



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Monday, September 11, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
200 West Walker Street

Council Work Session

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a work session in Council Chambers at 200 West Walker Street on the above date at 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/Director of Finance:

Rebecca Underhill

Assistant City Manager:

Bo Bass

City Attorney:

Nghiem Doan

City Secretary:

Diana M. Stapp

Chief of Police:

Michael Kramm

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

Janet Shirley

Director of Parks & Cultural Services:

Chien Wei

Director of Planning/Development:

Paul Menzies

Interim Director of Public Works:

Jody Hooks

Interim City Engineer:

Christopher Sims

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Hallisey called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present except Mr. Long.

Absent 1 - Mr. Nick Long

Present 7 - Mayor Pat Hallisey, Mr. Dan Becker, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, Mr. Greg Gripon and Mr. Keith Gross

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**3. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 2017 2018**

John Baumgartner, City Manager said in light of everything that has happened since the last council meeting I think there was a little undertone that some of you wanted to talk a little bit more about the budget and have opportunity to talk about the things that we changed based on conversations. One common theme we heard was make sure the capital dollars are invested in the right place, particularly as it relates to drainage and more particularly Bay Ridge. Obviously, we know they got lots of water from Hurricane Harvey and it took a long time after the storm ended to drain. Ultimately, we did pump that out. That shouldn't happen on a normal cause. We didn't find any obstructions in the drainage system. We know the dike and the flap gate are designed to prevent surge from coming in that perhaps obstructed some of the water from coming out or made it longer in draining, partly tied to how long it took Dickinson Bayou and Gum Bayou to drop. So with Council's concurrence we are at least suggesting we start an engineering evaluation to determine how that works. That means as we looked at Palomino, Nottingham and Interurban drainage, we will take some dollars from there and delay the construction of those projects perhaps to make sure our dollars are going in the right place to look at the most impacted areas of the community. That is not included in the budget, we will manage that and bring something back to council probably in October for approval.

Rebecca Underhill, Assistant City Manager said at the last meeting council approved the budget ordinance as amended at the dais, to include a couple of changes. One was to include the tax revenue at the current tax rate at \$.57, which will reduce the amount of reserves required to fund the budget from \$5 million to \$3.7 million. In addition to that we had a list of items that were added to the proposed budget at that time which included the Keep League City Green initiative, Tahoe's for the Fire Marshal's office, subscription service for the Library, additional staff at the Parks Department and Fire Marshal's office, and the July 3rd fireworks celebration. Also, part of the conversation was a realignment of Capital Projects to include funding for the Turner/Butler Improvement Project at \$735,000 and Design of Palomino Extension at \$750,000. Funding was provided through reduction of street reconstruction and Nottingham ditch projects. These changes are reflected in the ordinance presented for second reading tomorrow night.

Mr. Baumgartner said can perhaps if you are prepared I have seen some preliminary numbers regarding storm and storm effect and what that means to the community. I know the numbers are very likely to grow and obviously these are numbers prior to insurance and FEMA participation.

Ms. Underhill said some of the numbers are very preliminary. A lot of the property damage will be covered by insurance. We expect to work with FEMA to get as much reimbursement as we can for some of the other costs. The total estimated cost right now is at \$11,177,062. The largest single cost is debris removal, disposal, and monitoring at \$7 million. To go over the list: payroll expenses \$1,196,786 - related to responding to the storm; shelter expenses \$6,546; distribution center \$500; gas and other supplies \$73,778; repairs of city facilities \$1,765,765. Jody and his group are doing a complete review of all the drainage outfalls and drainage systems. They are currently at 40% complete with the review and have identified \$1.27 million in repairs. Streets, traffic signals, wastewater facilities and water facilities took some level of damage that will need to be repaired. The next large section of expenses are vehicles. We had 21 vehicles that we feel will be totaled because of the flooding conditions, estimated over \$1 million. Again, we have insurance that will cover a large portion of this cost. We have another 32 pieces of equipment that we haven't determined the level of damage as of yet but we know they saw some water. Then there are the city facilities, where some level of damage was seen whether a minor roof leak or something a little more substantive. Staff continues to work through the list to identify the damage. We have had TML assigned adjusters on site that have started working with us. We will continue to work through the process and update the numbers as they are available.

Mr. Baumgartner added, we had two buildings significantly damaged with water entering them. One was Fire Station #5 in Bay Colony and the other was Butler Longhorn Museum.

4. CONDUCT A WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO RECEIVE INFORMATION CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS APPEARING ON THE MEETING AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY.

NO VOTE OR ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION

5. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:30 p.m. Mayor Hallisey said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

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MINUTES APPROVED: