



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

6:00 PM

Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center
400 West Walker Street

Regular Meeting

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a regular meeting in the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center at 400 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

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

Interim 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 6:18 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 Pastor Brian Young of Word Power Church. Mayor Hallisey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 3A. 21-0179 February 23, 2021 Council Work Session
- 3B. 21-0180 March 9, 2021 Council Work Session
- 3C. 21-0186 March 9, 2021 Regular Meeting
- 3D. 21-0200 March 23, 2021 Council Work Session
- 3E. 21-0219 March 23, 2021 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. 21-0189 Presentation of a proclamation recognizing April 25, 2021 as "International Parental Alienation Awareness Day" (Mayor Hallisey)
- 4B. 21-0202 Presentation of a proclamation recognizing April 11-17, 2021 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (Mayor Hallisey)
- 4C. 21-0209 Presentation of a proclamation declaring April 13, 2021, as "Mayors' Monarch Pledge Day" (Executive Director of Development Services)
- 4D. 21-0208 Presentation of a proclamation declaring May 15, 2021, as "World Migratory Bird Day." (Executive Director of Development Services)
- 4E. 21-0205 Presentation of a proclamation declaring September 18, 2021, as "Arbor Day" (Executive Director Development Services)
- 4F. 21-0193 Report from Emergency Turnaround Task Force (Mayor Hallisey)

Dave Johnson presented the report

4G. 21-0197 Report from Clear Creek Watershed Steering Committee (Mayor Hallisey)

Larry Millican presented the report

4H. 21-0224 Report from Dickinson Bayou Watershed Steering Committee (Mayor Hallisey)

Hank Dugie presented the report

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
Peggy Zahler	1802 Rampart	

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 Hank Dugie – Thank you Mr. Mayor. Over at the library. The library is joining in on the city's Sunday in the Park. On Sunday, May 2, Helen Hall Library will be at League Park with all sorts of fun activities. There will be giveaways, crafts, story time and more. Come join us. There are also a couple of special Friends of Helen Hall Library book sales coming up in May. May 15, and May 22, from 10 to 2 p.m. The May 15 sale is for Friends members only, so join today, or even you can join the day of the sale. Everything will be \$1. Summer reading is coming. Reading programs, prizes. Starts June 1 for all ages. Go to the website, take a look at the offerings and register if need be. I was able to attend the Butler Longhorn Museum event over the weekend.

I think they had a car show, a little craft vendor fair, and they were doing tours for people inside. If you've not done a tour of the museum recently, it really is fascinating to hear about the history of League City. The tour guide that I was able to go with was phenomenal. You could tell that he really loved the material. I hadn't been in a while, so it was a nice refresher on where we've come from as a community. That's it for me, thank you Mr. Mayor.

John Bowen – I also attended the Longhorn event. It was a pretty good event, quite a few cool cars there. I didn't get a chance to do the tour, but it was very well attended from what I saw. Also, I would like to remind everybody about the Sundays in the Park that Sarah is putting on. Many of the Council Members will be attending various Sundays, if not all Sundays. If you have any questions you'd like to speak with the Council Members we'll be there en masse or on our own time. Thank you very much, that's all I have.

Justin Hicks – Yeah, sure, I'll say something. I would wish everybody a happy belated Easter. It was certainly a much more enjoyable experience, I would think everybody would agree, compared to this time last year. I guess what I would say to the county and local here, what we've done collectively with our efforts, I appreciate everybody to make it that experience. A lot of Easter egg hunting, crawfishing, it was a good time for everybody.

Chad Tressler – no comment

Nick Long – Thank you. The League City Thunder are beating the League City Iron Pigs 13-10, so it is a great day in League City. Their coach isn't there, but they're still managing a stellar performance. Maybe the defense needs to pick up a little bit, giving up 10 runs in 3 innings is not exactly great, but I'm glad to know I'm at least missed somewhere.

Andy Mann – no comment

Larry Millican – no comment

Mayor Hallisey – We had two longtime employees retire since our last meeting. Many of you know that Jeanne Hammack, who was Diana Stapp's deputy down there has retired. How many years was she with us? Ten? I thought it was 40 or something. She retired and we certainly want to wish her well and thank her for her service to the people of this community and we're proud of her. Bette Specion had some health issues and she thought it probably better that she retire. Bette was a long-time person in this town. She was president of League City Proud, was in the Lions Club. She controlled the back door of the post office for all us who did mass mailings in years past. She was the one who we had to get past with all the right credentials and right checks. Bette's been involved in town for a long time. We wish her well. We are all praying that her health improves and that she gets to feeling better.

