



# City of League City, TX

300 West Walker  
League City TX 77573

## Meeting Minutes City Council

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Tuesday, July 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 6:02 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 Rabbi Yitzi Schmukler of the Chabad of the Bay Area. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 3A. 18-0376 May 8, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 3B. 18-0377 May 22, 2018 Council Work Session
- 3C. 18-0405 May 22, 2018 Regular Meeting
- 3D. 18-0406 June 12, 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. 18-0389 Presentation by Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman (Director of Planning & Development)

The presentation was given by P&Z Chairman Doug Turner.

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
Steve Paterson	414 Audubon	Innovation Interstate Corridor

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 - I wanted to thank Chief Ratliff. My niece came to spend a little over a week with my wife and I and she is very interested in forensics and things like that. Chief and his team rolled out the red carpet for her and gave her the day of a lifetime. So I really wanted to thank the Chief and his team. At the Library, on Wednesday, July 25 at 10:15 and 11:15 (two sessions), preschoolers and their families will take part in an Arts Alive celebration called "Dance in Your Pants"! The children will be moving and grooving in our Library Theater. This program is for ages 2 1/2 to 5 years. Also on July 25, Tweens will participate in "Fun with Snap Circuits;" a part of the science and technology program series for those between the ages of 8 to 13 years. This program will take place in the Library Theater from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. For an exciting change and part of our "Libraries Rock!" Summer Reading Program for adults, the Helen Hall Library welcomes Andy & The Dreamsicles on Thursday, August 2 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Library Theater. This band plays soft rock and 70's favorites, so families are invited to come take part.

Nick Long – I had the opportunity to sit with Steve (Paterson) and hear some of the stuff that they're doing and particularly on this Innovation Corridor and I encourage anybody to learn more about it, especially people on the Council. I found it incredibly exciting and if you just think about it, 10 years ago if you said "the energy corridor", nobody would know what you were talking about. That wasn't a thing. Now you drive down through Katy and you just see those glimmering office buildings with four, five, six hundred people in those buildings and they get to go right back to their houses in Katy. If we could develop something like that here, around the Grand Parkway or IH-45, or whatever it may be, where we can bring high quality jobs to League City, so people don't have to drive into Harris County, I think that would be something that is definitely worthwhile. And at the same time bringing all that new tax dollars to help us with the basic infrastructure. So I think it's pretty exciting. This may be the only place, one of the only places, in the country where it's routine to have an astronaut as your baseball coach, a rocket scientist and an oil engineer all kind of sitting there. So, we need to capitalize on that unique aspect. So I'm pretty excited and thanks, Steve, for all you've done on that.

**Dan Becker had no comments.**

**Hank Dugie – I come bearing good news. Before I share the good news, I would like to point out that three members on Council are matching and I did not get the memo that we were wearing beige or tan suits tonight. The good news, first, a couple of weeks ago I attended the Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee meeting and we did not have a quorum, but we had a very hearty discussion about what we want that steering committee to do going forward. We got so much momentum generated that instead of meeting in September, we are now going to meet in August. We moved that meeting up a month and at that meeting we are going to discuss regional solutions to eliminating or drastically reduced flooding in the area. We can't solve flooding problems in the area without knowing what the rest of the possible solutions would be, so I'm looking forward to that discussion. Before we can even talk about funding them, we've got to know what the options are. So, I'm looking forward to that meeting in August. Secondly, and since the Boy Scouts are here, I'll do a poll. For all of you Boy Scouts out there a show of hands, how many of you know what Quidditch is? A handful. How many of you know that League City has a major-league Quidditch team? Three, wonderful. All three of you win a prize. This past weekend we went to Kansas City and we beat Kansas City two games to one. That's not even the most exciting part. We qualified for nationals, and now we get to make a trip to Wisconsin later in August and Wisconsin wouldn't be the first place I chose to visit, but that's where we're going and we hope to bring back a championship to League City. That's my bit of exciting news and next time we're coordinating suits, just let me know.**

