

Minutes
White Settlement City Council
Regular Meeting



City Hall
214 Meadow Park Drive
White Settlement, Texas

March 2, 2021
7:00 PM

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THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor White called the open meeting to order at 7:00 PM announcing a quorum of council members present as follows:

Council Member Moore,
Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock,
Council Member Munoz,
Council Member Grudzinski, and
Council Member Geesa

Executive Staff present included City Manager Jeffrey J. James, City Secretary Amy Arnold, and City Attorney Drew Larkin. Other staff present included Executive Administrative Assistant Ann Elias, Community Services Director Rich Tharp, Finance Director Krystal Crump (Foght), Building Official Robert Nunley, Police Chief J. Bevering, Assistant Police Chief T. Denison, City Marshal M. Wilson, City Marshal R. Rogers, and Communications Manager Aaron Hall.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor White offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Prior to acknowledging speakers, Mayor White made the following statement: *The purpose of this item is to allow citizens an opportunity to address the City Council on items that are not listed on the agenda, as well as any consent agenda, executive session, or workshop items. Any person desiring to make a public comment must first fill out a speaker request form, and be recognized by the presiding officer. Individual citizen comments are limited to three minutes. The City Council has no obligation to respond in any manner to comments or questions from the public. Any response from a member of the City Council to comments on items not listed on the agenda is limited to a statement of specific factual information, a recitation of existing policy, or direction to staff to place the subject on the agenda for a future City Council meeting.*

Scott Evans of 805 Perry Drive addressed the City Council making comments regarding his interaction with City Marshal Melvin Wilson. Mr. Evans also made comments regarding residential screening code concerns listing areas he noted as out of compliance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor White announced City Council will convene in Executive Session at 7:08 PM after first reading the following statement:

Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene into Executive Session to deliberate regarding the following matters:

- 1) Legal matters pertaining to rezoning of Planned Developments

Mayor White announced City Council is reconvened from Executive Session at 7:33 PM. No action was taken.

PRESENTATIONS

The following presentations were heard (*reports will be attached to final approved minutes*):

- 2) Presentation by Halff & Associates / NewGen Strategies & Solutions on the 2020 Stormwater Utility Rate Study.
- 3) Presentation of City Manager After Action Report regarding the winter storm events of the week of February 15, 2021.
- 4) Presentation by City Manager announcing the retirement of the Chief of the White Settlement Fire Department.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Geesa made a motion to approve items on the consent agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Approval of consent agenda items included the following:

- 5) Approval of City Council meeting minutes:
 - a. February 2, 2021
- 6) Approval of appointments to the Wholesale Water and Wastewater Customer Advisory Board, appointing Finance Director Krystal Crump as Voting Member and Interim Public Works Director Jeff Ray as Alternate Member.
- 7) Acknowledge receipt of Monthly Financial Statements for FY 20-21 as of January 31, 2021

DELIBERATION AGENDA

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

- 8) Hold a Public Hearing and consider a request to rezone Lots 1 – 3, Block 1 of the Parkview Villas Addition from Planned Development (P-D) to Commercial Corridor (C-C).

Building Official Robert Nunley presented the item noting current location and zoning as well as the requested rezoning explaining the owner requests to rezone in order to facilitate the sale of the property. Mr. Nunley noted the item was presented to P&Z with a 3 to 2 vote in favor. The property owner was not present.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 8:55 PM. No speakers were heard. Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 8:56 PM.

Council Member Moore made a motion to deny the request. Council Member Geesa seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

- 9) Hold a Public Hearing and consider a re-plat for Benjamin F. Wickson Survey, Abstract 1673, Tract 2C, more commonly known as 601 S. Jim Wright Freeway.

Building Official Robert Nunley presented the item stating staff has reviewed with no foreseen issues and recommends approval. Mr. Nunley noted the SUP previously requested had been approved.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 8:59 PM. No speakers were heard. Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 9:00 PM.

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock made a motion to approve the replat as presented. Council Member Grudzinski seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL

- 10) Discuss and consider Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Proposed Budget Calendar, accepting meeting dates and confirming attendance by roll-call vote.

Finance Director Krystal Crump (Foght) presented the item expressing the importance of member attendance and the need for the meetings.

After a brief discussion, **Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock made a motion to approve the proposed budget calendar as presented. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried the motion unanimously as follows:**

Council Member Moore	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock	Aye
Council Member Munoz	Aye
Council Member Grudzinski	Aye
Council Member Geesa	Aye

- 11) Consider and adopt a resolution directing publication of notice of intention to issue Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation for water and wastewater system improvements and street projects.

Finance Director Krystal Crump (Foght) presented the item explaining the need listing specific areas of concern and projects.

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock made a motion to approve a RESOLUTION DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION for water and wastewater system improvements and street projects. Council Member Munoz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 12) Hold a Public Hearing on selection of the 47th Year CDBG Project, for the replacement of the Sanitary Sewer Main at the 9100 block of Rowland Street.

Community Services Director Rich Tharp presented the item explaining the proposed project including the location. Mr. Tharp noted the item is a continuation of a repair project to complete the replacement of the line. Mr. Tharp also stated the following agenda item will be to approve as this item is for the Public Hearing only which meets CDBG grant application requirements.

Mayor White opened the Public Hearing at 9:15 PM. No speakers were heard. Mayor White closed the Public Hearing at 9:16 PM.

13) Discuss and consider a resolution selecting the 47th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project for the replacement of the Sanitary Sewer Main at the 9100 block of Rowland Street.

Community Services Director Rich Tharp explained the item is to take action to select the project as previously presented for the 47th Year CDBG.

Council Member Moore made a motion to approve the resolution selecting the 47th Year CDBG Project for the replacement of the Sanitary Sewer Main at the 9100 block of Rowland Street. Council Member Geesa seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION

14) Call a special workshop to be held Thursday, March 4, 2021, beginning at 6:30 PM to discuss responses to the winter storm events including:

- a) Options for water utility customer credits in response to the winter storm events; and
- b) Recommendations of the City Manager as mentioned in his After-Action Report.

City Manager Jeff James explained the need to hold a workshop in response to the After Action Report presented in order to discuss and take any action necessary.

Mayor Pro Tem Spurlock requested City Manager Jeff James include an option to disregard the February winter quarter average in options he is preparing for the workshop. Mr. James stated he would include.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further discussion, Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 9:23 pm.

Approved this 6th day of April, 2021.


Ronald A. White, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amy Arnold, City Secretary

