



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

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

Chief of Police:

Gary Ratliff

Executive Director of Development Services

David Hoover

Director of Budget/Project Management

Angie Steelman

Director of Engineering:

Christopher Sims

Director of Finance:

Kristine Polian

Director of Human Resources/Civil Service:

Janet Shirley

Director of Parks & Cultural Services:

Chien Wei

Director of Public Works:

Jody Hooks

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present except Mayor Pat Hallisey and Mr. Gripon.

Absent 2 - Mayor Pat Hallisey and Mr. Greg Gripon

Present 6 - Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, 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 Dr. Billy Watson of The Watershed Church. Mayor Pro Tem Dugie led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3A. 20-0584 October 27, 2020 Regular Meeting

3B. 20-0587 November 17, 2020 Special Meeting

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

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

4A. 20-0554 Recognition of outgoing Council Member Todd Kinsey (City Secretary)

John Baumgartner, City Manager, gave a summary of Council Member Todd Kinsey's time on City Council.

4B. 20-0580 Presentation of Lighthouse Leadership Award (Mayor and Council)

The award was presented to resident David Johnson.

4C. 20-0593 Donation and check presentation by City staff to Interfaith Caring Ministries (Director of Communications and Media Relations)

Sarah Greer Osborne presented a check for \$1,400, as well as the donation of toys.

4D. 20-0581 Presentation by League City Transportation and Infrastructure Committee (Mayor Hallisey)

The presentation was given by David Johnson

4E. 20-0582 Report from Emergency Turnaround Task Force (Mayor Hallisey)

The report was given by Dewan Clayborn.

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	SUBJECT
Cathy Driscoll	Monthly Town Hall Meetings
Monica Hughes	Butler Museum

Sarah Greer Osborne, Directors of Communications, read comments that were submitted online by citizens:

George Turski	Building Promised Park
George Turski	Westwood Flooding Friendswood Park

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

- 6A. 20-0572 Hold a public hearing on a request for a Special Use Permit, SUP-20-0003, (7-Eleven Fueling Station and Convenience Store), in a "CG" (General Commercial) zoning district, with an address of 1210 East FM 518 and generally located on the northwest corner of FM 518 and Lawrence Road, League City, Texas (Executive Director of Development Services)

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie opened the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.

David Hoover, Executive Director of Development Services, gave an overview. A corrected ordinance was provided to Council. A representative of the applicant was present to answer questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie closed the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

- 6B. 20-0573** Consider and take action on an ordinance approving a Special Use Permit, SUP-20-0003, (7-Eleven Fueling Station and Convenience Store), in a “CG” (General Commercial) zoning district, with an address of 1210 East FM 518 and generally located on the northwest corner of FM 518 and Lawrence Road, League City, Texas (Executive Director of Development Services)

Planning and Zoning Commission approved the request on November 16, 2020, 7-0-0 with one member absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Ordinance No. 2020-37, approving a Special Use Permit, SUP 20 0003, (7 Eleven Fueling Station and Convenience Store), in a “CG” (General Commercial) zoning district, with an address of 1210 East FM 518, subject to the conditions included in the packet and as recommended by staff. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

- 6C. 20-0570** Hold a public hearing on a Rezoning Application, MAP-20-0002 (2801 Calder Drive), to rezone approximately 2.55 acres from “RSF-20” (Single-Family Residential with a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet) to “CG” (General Commercial), generally located along the west side of Calder Drive, approximately 315 feet north of Oleander Lane with the address of 2801 Calder Drive (Executive Director of Development Services)

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m.