**Larry Millican – Mr. Dugie, hats off to you on the Steering Committee meeting. I thought that you were definitely a leader and an instigator of that being an exchange of ideas and I think it's wonderful. I'd like to thank everybody for coming tonight and welcome everybody at home. I'd like to begin because of my colleague here saying that I wasn't reporting enough as far as what I did between Council Meetings. I decided I'd put together a little dissertation tonight about some of the things that I've done over the past couple of weeks. I attended a Parks Board meeting July 12, the Parks Board considered park land for the two PUDs out in the far west side of town and they finally got through all the changes to the Master Parks Trails and Open Space plan. That will be coming to Council fairly soon. Also, the board recommended moving forward with the 518 trail through the Fairway Point area of League City. I also attended a HOT Tax board meeting July 18, at which the board considered all the post events for the Salute to Heroes dinner and reviewed the monthly numbers of the visits to the website of CVB. Also, the highlight was a seminar that staff arranged for all of the HOT Tax members along with City staff. There was a person, Justin Bragiel, from the Texas Hotel Lobby Association who gave a presentation on Chapter 351 of the Tax Code and the proper use of HOT tax money, which I thought was very well received and a lot of good questions came out of it. I know that the HOT Tax Board got a lot of information out of it.**

I also attended an H-GAC board meeting in the absence of Pat (Hallisey) who wasn't here and it was probably the most spirited meeting that I've attended as far as all the board of directors meeting. Anybody who missed it surely missed a good one. And when I say spirited, we had a lively discussion on the approval of the funding method for the Harvey recovery funds. There were some proposed changes that didn't get out of the gate. Maybe they did get out of the gate, but they certainly weren't passed. It was going to cost League City about 700 or 750 thousand dollars if the changes would have gone into effect, but the majority chose to cap the funding the same. They also approved a regional safety campaign that's going to include Safe Clear for all the major roadways around the Houston-Galveston area. If nobody is familiar with that, it's if a car breaks down on the side of one of the major freeways, a tow truck comes and tows you off the freeway so that keeps the roadways clear and the shoulders clear. But that's about it. I didn't want to go through all the meetings that I attended just for the sake of time, but I thank everybody for coming.

Greg Gripon – Larry, are you running for office? Wow! But I do thank you for all that information and going to all those events. I try to make as many as I can. I do have a Lions social later, so I will yield my time so we can get to it.

Keith Gross – Welcome everybody to the Council Meeting. Mr. Mayor, I will yield my time.

Mayor Hallisey – My wife out there has this bad habit of every time I get up to give a talk she's making gestures to cut it short, get on with it. With us tonight is the former Mayor of Friendswood and a good friend, Kevin Holland. Glad that you're here, Mr. Mayor. Always happy to have you. He may have been the Mayor of Friendswood, but he built in League City. How's that? That's our connection. I'm going to take a personal moment because my youngest daughter, Ashley, made the dean's list at the University of Houston. We're really proud of her. To all you Boy Scouts, that means you made all A's. They just call it something different than all A's when you get to college. How many of you make all A's, all the Boy Scouts? Look at the hands going up. I guarantee you you're parents brag about you wherever they go. Those of you that maybe had a B last time, next time you come to see me, tell me you got all A's, because you're the future and you're the smart guys in the neighborhood. Where is Chief Ratliff? Not here? I was going to have him make a speech, but is Mr. Kramm here? Let me tell you, I was advised of something today that I thought bears some repeating. It was observed that one of our League City Police Officers, out by South Shore, was on the side of the road in 100 degree weather taking a tire off a private school bus and putting a new tire on. You know, we pay those guys to protect us, I never thought of it going so far as the tires, but God bless him for doing that. Mike, did you hear that? Whoever that was, please make sure the Chief gives him some accolades because those are the kind of thing that make us all League City proud. Thank you. The Innovation Corridor, I was at that meeting as well. I think there were some really smart people there. There were some venture capitalists there.

Steve really did a good job of putting a lot of differing people together, but the most important is he invited us because our city is the one that benefits. If there is anything we all have talked about, it's about the importance of business, commercial and industry to League City to help diversify the tax base and take the load off the property homeowner. So, Steve, good job on that. We're behind you 100 percent. Anything else you want us to do, just tell us, we'll be there. That's all I've got.

**8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS**

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

City Manager John Baumgartner - just one quick announcement, three weeks ago David Reagan started with us as our Building Official. We're excited to have him here and help fill out our expertise in our building inspection team and building official team.