She's a first-class person. She's already retired once or twice from her other jobs. Now, she's on her third retirement, and let's hope it's a good one for her. I hope she gets to travel and do all that stuff. She was also president of Longhorn Butler Museum Board and was there at the beginning of all that. She's been active in town a long time.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

- 8A. 21-0226 Presentation of the Financial Report for Quarter Ended September 2020 (Director of Budget & Project Management)

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- 8B. 21-0196 Presentation of the Investment Report of the Section 4B Industrial Development Corporation for the quarter ended December 31, 2020 (Director of Finance)

Kristine Polian, Director of Finance, presented the report

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

John Baumgartner – I think we've seen on social media, questions about Butler/Turner and our schedule on when we hope to open that to traffic. We're still shooting for the end of April. There's a couple of water connections that need to be made. As you may know, there's a 24-inch water line that we replaced, so the old connections are still on the old line. That work has to be done by Gifford Hill, that's scheduled for this week. Then they will fill in the two remaining paving spots on it, again shooting for opening to traffic by end of the month in April. Then, on the bond program drainage projects, The Oaks of Clear Creek Deer Ridge Overland Flow Project, we hope to have that on the May 11 meeting for council consideration of award of bid. The Trail Wayfinding, hope to have that also on a council agenda for May 11, and then the Hometown Heroes 5K Loop and East Side Dog Park, hope to have that before council in May for award. A couple of other announcements. All Clear Creek and Dickinson ISD parents are invited to participate and to attend a safety workshop this Saturday, April 17, presented by League City Police Department. The workshop is entitled Cyber Safe Parenting 101. It's from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center. Officers from League City Police Department will be joined by representatives from the Center for Missing and Exploited Children to provide information on the most common apps, games and social media channels kids are using and how predators can use these platforms to lure children and teens. The workshop is free and is open to all parents and caregivers. For more information or to reserve a spot, visit www.LeagueCity.com. League City Animal Care is hosting a Paw-ty and Pet Fest to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the Animal Care and Adoption Center. The festivities will be Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the new facility, located at 755 West Walker.

The event will include pet-related vendors and demonstrations, free microchipping, reduced cost vaccinations, a pet resale shop, and of course birthday cake for both humans and pets. Also, on Saturday, April 24, we will be officially naming the basketball courts located at League Park in honor of the Lenox Family and contributions they made to Clear Creek High School Basketball Program. Fans of the Clear Creek High School Basketball Program and friends and members of the Lenox Family are invited to the 10 a.m. at League Park. Again, that's April 24. And then, just to reintroduce the Telecommunicator Week. This week is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, and here in League City we are celebrating the men and women who serve our city as 9-1-1 operators. The dispatch center is located at LCPD and has created a whole week of activities to celebrate our telecommunicators. Their daily lifesaving efforts create a better and safer community for all of us. We're going to take a look at a short video we've created. I think all of our telecommunicators have left, but just want to express my appreciation for what they do, as the first contact many people have with our police department in emergency situations and they do a tremendous job for us and I appreciate that and I'm sure the community does too. (Video Plays)

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Millican, to approve the Consent Agenda Items 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. 21-0187 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the submittal of three separate grant applications (Fire Department Training, Volunteer Firefighter Insurance, and Fire Department Equipment) for the Texas Forest Service Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistant Program HB2604 and HB3367 (Fire Chief)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2021-52

- 9B. 21-0207 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing the City of League City to apply for designation as a Bee City USA affiliate (Executive Director of Development Services)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2021-53

- 9C. 21-0212 Consider and take action on a resolution consenting to the sale and issuance of Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 for the Galveston County Municipal Utility District 39 in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 (Director of Finance)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2021-54

- 9D. 21-0201 Consider and take action on a resolution consenting to the sale and issuance of Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (the "Bonds") for the Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 43 in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 (Director of Finance)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2021-55

- 9E. 21-0214 Consider and take action on a resolution consenting to the sale and issuance of Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021 (the "Bonds") for the Galveston County Municipal Utility District No. 44 in an amount not to exceed \$3,300,000 (Director of Finance)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2021-56

- 9F. 21-0185 Consider and take action to excuse absences (City Secretary)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

10. OLD BUSINESS

- 10A. 21-0181 Consider and take action on an Ordinance 2021-11 amending Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, Texas entitled "Traffic and Vehicles" by amending Article XI, entitled "Motorized Carts" to update various provisions to be consistent with state law - Second Reading (City Attorney)

Council approved first reading, 6-1-0, with one member absent on 3/23/21.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Ordinance No, 2021-11 amending Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, Texas entitled "Traffic and Vehicles" by amending Article XI, entitled "Motorized Carts" to update various provisions to be consistent with state law on Second Reading . The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

- 10B. 21-0203 Consider and take action on a resolution directing city staff to add a project to the FY2021 Capital Improvement Plan that would install a right turn lane at the intersection of Calder Road and FM517 (Mayor Pro Tem Dugie and Council Member Bowen)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Resolution No. 2021-57 directing city staff to add a project to the FY2021 Capital Improvement Plan that would install a right turn lane at the intersection of Calder Road and FM 517. 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

11. NEW BUSINESS

- 11A. 21-0206** Consider and take action on a resolution creating the League City Sunset Commission and appointing initial members to the commission (Council Member Mann, Council Member Bowen and Council Member Long)

A motion was made by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Resolution No. 2021-58 creating the League City Sunset Commission and appointing initial members to the commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Mann, to call the question. The motion failed by the following vote:

For: 5 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 3 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Millican and Mr. Long

A motion was made by Mayor Hallisey, seconded by Mr. Mann, to amend the item to remove all reference to departments. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mr. Millican

The original motion, as amended, passed by the following vote:

For: 5 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks and Mr. Long

Opposed: 3 - Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican and Mr. Tressler

- 11B. 21-0223** Consider and take action to authorize the City Manager to issue a conditioned drilling permit for Tidwell #2 drill site, southwest of the Brittany Lakes Subdivision, east of Bay Area Boulevard and west of Landing Boulevard, in accordance with Chapter 42, Article III of the League City Code of Ordinances, entitled Oil and Gas Well Drilling (Executive Director of Development Services)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Mann, to approve the request with the existing variances for the Tidwell #1 project as well as the variance to Section 42-139b, Illicit Discharges, subject to the conditions recommended by staff but without the variance to Section 42-134d regarding distancing and setbacks.

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to call the question. The motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Hicks and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 2 - Mr. Millican and Mr. Long

The original motion passed by the following vote:

For: 6 - Mayor Hallisey, Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Hicks, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long

Opposed: 2 - Mr. Millican and Mr. Bowen

- 11C. 21-0218 Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an interlocal agreement with the City of Webster regarding the funding and project management of the North Landing Extension Project (Executive Director of Development)

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to postpone Items 11C and 12A. 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**

- 12A. 21-0211 Consider and take action on an ordinance authorizing a boundary adjustment agreement with the City of Webster so that 49.14 acres of land, which is located in Webster, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of League City and so that 11.54 acres of land, which is located in League City, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of Webster (Executive Director of Development)

Staff requests approval on first and final reading.

Postponed

- 12B. 21-0188 Consider and take action on an ordinance authorizing a boundary adjustment agreement with the City of Friendswood so that 26.921 acres of land, which is located in League City, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of Friendswood (Executive Director of Development)

Staff request approval on first and final reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-12 authorizing a boundary adjustment agreement with the City of Friendswood so that 26.921 acres of land, which is located in League City, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of Friendswood. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-12 on First and Final Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

- 12C. 21-0220 Consider and take action on an ordinance authorizing a boundary adjustment agreement with the City of Friendswood so that 0.0576 acres of land, which is located in League City, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of Friendswood (Executive Director of Development)

Staff request approval on first and final reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Bowen, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-13 authorizing a boundary adjustment agreement with the City of Friendswood so that 0.0576 acres of land, which is located in League City, Texas and has a width of less than 1,000 feet, will be located in the city limits of Friendswood. The motion passed by the following

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

Opposed: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Bowen, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-13 on First and Final Reading. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Opposed: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

- 12D. 21-0225 Consider and take action on an ordinance amending the City of League City, Texas, Governmental, Proprietary, and Capital Funds Budget for Fiscal Year 2020 by amending Ordinance No. 2019-24, Ordinance No. 2020-13, Ordinance No. 2020-18 and Ordinance No. 2020-27 to adjust the operating and capital budget for actual and projected expenditures (Director of Budget & Project Management)

Staff requests first and final reading.

Pulled

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

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

At 9:00 p.m. Mayor Hallisey announced an executive session would be held to discuss the following items:

- 14A. 21-0183 Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.072 Government Code - Deliberations about real property

Discuss potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Budget & Project Management)

- 14B. 21-0194 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)

14C. 21-0198 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 Auditor (Interim Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

14D. 21-0213 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 Attorney (Interim Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

At 9:30 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 concluded.

15. ACTION ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)

15A. 21-0184 Consider and take action on discussion concerning potential purchase or sale of real property interests (Director of Budget & Project Management)
No Action

15B. 21-0195 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)
No Action

15C. 21-0199 Consider and take action on discussion regarding the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Auditor (Interim Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve the goals 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

15D. 21-0217 Consider and take action on discussion regarding the employment, appointment or evaluation of a public officer or employee, to-wit: City Attorney (Interim Director of Human Resources and Civil Service)

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve the goals 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

A motion was made by Mr. Dugie, seconded by Mr. Tressler, to approve a 2.5% salary increase. 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 9:35 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: