

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF WALLER AND HARRIS
CITY OF WALLER**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 15th day of March 2021 at 6:00 p.m. the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas held a meeting in Regular Session at 1218 Farr St. with the following present:

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| Mayor Danny Marburger | Cynthia Ward, City Secretary |
| Mayor Pro Tem Dwayne Hajek | Gene Schmidt, Supt. of Public Works |
| Councilmember Nancy Arnold | Kimberly Dickey, Deputy City Secretary |
| Councilmember Edna Eaton (<i>Absent</i>) | William Llewellyn, Chief of Police |
| Councilmember Mike McCormick (<i>Joined at 7:05 pm</i>) | John Isom, EDC Director |
| Councilmember Jason Tones | Charles Williams, with Olson & Olson Attorneys |

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Prayer by Councilmember Arnold
Pledge led by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek*

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Please fill out a "Citizen Registration Card" form in order to address the Council. Turn in the form prior to Communications from the Public to the City Secretary. Speakers are limited to three minutes. The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Mayor and City Council on issues that are not on the agenda. The Council cannot take action but may refer this item to a department head or direct that this item be placed on a future regular Council agenda.

Any interested person may appear before City Council to speak on an item on the agenda. Before the start of the meeting, the person must request such appearance in writing and identify the agenda item on which he/she wishes to speak. The person will be called to speak when the agenda item comes before City Council for discussion or action. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

(No public comments)

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

This agenda consists of non-controversial or "housekeeping" items required by law. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda by any Councilmember making such a request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes for February 22, 2021 Regular meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes for March 4, 2021 Special meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Arnold to approve Consent Agenda items, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action to approve the FY2019-20 audit as presented by Belt Harris & Pechacek LLP. (Daniel Herbert)

Daniel Herbert addressed the Mayor and Council to let them know that the City of Waller had a very favorable audit. Total revenue of 6.3 million and total expenditures 4.1 million with an increase of 2 million leaving an 8 million in the general fund balance. This audit finds the City of Waller with a healthy total fund balance.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek to approve the FY2019-20 audit as presented by Belt Harris & Pechacek LLP, seconded by Councilmember Tones. Motion passed.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding **Ordinance #571**, declaring unopposed candidates in the May 1, 2021 General Election, elected to office; canceling the election; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

Motion by Councilmember Arnold to cancel the May 1, 2021 General Election. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek. Motion passed.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding **Ordinance # 572**, approving the annexation filed by Family Communities being the easterly 3.8 acres out of 9.47 acres as described in the conveyance to Family Communities, Inc. as recorded in Film Code RP-2020-646048 of the Harris County Clerk Deed Records, Harris County, Texas said 3.8 acres being located in the J. Woodward Survey A-847 bounded on all sides by the City of Waller Municipal City Limits.

ORDINANCE NO. 572

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE REQUEST FOR ANNEXATION OF A CERTAIN 3.8 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF 9.47 ACRES AS DESCRIBED IN THE CONVEYANCE TO FAMILY COMMUNITIES, INC. AS RECORDED IN FILM CODE RP-2020-646048 OF THE HARRIS COUNTY CLERK DEED RECORDS, HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS SAID 3.8 ACRES BEING LOCATED IN THE J. WOODWARD SURVEY A-847 BOUNDED ON ALL SIDES BY THE CITY OF WALLER MUNICIPAL CITY LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS TO INCLUDE SAID TRACT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO THE SUBJECT.

Motion by Councilmember Arnold to approve Ordinance # 572, for the annexation filed by Family Communities. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tones. Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding **Ordinance # 573**, Authorizing the Issuance of City of Waller, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021; Levying a Tax in Payment Thereof; Authorizing the Redemption Prior to Maturity of Certain Outstanding Obligations; Providing for the Award and Sale of Said Bonds According to Certain Parameters; and Enacting Other Provisions Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 573

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021; LEVYING A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF; AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION PRIOR TO MATURITY OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE AWARD AND SALE OF SAID BONDS ACCORDING TO CERTAIN PARAMETERS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO

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Motion by Councilmember McCormick to approve Ordinance # 573 for the Bond Refunding. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek. Motion passed.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding a contract with Language Line Solutions for a translation service for the Waller Municipal Court and or the Utilities Offices.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek to let Cynthia move forward to get the Language Line Solutions set up, seconded by Councilmember Tones. Motion passed.

8. Discussion and possible action regarding the WEDC expenditure of \$65,000 plus closing costs to purchase property with legal description of S854300 WALLER BLOCKS 1-37 BLK 22 LOT 8 in the City of Waller.

Motion by Councilmember Arnold to approve the WEDC expenditure of \$65,000 plus closing costs to purchase property with legal description of S854300 WALLER BLOCKS 1-37 BLK 22 LOT 8 in the City of Waller, motion seconded by Councilmember Tones. Motion passed.

9. Discussion and possible action to retain IDS Engineering to provide engineering services for the City of Waller.

Mayor introduced Travis Sellers with IDS Engineering Group. Gene addressed Council to ask that they would agree to let IDS Engineering do some of the new work that is coming into the City. He stated that we will continue the relationship with Dr. Clay as in the past, but the City will also share some of that workload with IDS Group.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek to approve a contract with Travis Sellers with IDS Engineering Group. Motion seconded by Councilmember Arnold. Motion passed.

10. Discussion and possible action to declare a 200,000-gallon ground storage tank at the Field Store Road facility as surplus and move forward with the removal.

Gene stated that the new 450,000-gallon ground storage tank up and running at Field Store Road and would like to dismantle the 200,000-gallon ground storage tank that is beyond repair.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem to declare the 200,000-gallon ground storage tank as surplus and let Gene research ways to remove it. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tones. Motion passed.

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor stated that Cheryl Liere resigned as an EDC Board Member and then John Isom talked about the requirements for any person interested in being on the EDC Board.

Mayor asked that Councilmembers serve as liaisons for the City Departments. This is to advance communication between Council and Staff. Just to help share ideas to make the City stronger and better.

***Councilmember Tones – Police
Councilmember McCormick - Code Enforcement
Mayor Pro Tem – Public Works
Councilmember Arnold – Administration
Councilmember Eaton - EDC***

STAFF REPORTS

- Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
 - ***Written reports submitted***

- Gene Schmidt, Public Works Director
 - ***Written reports submitted***
 - ***New 450,000-gallon ground storage tank tested – small leaks***
 - ***Broken pipes in the City due to the freeze***
 - ***Sewer Plant – Pumpworks Building***
 - ***Regulator Station – Beacon Hill***
 - ***Pre-Construction meeting for Cyrus Lane***

- William Llewellyn, Chief of Police
 - ***Written report submitted***

- John Isom, WEDC Director
 - ***Written report submitted***
 - ***Leads from state for Manufacturing***
 - ***ESD Sales Tax***

Mayor called for a 10 min recess at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor called the meeting back into Public Session at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

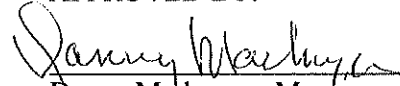
Purpose of Public Hearing is to receive input from the public either oral or written on the annexation filed by Family Communities being the easterly 3.8 acres out of 9.47 acres as described in the conveyance to Family Communities, Inc. as recorded in Film Code RP-2020-646048 of the Harris County Clerk Deed Records, Harris County, Texas said 3.8 acres being located in the J. Woodward Survey A-847 bounded on all sides by the City of Waller Municipal City Limits.

Mayor called the meeting back in regular meeting session at 7:04 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

APPROVED BY:


Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cynthia Ward, City Secretary