

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 4th DAY OF OCTOBER 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: None

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

MAIN SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES.

Councilmember Lyle gave the invocation, and Mayor Brauninger led the pledges.

PROCLAMATION

- a. Proclamation No. 2022-22 - National Chiropractic Health Month
Andy Brauninger, Mayor

Dr. Greg Peter accepted the Proclamation for National Chiropractic Health Month.

PRESENTATION

- a. Recognition of Volunteers who participated in the community build at Eastham-Thomason Park
Andy Brauninger, Mayor

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 the Council.)

- a. Consider approving the Minutes from the September 20, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. Consider approval of continued phone and data services with AT&T through the

**State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) contract.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**

- c. Consider approval of continued annual maintenance with Tyler Technologies for Finance, Public Safety, Utility Billing, and Municipal Court software.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- d. Consider approval of continued phone and data services with Verizon Wireless through the State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) contract.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- e. Consider approval of continued annual maintenance with Onix Networking Corp. for Google Workspace.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- f. Consider approval of the purchase of hardware and services to replace the City's disaster recovery data servers, storage, and network infrastructure.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- g. Consider approval of the annual purchase of PCs due for replacement as per the FY 22/23 computer replacement schedule.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- h. Consider approval of continued annual maintenance with CivicPlus for City Website, HR, City Secretary, and Development Services software.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**
- i. Consider authorizing the City Manager to approve the HGACBUY Contract, #RH08-20 pricing for the purchase of Solid Waste Refuse Commercial Collection Containers.
Brent Sherrod, Public Works Director**
- j. Consider authorizing the City Manager to approve the Additional Services for Engineering for the IH- 45 Segment 2A Widening and Utility Relocation with Betterment Project (Water Fund 701, Wastewater Fund 702) – Project 18-03-01.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**
- k. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Gunda Corporation for the Engineering Service Agreement Amendment for FY 20/21 Sanitary Sewer Project, Project # 21-10-06 – MLK Jr. Blvd.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**
- l. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LJA**

Engineering for professional engineering services for the FY 22-23 University Storm Sewer Replacement Project and the City of Huntsville Engineering Criteria Chapter 6 update.

Kathlie Jeng-Bullock, City Engineer

- m. Consider authorizing the Mayor to abandon, release and quitclaim certain easements situated on property of the Huntsville Independent School District.**

Kathlie Jeng-Bullock, City Engineer

- n. Consider adopting Resolution 2022-25 designating The Huntsville Item as the official newspaper for the City of Huntsville for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

- o. Second Reading - Consider the adoption of Ordinance 2022-27, renaming a segment of Avenue O to "Linda Pease Street".**

Armon Irones, City Planner

- p. Second Reading - Consider the adoption of Ordinance 2022-28, renaming a segment of 12th Street to "James Patton Street."**

Armon Irones, City Planner

Councilmember Daiquiri Beebe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauning, Russell Humphrey, Daiquiri Beebe, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No – None.

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. First Reading - Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with Walker County to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funds for improvements to the Walker County Public Safety Central Communications.**

Aron Kulhavy, City Manager

Councilmember Russell Humphrey made a motion to waive the two reading requirements of the Rules of Procedure and authorize the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with Walker County to allocate American Rescue Plan Act Funds for improvements to the Walker County Public Safety Central Communications. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauning, Russell Humphrey, Daiquiri Beebe, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No – None

- b. First Reading - Consider Ordinance No. 2022 - 32 Denying Entergy Texas, Inc.'s statement of intent and application for authority to change rates filed on July 1, 2022.**

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney
Steve Ritter, Finance Director

First reading - No action necessary

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

- a. **Consider directing the City Manager to prepare an ordinance changing certain parking zones in the downtown district from "two-hour" parking to "three-hour" parking.**

Aron Kulhavy, City Manager

Councilmember Lyle excused himself from the Council Chambers due to a conflict of interest.

Aron Kulhavy, City Manager, stated that he requested the Item on the Agenda at the request of Councilmember Lyle.

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to direct the City Manager to prepare an ordinance changing certain parking zones in the downtown district from "two-hour" parking to "three-hour" parking. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vicki McKenzie.

Mayor Brauning opened the floor for public discussion for citizens that turned in Public Comment Cards to include: Brandi Flowers, Michelle Millie (was not present), Anthony Killingsworth, Justin Killingsworth, Elizabeth Flour.

Councilmember McKenzie made a motion to amend the motion to delay consideration until the Main Street Advisory Board meets to give advice to Council on parking zones in the downtown district. The amended motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The amended motion passed 9-0. Yes - Andy Brauning, Russell Humphrey, Daiquiri Beebe, Vicki McKenzie, Deloris Massey, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Deandra (Dee) Mullins; No - None

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. **Citizens requesting to speak about the Huntsville Public Library.**

Speakers on the Agenda speaking about the Public Library included Christopher Randle.

Speakers requesting to speak on the Public Library by Public Comment Card included: Don Gibeaut, Caleb Jackson, Amanda Louie (was not present), Sibyl Bucheli, Phillip Wadley, Kaylea Haas, Nia Williams, Charity Stewart, Georgie Berry, Michelle Koenig, Lee Lyons, Jeff Gardner, Lauren Lyons, Tore Fossum, Steven Kother, Erin Owens.

- b. **Jason January - Speaking on the spending of taxpayer money**

Mr. January was not present to speak.

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 Library Policies and Employee Handbook for the City of Huntsville.
Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Council convened into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

8. RECONVENE

Council reconvened from Executive Session into Open Session at 9:16 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brauninger adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:16 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE


Kristy Doll, City Secretary




Andy Brauninger, Mayor