



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Monday, June 11, 2018

6:00 PM

Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center
400 West Walker Street

Special Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of League City, Texas, met in a special 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:

**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

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 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of council were present except Mr. Dugie. Mr. Gross left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY**

Julia Novak, President of Novak Consulting Group, and Bo Bass, Assistant City Manager presented the draft Strategic Plan and led the discussion.

VISION – “League City...the best place to live, work and play”

MISSION - “Providing extraordinary SERVICE to create and sustain a historic, dynamic, and prosperous community.”

VALUES – “SERVICE”

SUSTAINABILITY

optimizing available resources to maintain and improve quality of life

EXCELLENCE

reflecting who we are, our values, and our distinctive performance by consistently surpassing expectations

RESPECT

appreciating, valuing, recognizing and caring about what our team and community has to offer

VALUE-DRIVEN

exhibiting a high degree of stewardship and accountability

INTEGRITY

doing what is ethically and morally correct because it’s the right thing to do

CUSTOMER-FOCUSED

accessible and responsive to customer needs according to our values with a focus on what is best for all

ENGAGED

communicating effectively with external and internal stakeholders to create an environment of trust and collaboration

8 CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

- 1. Develop and Maintain our Infrastructure**
- 2. Financially Sustainable**
- 3. Safe and Desirable Community**
- 4. Quality Community Amenities**
- 5. Trained, Committed and Valued Workforce**
- 6. Engaged Residents**
- 7. Economic Development and Tourism**
- 8. Quality-Built Environment**

11 PRIORITY INITIATIVES

- 1. Secure water supply for buildout and implement Water Master Plan**
- 2. Continue to refine and utilize the Master Mobility Plan so as to improve traffic flow**
- 3. Develop a long-term financial plan to reduce tax and debt burden on residential property owners**
- 4. Maintain emergency response times in support of a safe and desirable community**
- 5. Focus on acquisition of new land and development of existing land for facilities, recreation programming, and trails as outlined in the Parks Master Plan**
- 6. Explore and create opportunities for development along Clear Creek, as well as utilization of detention, retention and drainage easements**
- 7. Build a new animal shelter as approved by Council with a focus on increasing community involvement through volunteerism, outreach, and education**
- 8. Enhance the employee recognition program that includes incentivizing staff innovation and recognizing "S.E.R.V.I.C.E." values**
- 9. Develop a Citizen Survey**
- 10. Continue to identify and target potential investors and partners to create entertainment venues by offering a fast-track process and economic development incentives**
- 11. Implement comprehensive enhanced development standards that address aesthetics, flood risk, site planning, and energy {LEED}**

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #1 - Develop and Maintain our Infrastructure**Initiative #1: Secure water supply for buildout and implement Water Master Plan**

- A. Adopt Water and Sewer Master Plan**
- B. Finalize raw water supply agreement with City of Houston**
- C. Access Water Master Plan re: irrigation controllers and update Building Code to include smart irrigation controllers (residential and commercial)**
- D. Develop ordinance for irrigation management plan**
- E. Continue with supplemental solutions (Water Well #1 Development)**
- F. Finalize water line agreement with City of Houston**
- G. Prioritize initiatives identified in the Water Master Plan**
- H. Update Water and Sewer Long-Range Financial Plan and Rate Study**
- I. Prioritize projects in the Master Mobility Plan and include in the CIP development process**
- J. Add approved projects to action plan**
- K. Continue with supplemental solutions (Water Well #2 Development)**
- L. Negotiate agreement with City of Houston to develop timeline for expansion of plant**
- M. Continue with supplemental solutions (Water Well #3 Development)**

Initiative #2: Continue to refine and utilize the Master Mobility Plan so as to improve traffic flow

- A. Submit TIP application for Palomino Bridge project**
- B. Request funding for additional ROW acquisition position**
- C. Adopt Master Mobility Plan**
- D. Prioritize initiatives identified in the Master Mobility Plan (with citizen committee)**
- E. Schedule and implement Master Mobility Plan projects via the CIP process**
- F. Implement Palomino Bridge project**
- G. Conduct City-wide (collectors and above) traffic counts – every two years**
- H. Implement identified short-term improvements for traffic safety and efficiency**
- I. Implement North Landing Blvd. project**
- J. Add approved projects to Strategic Planning Action Plan subject to funding**
- K. Determine funding sources for projects**

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #2 - Financially Sustainable

Initiative #3: Develop a long-term financial plan to reduce tax and debt burden on residential property owners

