



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

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 19th day of July 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:

Mayor Danny Marburger
Mayor Pro Tem Dwayne Hajek
Councilmember Nancy Arnold
Councilmember Edna Eaton
Councilmember Mike McCormick
Councilmember Jason Tones

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
Gene Schmidt, Supt. of Public Works
Kimberly Dickey, Deputy City Secretary
Maryann Carl, Finance Officer
John Isom, EDC Director
Art Pertile, City Attorney

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 June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting.
2. Approval of Quarterly Investment report ending June 30, 2021.

Motion by Councilmember Arnold to approve the consent agenda items for the June Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilmember McCormick. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action approving the Court Security committee for the Waller Municipal Court.

Cynthia stated the 85th Texas Legislature enacted a Judicial and Courthouse Security Act of 2017. The Act requires judges to establish a court security committee. The committee must include the presiding judge, or the presiding judge's designee, who serves as presiding officer of the committee; a representative of the law enforcement agency or other entity that provides the primary security for the court; a representative of the municipality; and any other person the committee determines necessary to assist the committee, such as a city council member or court administrator.

Judge has requested that Chief Llewellyn, Doug Burdett, Charles Mistic, Teresa Mata join her on this committee.

Councilmember Arnold added that she has also been asked by the Judge to serve on the committee as well.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek to approve the Court Security Committee with the addition of Councilmember Arnold. Seconded by Councilmember McCormick. Motion passed.

4. Discussion and possible action on a multi-family housing project on Stokes Road.

Gene stated this project is South of the stadium and will be a multi-family housing project. They are ready to move forward with site plans.

Art stated that the city will have to annex the road and take on maintenance of the road. Also, if the builder intends to apply for Tax Credits or federal funding, they will need to inform the city.

Open discussion on the floor.

Motion by Councilmember Tones Mayor to allow Gene to move forward with this multi-family housing project. Seconded by Councilmember Arnold. Motion passed.

5. Discussion and possible action on payment of Change Order "A" for the Sewage Collection Systems Improvements from reserves.

Gene addressed council to let them know this is the second change order on this project for the cost of the flaggers (Rail Pros) of \$76,401.00 and the city has funding in project contingency to cover this expense.

Open discussion on the floor.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hajek to approve payment for Change Order A in the amount of \$76,401.00. Motion seconded by Councilmember Eaton. Motion passed.

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Arnold addressed the council to let them know that there is a workshop "Weathering the Storm" in Pattison on July the 29th from 8:30 am to 12 pm, free of charge for anyone that would like to attend.

Also, HGAC did and economic study on the region of 13 counties and an interesting fact on Waller County's employment numbers, 22.77 thousand people in March of 2020 and is now up to 22.1 for March of 2021. However, the unemployment rate 5.3% was and now stands at 7.9%. Workforce Commission has refocused to help people affected by the pandemic to find training in new fields of work.

STAFF REPORTS (written reports provided)

- Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
 - *TML Conference*
 - *New Employee – Kristen McCain*
- Gene Schmidt, Public Works Director
- William Llewellyn, Chief of Police
- John Isom, WEDC Director

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cynthia Ward, City Secretary