

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA  
CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
OF A REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 9TH, 2018

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 512 E. Brazos, West Columbia, Texas.

1. INVOCATION & PLEDGE. Invocation was given by Alderman Walker.
2. ROLL CALL. City Secretary Kuban called the roll of the Council.  
Present: Mayor Kincannon, Aldermen Thomas, Tindol, Maynor, Walker, and Biedenfeld. Also present were City Manager Sutherland and City Secretary Kuban.  
Absent: None.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and reported on H-GAC Bringing Back Mainstreet meeting to be hosted by the city and the successful 4<sup>th</sup> of July Backyard Fireworks event.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: There were none.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported on the following – \*Well No. 4 well house is under construction and the transmission line is being marked. \* Public Works has completed the project on Gray and Loggins and has begun repairs to the Tielke Lift Station. \* City's website is being redesigned by Civic Plus and the current ConnectCTY emergency notification system is being transitioned into the website as Civic Ready. \* Chief Odin has obtained a Humvee high water rescue vehicle from the Federal Surplus and estimates are being sought for the department damages caused during the roof replacement. \* Texas Agriculture Extension Agent is assisting with the algae issue at the First Capitol Park pond and a new aerator has been ordered. \* She recently attended a H-GAC workshop on Buyouts, Acquisitions and Elevations in relation to flooding. \* Army Corps of Engineers has received the city's letter requesting assistance with flood mitigation and a site visit will be scheduled. \* Special meetings are scheduled for budget workshops, awarding bid for CDBG project, and budget public hearing.
6. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S). Minutes were submitted in Council packet.
  - B. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - C. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - D. MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - E. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Report was not submitted in Council packet
  - F. FIRE MARSHAL REPORT. Report was not submitted in Council packet.
  - G. CEMS REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - H. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.Motion was made by Tindol and seconded by Thomas to approve all consent agenda reports. All voted Aye.
7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. CONSIDER ENGAGEMENT OF KENNEMER, MASTERS, & LUNSFORD, LLC FOR 2017/18 ANNUAL AUDIT: Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Tindol to authorize Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford, LLC to conduct the city's 2017/18 annual audit. All voted Aye.

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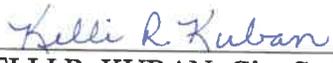
- B. CONSIDER EXTENSION OF SOLID WASTE CONTRACT OR AUTHOIZE THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS: District Manager, Abel Moreno was present to address council and reported that changes had been made regarding drivers and heavy brush schedule. He requested the city approve a one-year extension and waived the average 2.5 CPI increase. Walker made motion to approve the one-year extension of the Waste Connection Solid Waste contract. The motion was seconded by Thomas and all voted Aye.
- C. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR TO CALCULATE AND PUBLISH EFFECTIVE TAX RATE: Motion was made by Biedenfeld and seconded by Tindol to authorize the County Tax Assessor-Collector to calculate and publish the effective tax rate. All voted Aye.
- D. CONSIDER SUBMISSION OF 2018/19 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR REVIEW: Sutherland reported shortages in both the Utility and General Funds that department heads are still working on to present a balanced budget. She stated that painting the elevated water tank was currently included at the estimated cost of \$600,000 just to make council aware of the project needed in the near future. A workshop is scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> and the Public Hearing and workshop for July 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- E. CONSIDER RESOLUTION APPROVING 380 AGREEMENT BETWEEN EDC AND SWEENEY HOSPITAL DISTRICT'S WEST COLUMBIA RURAL HEALTH CLINIC: Scott Briner of Sweeny Hospital District was present to address Council and gave a recap of the prior agreement that was reimbursed and stated the terms of the current agreement were for staffing only. Walker stated there wasn't a solid list of deliverables and requested to send the proposal back to the EDC for further review and requested more deliverables be included such as onsite lab, X-ray, etc. Briner reported that they had hired an additional Nurse Practitioner to fulfill the current terms of the agreement and received designation of a Rural Health Clinic. Biedenfeld made a motion to approve Resolution No. 500 pending any recommendations of additional stipulations. Thomas seconded motion and all voted Aye except Walker who voted Nay. The EDC will meet again on July 11th with the Public Hearing scheduled for July 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- F. CONSIDER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD GRANT APPLICATION: It was discussed that Chief Odin had completed a grant for the purchase of four message signs and hand held radios for emergency management with a pending deadline. Motion was made by Biedenfeld, seconded by Thomas to approve Resolution No. 501 authorizing the submission of Texas Water Development Board Grant application. All voted Aye.
- G. CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK POOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Thomas to nominate Biedenfeld in all positions for TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees. All voted Aye.
10. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 7:39 P.M.

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LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary