

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 19th DAY OF JULY 2022, IN THE CITY HALL, LOCATED AT 1212 AVENUE M, IN THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, COUNTY OF WALKER, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M.

The Council met in a workshop and regular session with the following:

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Brauninger, Mayor Pro Tem Humphrey, Councilmember Ward 1 Beebe, Councilmember At-Large Position 1 Lyle, Councilmember At-Large Position 2 Mullins, Councilmember Ward 3 Massey, Councilmember At-Large Position 3 McKenzie, Councilmember Ward 4 Strong, Councilmember At-Large Position 4 Graham

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Mullins

OFFICERS PRESENT: Aron Kulhavy, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

WORKSHOP (5:00 P.M.)

- a. Budget presentation for FY 22-23 Budget
Steve Ritter, Finance Director

MAIN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

CALL TO ORDER (6:00 p.m.)

Mayor Brauninger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES - U.S. Flag and Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one, and indivisible.

Councilmember Bert Lyle gave the invocation and pledges were led by Mayor Brauninger.

PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Public hearing to hear comments on the City's intent to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice for the FY 2022 Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Walker County.
Steve Ritter, Finance Director

Mayor Brauninger opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m.

No Public comments were heard in support of or in opposition of the City's intent to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice for the FY 2022 Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program and to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Walker County.

Mayor Brauninger closed the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

The presiding officer will call for public comments before action is taken on these items. (Approval of Consent Agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendations. An item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion by request of a member of Council.)

- a. Consider approving the Minutes from the July 5, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary**
- b. Consider approving the 2022 Election Services Contract and Joint Election Agreement with Walker County for the November 8, 2022, General Election, for the purpose of electing four (4) Council-at-Large Councilmembers to serve two-year terms.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary**
- c. Consider adopting Ordinance No. 2022-20 Ordering a Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2022, General Election to elect four (4) Council-at-Large Councilmember positions to serve two-year terms.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary**

Councilmember Daiquiri Beebe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items a, b, and c. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vicki McKenzie. The motion passed 8-0. Yes - Andy Brauning, Russell Humphrey, Daiquiri Beebe, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle; No – None.

Councilmember Deandra (Dee) Mullins arrived at 6:06 p.m.

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. Consider authorizing the City Manager to apply for the U.S. Department of Justice – FY 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Walker County, and adopt Resolution 2022-21 in support of the same.
Steve Ritter, Finance Director**

Councilmember Russell Humphrey made a motion to authorize the City Manager to apply for the U.S. Department of Justice – FY 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Walker County, and adopt Resolution 2022-21 in support of the same. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauning, Russell Humphrey, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle; Daiquiri Beebe, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No – None

- b. Consider adopting Resolution No. 2022-22 - Adopting a Proclamation Policy Kristy Doll, City Secretary**

Councilmember Daiquiri Beebe made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-22 - Adopting a Proclamation Policy. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vicki McKenzie. The motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauninger, Russell Humphrey, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle; Daiquiri Beebe, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No – None

Councilmember Mullins made a motion to amend the main motion to include the words “Walker County” in the policy under the first bullet point. The motion dies for lack of second.

- c. FIRST READING: Consider adopting Ordinance No. 2022-21 to suspend the effective date on the proposed Entergy base rate increase of 11.2% by an additional 90 days.**

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Councilmember Russell Humphrey made a motion to waive the two reading requirement and adopt Ordinance No. 2022-21 to suspend the effective date on the proposed Entergy base rate increase of 11.2% by an additional 90 days. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauninger, Russell Humphrey, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle; Daiquiri Beebe, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No – None

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

4. REQUESTS FOR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

(An opportunity for citizens to be heard on any topic and for the City Council to participate in the discussion. **No action will be taken.**)

- a. Mr. Paul Antwine - White line by stop signs**

Paul Antwine

Mr. Antwine presented pictures and spoke regarding the white lines by stop signs in the city.

5. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

None

6. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor and Council announced items of community interest.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 to receive legal advice on the proposed TDCJ 2022 Bat Exclusion Project regarding the TDCJ Cotton Warehouse located in the City of Huntsville.**

Russell Humphrey, Mayor Pro Tem Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Council convened into Executive Session at 6:33 p.m.

8. RECONVENE

Take action on item discussed in executive session, if needed.

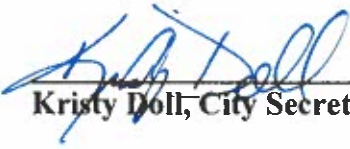
Reconvened from Executive Session into Open Session at 7:25 p.m.

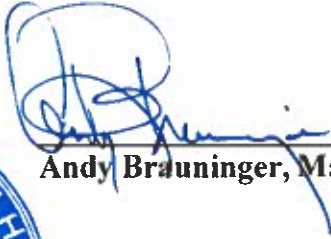
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brauninger adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE


Kristy Doll, City Secretary


Andy Brauninger, Mayor

