E. 22-0233 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast, a CRH Company for the Asphalt Street Rehabilitation Package 6 Project (RE1704G), in an amount not to exceed \$3,878,758.03, authorizing \$193,938 for a work change directive budget, and authorizing a construction material testing services contract with Terracon Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$82,992 for a total construction budget of \$4,155,688.03 (Executive Director of Capital Projects)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Resolution No. 2022-76 authorizing a construction contract with Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast, a CRH Company for the Asphalt Street Rehabilitation Package 6 Project (RE1704G), in an amount not to exceed \$3,878,758.03, authorizing \$193,938 for a work change directive budget, and authorizing a construction material testing services contract with Terracon Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$82,992 for a total construction budget of \$4,155,688.03. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

12. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

13. **ITEMS ADDED AFTER ELECTRONIC AGENDA COMPLETED**

- 13A. 22-0257 Consider and take action on Ordinance 2022-11 amending Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Animals" to allow pet pigs to be kept under certain conditions - Second Reading (Council Member Tressler and Council Member Dugie)

City Council approved first reading, 6-2-0 on April 26, 2022.
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Item 13A was addressed earlier in the meeting.

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

At 7:15 p.m. Mayor Hallisey announced the City Council will now go into executive session to discuss the following items:

- 14A. 22-0238 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071 Government Code - Consultation with Attorney
- Consultation with City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter - to wit: Discussion of request by solid waste franchise holder for a contract extension (City Manager)
- 14B. 22-0247 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071 Government Code - Consultation with Attorney
- Consultation with the City Attorney regarding potential litigation (City Attorney)
- 14C. 22-0252 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074 Government Code - Personnel Matters
- Discuss employment, appointment, or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Secretary (Council Member Bowen and Council Member Millican)

At 8:14 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Long 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. 22-0239** Consider and take action regarding consultation with City Attorney - to wit: Discussion of request by solid waste franchise holder for a contract extension (City Manager)

No Action

- 15B. 22-0248** Consider and take action regarding potential litigation (City Attorney)

No Action

- 15C. 22-0253** Consider and take action on discussion regarding the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Secretary (Council Member Bowen and Council Member Millican)

A motion was made by Mr. Bowen, seconded by Mr. Mann, to approve the salary and goals of the City Secretary as discussed in executive session. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 8 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

16. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:15 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Long said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

**PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR**

**DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY**

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