



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

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
Todd Kinsey
Greg Gripon
Chad Tressler
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:

Vacant

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 except Mr. Long.

Absent 1 - Mr. Nick Long

Present 7 - Mayor Pat Hallisey, Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, Mr. Greg Gripon and Mr. Chad Tressler

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

The invocation was given by Deacon Russ Carroll of St. Mary Catholic Church. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3A. 19-0129 November 27, 2018 Council Work Session

3B. 19-0139 December 11, 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. 19-0136 Presentation of Certificates for Participation in Student Government Day (Mayor Hallisey)

4B. 19-0141 Report from Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee (Mayor Hallisey)

A report was given by David Johnson, League City Alternate Representative to the Watershed Steering Committee.

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
David Johnson	2426 Thorndon Park Ct	GLO Program
Diane Turski	719 Marbrook Saddle Ln	League City Parkway

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 – At the Library, create a hungry caterpillar of your own—just like the famous one Eric Carle wrote about! This craft program will take place on Wednesday, February 27 from 10:15 until 11:15 in the Library Theater and is for children from 0 to 5 years old and their families. Learn about how the personal collection of J.P. Bryan became the Bryan Museum in Galveston. This program is for adults and is part of the History Club series of programs. It takes place on Thursday, February 28 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Library Theater. Teens, come be a part of the Teen Book Club Monday, March 11 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Library Theater. We'll be talking about books with a robotics theme, and it can be any book having to do with that topic that you feel like sharing. This program is for 6th to 12th graders.

Larry Millican – Welcome everybody. I'd like to thank everybody for coming tonight, and welcome the folks tuning in on Channel 16 and online. I'd like to report on some of the actions taken by H-GAC Transportation Policy Council at the meeting last week. The TPC passed a resolution supporting Highway 99. They passed that resolution for Segment B in Galveston and Brazoria Counties. The resolution asked TxDOT to complete all the traffic and revenue studies as quickly as possible and should the counties relinquish any primacy, proceed as quickly as possible to the final right-of-way and design and construction of the roadway. The TPC approved a resolution on additional funding for the Landing bridge and roadway, the extension of Landing. This is a \$27 million change order that's split 50/50 with the City of League City, the sponsoring city in the state of Texas. The change is for the realignment of the roadway and the subsequent relocation of the bridge span over Clear Creek. The length of the bridge increased from 700 feet to 2777 feet. That's a tremendous change, and to go into it a little bit more, the change is actually to the span length, it requires a structural change and an upgrade to steel from the concrete that was originally built. This change was largely due because of the fact that realignment of the creek and the elimination of those pillars in the creek so that the flow of water will be much greater underneath a 2700 foot span than a 700 foot span. It was mainly due to the realignment and also the ability for the roadway to travel at faster speeds. The construction is programmed now to begin in 2021 with the change order.

The Policy Council also received a briefing on the amendments to the TIP for next month's meeting, which includes one of the changes it's good to know it's going to be Webster's portion of the Landing extension and it's going to be on the agenda to approve their portion and their change order for the going over of the creek up there on the north end of that roadway. Again, with the entire completion of that it looks like that project is set to go and begin somewhere about 2021. I also put a copy of the presentation that we received from the High Capacity Transit Task Force at everybody's seat on Council tonight. I found it very interesting and very enlightening and thought-provoking, the study considers where we are today and where we'll be in 2045 as for transit. And this is going to be mass transit, not just roadways, but mass transit. They're predicting 2045 to increase the population of the eight counties that we serve by a total of 4.2 million people. If you think about that, right now we're the fourth largest city in the nation with a little bit more than 4 million people. And in 2045 we're going to be even increasing that double. What this means to high capacity transit and what's it going to look like. How's it going to be funded? It's a very intriguing part that needs to be discussed, what we want to consider the first mile and the last mile. It's concerning for League City. League City currently has no transit, no mass transit, no consolidated bus routes, or anything like that. Considering that, let me say it's not that I think that this city wants to have any of those mass transportation. But when you look at the plan itself and when you identify the corridors that are going to need mass transportation, maybe high speed rail, maybe elevated rail, there's a lot of scenarios in that package I gave you. But, where does the City need to be to keep that small town feel? Where does the City need to be involved in some of the activities and for matter where do transit centers need to be? If this city is going to grow, and we're going to grow again twice the size that we are, we've got that in all of our water use plans, our transit plans, our transportation plans, our housing plans, our water needs, I mean we are all figuring that's where it's going to be, start puzzling and say well where is the transit center itself going to be that's going to connect us to the rest of the world. We can't be just isolated, we've got to consider how we're going to connect, and where those transit centers need to be and what they need to look like. I think the Mayor says it best when he said he attended one conference that talked in terms of autonomous vehicles. They're now discussing autonomous buses and how that's going to look and how that's going to play in. Where do those fixtures leave League City, where do we figure into this plan? How do we get our citizens mobile around this whole area? I think it's good to ponder those ideas, think about them and that's the reason why I thought you all would enjoy reading about getting to it.

Greg Gripon – Councilman Millican did leave one thing out, both of us will be leaving out tomorrow to San Marcos for TML Elected Officials Conference. It'll be a two-day event, look forward to it. Hopefully the weather's going to dry up. I heard somebody pose that our mud is getting rehydrated and it needed to dry up a little.

Chad Tressler had no comments.

Andy Mann had no comments.

Hank Dugie – I am happy to announce that this weekend I traveled to Arlington and competed in the Southwest Regional Quidditch Championship, where my team took third place. It's not first place but we're satisfied because it allows us to go to Round Rock in April and compete for a national championship. I'm even more happy to announce that students from League City were represented on twelve different teams at the tournament, so it made be an odd and quirky recreational activity that we do here in League City, but it's really allowing these people to travel, engage in new friendships and relationships and to participate in something that's fun and also keeps them active and healthy. So, in May we will be have tryouts for the League City Legends major league Quidditch team. I am expecting to be the coach of the team once again and for anyone out in the audience that'd like to play, especially you high school students that are graduating, be looking out for announcements in the near future. I would also like to thank all the high school students that are still here for participating in the student government day. I was elected to Council at the age of 26, so that means you all have 8 or 9 years to get elected to this Council. We're all excited to have you up here. A lot of people ask me how do you get involved and I tell them the first step really is just showing up, just be present and you'll find something that you're passionate about and an opportunity will present itself and you can take it. So just show up and that goes for anything in life. No matter where you go if you want to be successful, you want to do good, just show up and opportunities will present themselves. Thank you for showing up and be a part of this today. Good luck to you wherever you go.

Mayor Hallisey had no comments.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

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

- 8A. 19-0127 Presentation of the League City Police Department's Annual Racial Profiling Report for CY2018 (Chief of Police)

The report was presented by Chief of Police Gary Ratliff.

City Manager John Baumgartner – This Saturday is League City's first household hazardous waste day, I believe it's from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Hometown Heroes Park. It is being paid for by the citizens of League City, being run by AmeriWaste, and as such we are going to require ID and water utility bill to prove League City residency. It is an expensive event to run and it's not county-wide, there's not a grant for it like there has been in the past years so just for our use. Again, that event is Saturday, 9:00 to 2:00 at Hometown Heroes.

The other thing I that we're all waiting anxiously for is TxDOT is going to remove the overpass at 646. I believe that starts Friday night, or Saturday. So we will see traffic patterns change throughout the community. With some luck and good weather that should be done in about six months. Meanwhile, plan a little extra time, if you can avoid the frontage roads, Walker, Calder Road, you'll see additional traffic out there as people try to get back and forth from the highway. Just a quick comment on League City Parkway. Ms. Turski is correct, that's not currently in our approved CIP. It is certainly on our minds as to how we're going to get it paid for. I've had a couple of conversations with Commissioner Clark related to the Galveston County bond program, perhaps there's some discretionary money that can be assigned to that. We're balancing the need to complete that section of League City Parkway with the need to complete the section to our city limit line. Both of them are of interest, there's probably not enough money to do both, and then the other alternative is to perhaps extend the TIRZ that exists. The TIRZ is how Westwood funded the completion of Maple Leaf and the extension of League City Parkway, so I'm looking at that as a possibility in working with the Westwood TIRZ as well as Commissioner Clark and hopefully by budget time we'll have some sort of vision on how we move forward with that. Meanwhile, Ms. Turski is correct. It's not part of our CIP as we sit here today.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

For: 7 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Absent: 1 - Mr. Long

- 9A. 19-0123 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office - Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program for the purchase of Rifle Resistant Body Armor for the League City Fire Marshal's Office and authorizing Assistant City Manager Michael Kramm to accept such a grant if awarded (Fire Chief)

Approved on Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2019-35

- 9B. 19-0124 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an agreement with Rolltechs Specialty Vehicles, LLC for an arson command trailer in an amount not to exceed \$79,254.74 (Fire Chief)

A motion was made by Mayor Hallisey, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve Resolution No. 2019-36 authorizing an agreement with Rolltechs Specialty Vehicles, LLC for an arson command trailer in an amount not to exceed \$79,254.74. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

Absent: 1 - Mr. Long

- 9C. 19-0125** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the submission of application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office - FY2019 State Homeland Security Grant Program for the purchase of equipment and electronics for the custom Fire/Arson and Explosions Investigation/Command Trailer and authorizing Assistant City Manager Michael Kramm to accept such a grant if awarded (Fire Chief)

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Kinsey, to approve Resolution No. 2019-37 authorizing the submission of application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office FY2019 State Homeland Security Grant Program for the purchase of equipment and electronics for the custom Fire/Arson and Explosions Investigation/Command Trailer and authorizing Assistant City Manager Michael Kramm to accept such a grant if awarded. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

Absent: 1 - Mr. Long

- 9D. 19-0126** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a two-year agreement with Southwest Signal Supply, Inc. for traffic control and related device maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$160,000 in FY2019 - FY2021 (Director of Public Works)

Approved on Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2019-38

- 9E. 19-0128** 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 construct, install, and maintain certain improvements consisting of a sanitary sewer line located at Highway 3 and Byron within the existing Genesis Pipeline easement for an amount not to exceed \$3,500 (Director of Engineering)

Approved on Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2019-39

- 9F. 19-0132** Consider and take action on a resolution for scheduling a Public Hearing on April 9, 2019, to consider adoption of Capital Recovery Fees for Water and Wastewater Facilities; directing the City Secretary to publish notice of said public hearing and directing the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee to consider and make a recommendation on the Capital Recovery Fee Report (Director of Engineering)

Approved on Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2019-40

- 9G. 19-0138** Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a second amendment to the professional services agreement with Huitt-Zollars Inc for the Downtown Redevelopment Project (ED1503) to add related services to re-design the drainage facilities along Coryell Street in an amount not to exceed \$62,960.00 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Approved on Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2019-41

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

10. OLD BUSINESS**11. NEW BUSINESS****11A. 19-0133 Consider and take action to excuse absences (City Secretary)**

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Gripon, to excuse the absences of Mr. Kinsey. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Mann

Absent: 1 - Mr. Long

12. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**13. ITEMS ADDED AFTER ELECTRONIC AGENDA COMPLETED****14. EXECUTIVE(CLOSED) SESSION(S)****15. ACTION ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)****16. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:01 p.m. Mayor Hallisey said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: