



The City of Liberty City Council

Special Called Meeting

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April Gilliland
City Secretary
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Tuesday, August 25, 2020

6:00 PM

City Hall - Liberty Center

The City Council of Liberty, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Mayor Carl Pickett	☐	☐	☐	
Mayor ProTem Diane Driggers	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Dennis Beasley	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Libby Simonson	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member David Arnold	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Chipper Smith	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Neal Thornton	☐	☐	☐	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / CITIZENS FORUM

Public Comment is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the City Council regarding agenda and non-agenda items. Please be aware that, under Texas Law, the Council may not deliberate or take any action during Citizen's comments for items not on the agenda. In some situations, City Staff may be able to respond to the public comment with a factual statement or clarification. The City Council may have the item placed on a future agenda for action or refer the item to Management and Staff for study or conclusion.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Public Hearing (ID # 4876)

City Council to conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

2. Ordinance (ID # 4877)

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; PROVIDING THAT EXPENDITURES FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID BUDGET; APPROPRIATING NECESSARY FUNDS FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, PROJECTS AND ACCOUNTS;

PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DISPENSING WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 3.10 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER THAT ALL ORDINANCES BE READ ON TWO SEPARATE DAYS.

- Council Proposed Budget 2020-2021 (PDF)

3. Resolution (ID # 4890)

Consider ratification of the property tax revenue increase reflected in the Fiscal year 2020-2021 Budget.

4. Public Hearing (ID # 4878)

Public hearing on the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

5. Ordinance (ID # 4880)

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS ADOPTING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, AT A RATE OF \$0.5813 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR (\$100) ASSESSED VALUATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DISPENSING WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 3.10 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER THAT ALL ORDINANCES BE READ ON TWO SEPARATE DAYS.

6. Resolution (ID # 4881)

Consider a Resolution electing to participate in the Tax Abatement Program under Texas Tax Code Chapter 312.

- EXHIBIT A - Tax Abatement Election (DOCX)

7. Public Hearing (ID # 4882)

Public Hearing on the adoption of Guidelines and Criteria for Tax Abatement.

8. Resolution (ID # 4883)

Consider a Resolution adopting Guidelines and Criteria for Tax Abatement

- EXHIBIT A - Tax Abatement Guidelines (DOCX)

9. Resolution (ID # 4884)

Consider a Resolution approving an Agreement for Transportation Services between the Brazos Transit District and the City of Liberty.

- EXHIBIT A - Brazos Transit District (PDF)

10. Ordinance (ID # 4887)

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 1.05 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO THE AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD.

11. Resolution (ID # 4885)

Consider a Resolution approving an Interlocal Agreement for Electrical Services & Repairs between Liberty Independent School District and the City of Liberty.

- interlocal with LISD for Electric Services (DOC)

12. Work Session (ID # 4888)

Worksession with City Council to discuss the Franchise Agreement with Centerpoint Energy.

13. Ordinance (ID # 4886)

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., DBA CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS OPERATIONS, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, EXTEND, REMOVE, REPLACE, ABANDON, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN ITS FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION, DELIVERY, SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

B. Executive Session**EXECUTIVE SESSION:****Tx. Gov. Code §551.074 - Personnel Matters.**

- To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

Tx. Gov. Code §551.071 - Private Consultation with Attorney.

- To seek advice regarding contemplated / pending litigation.

C. Reconvene into Regular Session**1. Council Action (ID # 4892)**

Consider and Take Action on matters discussed with Attorney in Executive Session.

2. Council Action (ID # 4889)

Consider and Take Action on the Appointment of a Municipal Court Prosecutor.

IV. ADJOURNMENT**A. Motion To: Adjourn**

I certify that the attached Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board and in the Message Centers located on the east and west sides of the City Hall Administration Building, located at 1829 Sam Houston on the 21st day of August, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. This notice will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

April Gilliland

April Gilliland, City Secretary

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I certify that the attached Notice and Agenda of items to be considered by the City Council was removed by me from the bulletin board at the City Hall on the _____ day of _____, 2020.