



City of League City, TX

300 West Walker
League City TX 77573

Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, November 24, 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 Kinsey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and called the roll. All members of Council were present except Mayor Pat Hallisey. Mr. Millican attended via videoconference call.

Absent 1 - Mayor Pat Hallisey

Present 7 - Mr. Andy Mann, Mr. Hank Dugie, Mr. Larry Millican, Mr. Todd Kinsey, Mr. Greg Gripon, 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 Rabbi Yitzi Schmukler of Chabad of the Bay Area. Mayor Pro Tem Kinsey led in the pledges of allegiance to the flags.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

4A. [20-0555](#) Recognition of outgoing Council Member Greg Gripon (City Secretary)

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

4B. [20-0561](#) Report from Emergency Turnaround Task Force (Mayor Hallisey)

The report was given by Scott Livingston, member of the task force.

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.

Citizens appearing in person:

NAME	SUBJECT
Michael Munro	Storm Drain Damage Follow Up

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

Dilan Freeman	Mayor Pro Tem
Mary Bentley	Mayor Pro Tem
Stephan Vigil	Hank Dugie - Mayor Pro Tem
Thomas Brinsko	Mayor Pro Tem - Hank Dugie
Kyle Buckmaster	Mayor Pro Tem
Charlie Stegmoeller	Hank Dugie for Mayor Pro Tem
Gina Spagnola	Mayor Pro Tem Nomination
Julie Brightwell	City Council Meeting 11 24 20
Mary Brinsko	Mayor Pro Tem – Hank Dugie
Sherril Burwell	Hank Dugie for Mayor Pro Tem
Diana Lawless	Mayor Pro Tem Selection
Jason Tabor	Mayor Pro Tem Appointment
Susan Baggerman	Hank Dugie for Mayor Pro Tem
Mike Hembree	Agenda Item 11A – Mayor Pro Tem Selection
April Freeman	Mayor Pro Tem

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.

Hank Dugie - Thank you sir. First and foremost, thank you everyone for sending your comments. That was unexpected and just a joy to hear. Secondly, Thanksgiving coming up this week. I want to wish everybody a very Happy Thanksgiving. Be safe. I always encourage you to get tested for COVID. If you are showing symptoms or are sick, stay safe, try to stay home, but for everyone else I encourage you to be with family, be with your loved ones, have a good time. But we have to be responsible with how we celebrate this holiday season.

I was able to officiate a wedding over the weekend for two of my dear friends, Austin and Colby LaFloy. I want to wish them well on their honeymoon, they're down in Mexico. I'm sure they're not listening in to this meeting, but if they are, congratulations and thank you for letting me be part of your big day. Pat and Janice, we're all pulling for you, we're all praying for you. This entire city loves you and appreciates all that you've done for us. We're here for you, if there's anything you need, just let us know. Thank you.

Larry Millican – No comments.

Greg Gripon – I did have one more comment. I'm going to keep it short. I just want to thank my wife, putting up with me being on council for four years, and putting you through that. Thank you, that's all.

Chad Tressler – No comments.

Nick Long – No comments.

Andy Mann – I will yield my time after wishing Pat and Janice a speedy recovery. Last week I was in California, just real quickly, it was really beautiful out there, but I'm very thankful to be a part of the City of League City and this community. No matter how rough things get this year, I don't there are many places you'd rather ride 2020 out than our fine city. Thank you.

Nick Long –I forgot to mention, congratulations to Andy and Susan Mann. Wonderful wedding. It took place in League City, and that's why he was cruising the Pacific Coast highway. Fantastic, and congratulations.

Todd Kinsey – I'll also echo those sentiments. It was a great wedding, a great location, a historic church. It really was beautiful. I want to wish Pat and Janice Godspeed as well. As everybody else said, anything you need, just let us know and we'll make it happen. I do want to let everybody know that the library will close at 2 p.m. on Wednesday and will re-open at its regular time on Monday. And with that I will wish everybody a happy Thanksgiving and move on.

8. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

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

John Baumgartner – I’ve had the pleasure to talk with Pat and Janice every day since Pat went into the hospital. Pat wants to first apologize that he couldn’t be here. It means a lot to him to be part of the council meetings. He regrets not being able to call in or phone in. He has expressed to me a couple of times that COVID is the real deal. He is still confident that he is going to be able to overcome it. He’s still having a tough fight. For him and Janice, being apart, being separated. Pat’s on isolation, Janice may as well be on isolation. She can see people through her window and pick up stuff at her front door. They both continue to fight it alone to some extent. Pat today struggled a little bit. Typically, he’ll see my call and either pick it up immediately or call me back. I didn’t get a call back from him until 10 or 11 today. I certainly can hear the labor in his voice, but he is confident he will whip COVID. Again, I think I’ve said it in my e-mails, but to remind everybody, COVID is the real deal. Practice your social distancing and your masks and pray for a vaccination to be with us soon so nobody else has to go through the same thing. Pat has a passion for the council and regrets not being here and wanted to wish everybody a Happy Thanksgiving for those of you who don’t have to endure the isolation that he has. A couple of just minor comments, the Bayridge Flood Reduction Phase I, there’s a public meeting December 2 at 6 p.m. at the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center. Upcoming on December 8, we’ll have four new projects under design and a construction award for our third street and traffic project. It is a signal and left turn lanes at League City Parkway in Brittany Lakes at Finnegan. That’s the fourth bond project overall, so they’re starting to come in one or two a month. Thanksgiving closures, most of the city offices will close at 1:30 tomorrow and then will remain closed for Thanksgiving holiday until Monday the 30th. That includes, City Hall, City Hall Annex, Hometown Heroes, Recreation Center, Municipal Court. There will be no trash collection Thursday, November 26, Thanksgiving, but regularly scheduled trash pickup for Friday and Saturday will occur. If you’re a Thursday customer, you won’t get service until Monday. We like to give our trash folks the opportunity to enjoy their families at home. We’ve had a few changes, I encourage everybody to continue to watch the website. We have rain scheduled this weekend. Several inches are predicted for Saturday. For that reason, we’re moving the city’s official holiday tree lighting to Sunday, November 29 at 6 p.m. at the newly renovated League Park. The city’s annual tree lighting is moving from in front of the Helen Hall Library to League Park in order to provide for more social distancing and enhance safety. Masks will be required to attend. We’re encouraging folks to bring an unwrapped toy, as Scott mentioned, for Interfaith Caring Ministries. Attendees will receive our free commemorative ornament. I think it is the third one. If you’ve been to the tree lightings, you’ve got red and blue and then this year is gold. As Scott talked about, the Shop Small Holiday Campaign. Finally, last week, we kicked off our League City Shop Small Holiday Campaign to encourage residents and visitors in our city to shop our locally owned and operated businesses. We have a short video describing the campaign, so let’s take a look at that. (Video Plays) If you’re planning on attending, please look at our social media sites as well as the website to see if stuff gets updated or rescheduled depending on how much rain we get. Obviously, we don’t want to move stuff, but we want to be prepared if the weather changes.

- 8A. [20-0560](#) Presentation of the Investment Report of the City of League City for the quarter ended June 30, 2020 (Director of Finance)

The report was presented by Kristine Polian, Director of Finance.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

Absent: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

- 9A. [20-0553](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a two-year contract renewal with DBS Texas-Houston for recreation program shirts and uniforms in an amount not to exceed \$179,881.76 (Director of Parks & Cultural Services)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-175

- 9B. [20-0556](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a three (3) year agreement with Galls, LLC for uniforms and accessories for various departments in an amount not to exceed \$816,690.00 (Chief of Police)

Approved on the Consent Agenda - Resolution No. 2020-176

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

- 10A. [20-0563](#) Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with Gauge Engineering, LLC. for design work related to the Leisure Lane & Orange Grove Area Drainage Study (DR2102) in an amount not to exceed \$104,905 (Director of Engineering)

Council postponed 7-1-0 on November 10, 2020.

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Long, to approve Resolution No. 2020-177 authorizing a professional services agreement with Gauge Engineering, LLC. for design work related to the Leisure Lane & Orange Grove Area Drainage Study (DR2102) in an amount not to exceed \$104,905. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

11. NEW BUSINESS**11A. 20-0552**

Consider and take action on the selection of Mayor Pro Tem (City Secretary)

A motion was made by Mr. Gripon, seconded by Mr. Millican, nominating Hank Dugie for Mayo Pro Tem.

A motion was made by Mr. Mann to nominate Todd Kinsey.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Long, to postpone to the December 8 meeting. City Attorney Nghiem Doan advised that does not satisfy the Charter requirement. Mayor Pro Tem Kinsey retracted the motion.

A motion to amend was made by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Mann, to nominate Mayor Pro Tem Kinsey. The motion to amend failed by the following vote:

For: 3 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Kinsey and Mr. Long

Opposed: 4 - Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Absent: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

The motion by Mr. Gripon to select Hank Dugie as Mayor Pro Tem passed by the following vote:

For: 5 - Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon and Mr. Tressler

Opposed: 2 - Mr. Mann and Mr. Long

Absent: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

11B. 20-0541

Consider and take action on a resolution confirming various members to the Main Street Beautification Project Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee (Mayor Hallisey)

A motion was made by Mr. Tressler, seconded by Mr. Dugie, to approve Resolution No. 2020-178 confirming various members to the Main Street Beautification Project Ad Hoc Advisory Committee.

Mayor's Appointees:

Kevin Kiersh

A.L. Luprete

Luanne Edelman

Marcus Michna

Steve Pratt

Nick Alviri

Lynn Davis

David Hoover, Staff Liaison (not a board member)

The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Mayor Hallisey

- 11C. [20-0567](#) Consider and take action on a resolution approving a CIP Project Delivery Employee Recognition Program (City Manager)
- A motion was made by Mr. Kinsey, seconded by Mr. Mann, to approve Resolution No. 2020-179 approving a CIP Project Delivery Employee Recognition Program. The motion passed by the following vote:**
- For:** 7 - Mr. Mann, Mr. Dugie, Mr. Millican, Mr. Kinsey, Mr. Gripon, Mr. Tressler and Mr. Long
- Absent:** 1 - Mayor Hallisey

12. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 12A. [20-0566](#) Consider and take action on an ordinance amending Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, entitled "Traffic and Vehicles" to update various provisions related to Article IX, entitled "Motorized Carts" (City Attorney)
- Pulled by Staff**

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

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

Executive Session was pulled.

- 14A. [20-0564](#) 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)

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

- 15A. [20-0565](#) 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)
- Pulled**

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:23 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Kinsey said, there being no further business this meeting is adjourned.

TODD KINSEY
MAYOR PRO TEM

DIANA M. STAPP
CITY SECRETARY

(SEAL)

MINUTES APPROVED: January 12, 2021