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Gripon, to approve Consent Agenda Items 9A through 9D. 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. 18-0382 Consider and take action on a resolution setting the date for a Public Hearing on August 28, 2018, to consider adoption of the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvements Plan under which Capital Recovery Fees may be imposed for roadways within the City; directing the City Secretary to Publish Notice of said Public Hearing; and directing the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee to consider and make recommendations on the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvements Plan. (Director of Engineering)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-93

- 9B. 18-0402 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Houston for City of League City's use of an armored vehicle owned by the City of Houston (Chief of Police)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-94

- 9C. 18-0378 Consider and take action on a resolution setting the date for the public hearing of the FY2019 Proposed Budget for August 14, 2018 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-95

- 9D. 18-0386 Consider and take action a resolution approving the PY 2018 Annual Action Plan related to the Community Development Block Grant Program (Director of Planning and Development)
- Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2018-96

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

- 11A. 18-0404 Consider and take action on a resolution approving the employee insurance benefits program for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 and authorizing agreement with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for medical plan change options related to employee health insurance (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Becker, to approve Resolution No. 2018-97 approving the employee insurance benefits program for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 and authorizing agreement with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company for medical plan change options related to employee health insurance, without the stop loss, which will be brought back at the next meeting. 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. 18-0399 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc. for the 2017 Asphalt Streets Rehabilitation Project Package 3 (CIP# RE 1704B) in an amount not to exceed \$1,446,355.35 and authorizing the expenditure of an additional \$144,636 for a construction work change directive budget (Director of Budget & Project Management)

A motion was made by Mr. Becker, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve Resolution No. 2018-98 authorizing a construction contract with AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc. for the 2017 Asphalt Streets Rehabilitation Project Package 3 (CIP# RE 1704B) in an amount not to exceed \$1,446,355.35 and authorizing the expenditure of an additional \$144,636 for a construction work change directive budget. 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. 18-0390 Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled, "Building and Building Regulations" to adopt the 2015 International Residential Code, 2015 International Building Code, 2015 International Fuel Gas Code, 2015 International Mechanical Code, 2015 International Plumbing Code, 2015 Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Law/Rules, 2015 International Energy Conversation Code, the 2015 Property Maintenance Code, and 2014 National Electrical Code (Director of Planning and Development)

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Dugie.

A motion to amend was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Long, to defer until after executive session so staff could provide clarification regarding wind speed. The amended motion passed by the following vote:

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

Out of Room: 1 - Mr. Becker

- 12B. 18-0403 Consider and take action on an ordinance re-appointing Kerri Foley as the temporary associate judge of the municipal court of record for a sixty (60) day period ending on October 10, 2018 and authorizing an agreement with Kerri Foley for various judicial services at a rate of \$150 per hour (Direction of Human Resources and Civil Service)

Staff recommends approval on first and final reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Gripon, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-22 re-appointing Kerri Foley as the temporary Associate Judge of the Municipal Court of Record for a sixty (60) day period ending on October 10, 2018 and authorizing an agreement with Kerri Foley for various judicial services at a rate of \$150 per hour. 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

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-22 on First and Final Reading. 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

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

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

At 7:01 p.m. Mayor Hallisey announced the City Council will now go into executive session to discuss the following items:

- 14A. 18-0408 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 utility agreement with MUD 6 (City Attorney)
- 14B. 18-0411 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074 Government Code - Personnel Matters
- Discuss employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: Permanent Associate Judge (Director of Human Resources and Civil Services)

At 7:32 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. 18-0409** Consider and take action on legal issues related to utility agreement with MUD 6 (City Attorney)

No Action

- 15B. 18-0412** Consider and take action on discussion regarding the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: Permanent Associate Judge (Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to reject all submissions and repost the position. 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

- 12A. 18-0390** Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled, "Building and Building Regulations" to adopt the 2015 International Residential Code, 2015 International Building Code, 2015 International Fuel Gas Code, 2015 International Mechanical Code, 2015 International Plumbing Code, 2015 Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Law/Rules, 2015 International Energy Conversation Code, the 2015 Property Maintenance Code, and 2014 National Electrical Code (Director of Planning and Development)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Becker, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-21 amending Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City entitled, "Building and Building Regulations" to adopt the 2015 International Residential Code, 2015 International Building Code, 2015 International Fuel Gas Code, 2015 International Mechanical Code, 2015 International Plumbing Code, 2015 Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Law/Rules, 2015 International Energy Conversation Code, the 2015 Property Maintenance Code, and 2014 National Electrical Code . 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

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:35 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:**