David Hoover, Executive Director of Development Services, gave an overview. Representatives of the applicant were present to answer questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie closed the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

- 6D. 20-0571** Consider and take action on an ordinance approving a Rezoning, MAP-20-0002, (2801 Calder Drive), to rezone approximately 2.55 acres from “RSF-20” (Single-Family Residential with a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet) to “CG” (General Commercial), generally located along the west side of Calder Drive, approximately 315 feet north of Oleander Lane with the address of 2801 Calder Drive (Executive Director of Development Services)

Planning and Zoning Commission approved the request on November 16, 2020, 5-2-0 with one member absent.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Ordinance 2020-38, approving a Rezoning, MAP 20 0002, (2801 Calder Drive), to rezone approximately 2.55 acres from “RSF 20” (Single Family Residential with a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet) to “CG” (General Commercial). The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

7. COMMENTS/REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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

Larry Millican – Thank you, Mayor Pro Tem. Since the Clear Creek Watershed Steering Committee wasn't on the agenda earlier, I'll go ahead and review that meeting that we had this morning now, and I'll reserve my other comments for some other meeting that I have prepared. I started off this morning with a Galveston County Consolidate Drainage District meeting. It started this morning, and the takeaway from it was that on the Imperial Estates to give everybody an update, they're now up to 100,000 truckloads of soil removed. They're at about 65 percent, which gives them somewhere in the neighborhood of 70,000 acre-feet of storage at this point. The other thing is, I reported for the city during that meeting about our championing of the \$60 million in projects that we completed as a city last year. Also, as far as League City and the classification change to a Class 5 from a Class 6 on the National Flood Insurance Program, and that was very well received. Then we had a Clear Creek Watershed Steering Committee meeting this morning, it started at 11:00. The report from it is that there's a large discussion, we've got two projects on Upper Clear Creek that are going on, one is the South Belt Detention, and the other is the Dagg Road Detention Basin that they're building, and there are ongoing discussions about the South Belt Detention, whether it's going to be a wet bottom or a dry bottom. The discussion surrounds Hobby Airport and the birding activity on a wet bottom. Although a wet bottom will hold more water and be able to be utilized a little better, it may run into trouble with that. But at any rate, there's an ongoing discussion and it doesn't seem like it's going to be resolved anytime in the immediate future, but hopefully in the near future. Also, they've also identified a new detention basin. A lot of people may recognize off of 2351 there's been a developer back in the period of time that Friendswood was lingering after Hurricane Harvey with adopting the new guidelines for Atlas 14 and the requirements for flood mitigation they allowed a person to come in and put a lot of fill, acres of fill, on a site fairly close to the creek over in Harris County. A lot of uproar came of that. Eventually, Friendswood corrected some of the activities that was there, and now that's been turned over to the Harris County Flood Control District. They bought that property and have eliminated all of the fill that was on that property and have gone now to the point where they're going to be putting in another detention basin there. Harris County is, and it's going to be about 80 acres in the site, and it's going to hold somewhere around 800 acre-feet of water when the detention pond is built. It's probably got something around a four- or five-year projection as far as getting it engineered and developed. And that is about the end of my report.

Todd Kinsey – no comments

Greg Gripon – no comments

Chad Tressler – no comments

Nick Long – no comments

Andy Mann – I just wanted to tell Todd again, thanks and I'll miss him. Other than that, I yield my time.

Mayor Pro Tem Hank Dugie – Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee didn't make it to the agenda, either. I did not send a reminder. Mr. Millican, I thought your meeting was next month? The Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee met last week, and we passed a resolution in support of the findings and recommendations of the U S Army Corps of Engineers, their Coastal Spine Program. What you'll like to hear is the Clear Lake and Dickinson Bayou gates are included in their recommendations. They have extended their public comment period by thirty days, but I think we have an item on the agenda tonight that League City will get their comments in there in support of that activity. I'd like to say welcome back to Larry. I know that you were out sick, and we're glad to have you back. Mayor Hallisey is on the mend. From my latest update, he should be out in the next couple of weeks at the latest. By all accounts, his energy and enthusiasm is returning to him. His love for League City really has never failed. We're excited to have him back. He should probably be able to preside over our next meeting. We also don't want him to rush back, we want him to be sure he's fully healed before he comes back. I had the opportunity to go to a couple of events over the last two weeks. The Mouse King Market, we had over 70 or 80 craft vendors, some food trucks, out at the Blue Building. Very well attended by the public. We also had a tree lighting ceremony and we had the ribbon cutting at the Ghirardi House. It's been pretty busy. We've had good attendance at all of those activities. One thing I've noticed, citizens of League City are doing a great job of wearing masks when they're at a gathering. I really appreciate the fact that people are going out of their way to keep other people at events safe. This Saturday we will be having an event, Happy Holiday Hoopla at League Park. We'll have about 20 craft vendors, some food trucks, some music, Santa Claus and his elves will make an appearance. We're doing an ugly sweater contest, and we're capping it off with a screening of the movie Elf. We hope to see you out there. Please, if you're going to join us, you're encouraged to wear a mask and to do what you can to keep yourself and those around you safe. That's it for me.