- A. Propose electricity consumption tax and evaluate feasibility of reduction to proportionally cut property taxes**
- B. Propose engineering inspection fee updates to recover engineering costs associated with development and to proportionally cut property taxes**
- C. Propose building, planning, and zoning fee updates to recover full costs (overall) and to proportionally cut property taxes**
- D. Propose drainage utility fee and proportionally cut property taxes**
- E. Present proposed budget at the effective tax rate**
- F. Propose 1/4 cent sales tax for General Fund activities and explore the feasibility to proportionally cut property taxes**
- G. Hold General Obligation bond election for roadways, drainage, facilities (including natatorium), arts, and parks based on input from citizen committee for improvements without dedicated funding sources**

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #3 - Safe and Desirable Community

Initiative #4: Maintain emergency response times in support of a safe and desirable community

- A. Initiate referral program for City employees who refer successful Police Officer candidates**
- B. Conduct call load analysis to ensure call loads are evenly distributed across beats and rebalance beats accordingly**
- C. Initiate referral program for City employees who refer successful volunteer Fire Fighter candidates**
- D. Request funding to fully staff peak demand ambulance (equipment and staffing)**
- E. Analyze Variable Staffing Models**
- F. Determine most efficient resource deployment approach (beats, schedule, etc.)**
- G. Request funding to expand stipend program for enhanced staffing at volunteer fire**

stations

H. Build Fire Station 6 & 7 as development progresses

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #4 - Quality Community Amenities

Initiative #5: Focus on acquisition of new land and development of existing land for facilities, recreation programming, and trails as outlined in the Parks Master Plan

- A. Prioritize individual initiatives and/or projects identified in Parks Master Plan**
- B. Develop CIP program for project implementation**
- C. Promote League City as a regional, state and national venue for athletic tournaments, entertainment and scholastic events**
- D. Determine funding source - new projects**

Initiative #6: Explore and create opportunities for development along Clear Creek, as well as utilization of detention, retention and drainage easements

- A. Complete construction of FM 270 Boat Ramp Renovation Project**
- B. Identify additional canoe/kayak launch sites recommended in the Parks Master Plan to be implemented in CIP process**
- C. Update Park Ordinance to provide park fee and land credit to developers for drainage facilities projects**
- D. Work with developers to bring water access features to future projects**
- E. Determine funding source for new projects**

Initiative #7: Build a new animal shelter as approved by Council with a focus on increasing community involvement through volunteerism, outreach, and education

- A. Develop design**
- B. Solicit construction bids**
- C. Award construction contract**
- D. Develop community programming plan**
- E. Determine additional sponsorship opportunities**
- F. Complete construction**

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #5 - Trained, Committed and Value Workforce

Initiative #8 Enhance the employee recognition program that includes incentivizing staff innovation and recognizing “S.E.R.V.I.C.E.” values

- A. Initiate employee newsletter**
- B. Contact cities that have implemented online employee recognition tool to learn best practices**
- C. Implement employee recognition online tool**
- D. Create employee S.E.R.V.I.C.E. 11 values award committee**

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #6 - Engage Residents

Initiative #9 Develop a Citizen Survey

- A. Develop a Citizen Survey
- B. Form of a General Obligation (GO) Bond Committee with a citywide open application process
- C. Host Town Hall Meetings
- D. Revamp format and distribution of City Matters newsletter

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #7 - Economic Development and Tourism

Initiative #10 Continue to identify and target potential investors and partners to create entertainment venues by offering a fast-track process and economic development incentives

- A. Complete punch list of items required for the proposed House Bill 2445 Project
- B. Promote proposed House Bill 2445 Project in League City and engage the public
- C. Structure initial offer for destination hotelier
- D. Reach out to destination hotelier Developers
- E. Complete House Bill 2445 Project financial and market feasibility study
- F. Complete the House Bill 2445 Project development agreement for Council's consideration/approval
- G. Formulate a City brand strategy and fasttrack plan
- H. Implement development review process

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTOR #8 - Quality-Built Environment

Initiative #11 Implement comprehensive enhanced development standards that address aesthetics, flood risk, site planning, and energy (LEED)

- A. Explore implementation of solar streetlights for new development
- B. Adopt 2015 Building Codes including Energy Code
- C. Update Subdivision Development Code {and include vehicle charging stations}
- D. Update tree ordinance
- E. Update drainage ordinance
- F. Update City Code to address alternative energy sources
- G. Explore grant/partnership opportunities for vehicle charging stations

NEXT STEPS

Wednesday, June 20, 2018 – Town Hall Meeting

Tuesday, July 12, 2018 – Proposed Strategic Plan on Council Agenda for Approval

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:31 p.m., there being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

PAT HALLISEY
MAYOR

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: September 25, 2018