Larry Millican - The Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors a boat lane lighting contest every year, and it's been going on 40-50 years, something of that nature. League City is a major sponsor, and it's this weekend, Saturday night. You can view that from a lot of places on land, but one thing that just happened in the last few years, is the boat lane comes up Davis Road Canal now and goes and turns around and comes back out. There's a lot of viewing places in League City now for the boat lane. I wanted to share that.

Mayor Pro Tem Dugie - I did forget to mention, and it's pretty exciting news. This will be our last meeting in this council chamber before it gets renovated. Our next meeting will be December 28 at the Civic Center to canvass the vote of the December 15 Runoff Election. Voting is going on now, we encourage you to get out and vote. Your participation is key. Once we start back up in January, we'll have our meetings in the Civic Center until our Council Chamber renovations are completed.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

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

John Baumgartner – Just a couple of things. I wanted to give a shoutout to the Helen Hall Library staff, who have organized a variety of virtual online, and in-person holiday activities for all ages. The week-long event is called “All Booked Up for the Holidays.” Tomorrow, participants can pick up children’s, teen and adult holiday crafts to go. Thursday is full of trivia and scavenger hunts for all ages. On Friday, Santa will be stopping by for Facebook Live and take part in Children’s Storytime. For more information, visit leaguecity.com. Later, Santa is also expected to stop by two different events in League City on Saturday, December 12. His first stop will be Hometown Heroes for a drive-thru breakfast and photo session from 9 to 11. Pre-registration is required. Visit leaguecity.com for more information on that. I think, as it relates to the boat parade, it’s 59th annual. It starts at 6 p.m., and for those with a boat, there’s still time to register to be in the parade. That would be Clear Lake Chamber that’s managing the registration. The printed copies of League City’s Shop Local Holiday Guide are still available for pickup at City Hall, the library, and Hometown Heroes Recreation Center. All 23 League City stores featured in the guide are offering a coupon good until December 31. To get the coupon, download the free Discover League City app on your cell phone. We’ve talked about the Runoff Election. Mayor Hallisey just wanted me to wish everybody a Merry Christmas as obviously this is our last meeting before Christmas, and to encourage everybody to practice good COVID safety techniques. Thank you.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

- 9A. 20-0568 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a contingent fee professional services agreement with Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP for delinquent ad valorem tax and delinquent municipal court fee/fine collection services (Director of Finance)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-180

- 9B. 20-0583 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the purchase of ammunition for the Police Department from Precision Delta Corporation, through TX SmartBuy, in an amount not to exceed \$50,108.20 (Chief of Police)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-181

- 9C. 20-0577 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the FY2021 Houston Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for the purchase of a 1-ton truck and authorizing Assistant City Manager Michael Kramm to accept such grant if awarded (Fire Chief)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-182

- 9D. 20-0579 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the FY2021 Houston Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for the purchase of new and replacement radio equipment for public safety/first responders to include public works and authorizing City Manager John Baumgartner to accept such grant if awarded (Director of Information Technology)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-183

- 9E. 20-0576 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with ARKK Engineers, LLC for the design and construction phase services related to the FM518 Waterline Replacement Project - Landing Ditch to Palomino (WT1904E) in an amount not to exceed \$211,465 (Director of Budget and Project Management)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-184

- 9F. 20-0590 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with HR Green, Inc. for design work related to the Asphalt Streets Rehabilitation Project Package 6 (RE1704G) in an amount not to exceed \$336,515 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-185

- 9G. 20-0578 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an agreement with Regent Sienna Plantation Partnership, L.P. for the purchase of mitigation credits to satisfy the requirements of a permit issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers related to the Grissom Road Street Reconstruction Project (RE1702G) in an amount not to exceed \$58,500 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-186

- 9H. 20-0592 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation (DEC) for drainage analysis and applicable design work related to the Hughes Ln.-W. Deats Rd Culvert Modification Project (DR2103) in an amount not to exceed \$334,150 (Director of Engineering)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-187**END OF CONSENT AGENDA****10. OLD BUSINESS**

11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11A. 20-0591 Consider and take action on a resolution providing input for the second United States Army Corps of Engineers public comment period for the review of the Texas Coastal Study 2020 Draft Feasibility Report (City Manager)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Resolution No. 2020-188 providing input for the second United States Army Corps of Engineers public comment period for the review of the Texas Coastal Study 2020 Draft Feasibility Report. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

- 11B. 20-0569 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the purchase of body-worn cameras, dash camera systems for the marked patrol vehicles, and camera systems for the interview rooms at the Public Safety Building (PSB) from Axon Enterprise, Inc. over a five-year period in the amount not to exceed \$1,244,548.41 (Chief of Police)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Resolution No. 2020-189 authorizing the purchase of body worn cameras, dash camera systems for the marked patrol vehicles, and camera systems for the interview rooms at the Public Safety Building (PSB) from Axon Enterprise, Inc. over a five year period in the amount not to exceed \$1,244,548.41. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

12. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- 12A. 20-0547 Consider and take action on an ordinance appointing Kathleen M. McCumber as the presiding judge of the Municipal Court of Record in the City of League City for a two-year term beginning February 8, 2021 and ending February 7, 2023, and authorizing an agreement with Kathleen M. McCumber various judicial services at a rate of \$90,000 per year (Director of Finance)

Staff recommends approval on first and final reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Ordinance No. 2020-39 appointing Kathleen M. McCumber as the presiding judge of the Municipal Court of Record in the City of League City for a two year term beginning February 8, 2021 and ending February 7, 2023, and authorizing an agreement with Kathleen M. McCumber various judicial services at a rate of \$90,000 per year. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance 2020-39 on First and Final Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

- 12B. 20-0548 Consider and take action on an ordinance appointing Laticia Fuhr and Shari Goldsberry as associate judges of the Municipal Court of Record in the City of League City for a two-year term beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2023 and authorizing agreements with Laticia Fuhr and Shari Goldsberry for various judicial services at a rate of \$150 per hour (Director of Finance)

Staff recommends approval on first and final reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve Ordinance 2020-40 appointing Laticia Fuhr and Shari Goldsberry as associate judges of the Municipal Court of Record in the City of League City for a two year term beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2023 and authorizing agreements with Laticia Fuhr and Shari Goldsberry for various judicial services at a rate of \$150 per hour. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance 2020-40 on First and Final Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

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

- 13A. 20-0594 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a construction contract with Mar-Con Services, LLC., for League City Parkway and Brittany Lakes Drive/Fennigan Lane Traffic System Improvement Project (TR1101A), in an amount of \$1,735,087.10 and authorizing a work change directive budget of \$173,509 for a total construction budget of \$1,908,596.10 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

A motion was made by Mr. Millican, seconded by Mr. Mann, to approve Resolution No. 2020-190 authorizing a construction contract with Mar Con Services, LLC., for League City Parkway and Brittany Lakes Drive/Fennigan Lane Traffic System Improvement Project (TR1101A), in an amount of \$1,735,087.10 and authorizing a work change directive budget of \$173,509 for a total construction budget of \$1,908,596.10. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

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

At 8:05 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Dugie announced the City Council will now go into executive session to discuss the following items:

- 14A. 20-0585 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.087 Government Code - Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

Discuss the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that seeks to locate, stay, or expand within the City of League City, Texas (Executive Director of Development Services)

At 9:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Dugie 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. 20-0586** Consider and take action on the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that seeks to locate, stay, or expand within the City of League City, Texas (Executive Director of Development Services)

A motion was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Mann, to postpone action to the first meeting in January 2021. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 5 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

Absent: 2 - Mayor Hallisey and Mr. Gripon

16. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:01 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Dugie said there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

HANK DUGIE
MAYOR PRO TEM

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: