



The City of Liberty
City Council
Special Called Meeting
~ Minutes ~

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April Gilliland
City Secretary
936-336-3684

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

12:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Carl Pickett	Mayor	Present	
Diane Driggers	Mayor ProTem	Present	
Dennis Beasley	Council Member	Present	
Libby Simonson	Council Member	Present	
David Arnold	Council Member	Present	
Chipper Smith	Council Member	Present	
Neal Thornton	Council Member	Present	
Tom Warner	City Manager	Present	
Brandon Davis	City Attorney	Present	
Naomi Herrington	Assistant City Manager / CFO	Present	
April Gilliland	City Secretary	Present	

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

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.

Mayor Pickett welcomed guest and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Council. No public comments were given.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Resolution 2020-64

Approve the submittal of a grant application to the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Funding.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated approximately \$4.3 billion in CDBG-MIT fund to the State of Texas. The GLO has been designated by the Governor to administer these funds on behalf of the State. The CDBG-MIT funds may be used for activities that include, but are not limited to, natural and green infrastructure, public facilities, housing buyouts or acquisitions, activities designed to relocate families outside of floodplains, infrastructure projects and public service activities. The funding is in the form of a grant and requires no local match. However, since these are competitive grants, a 1% local match will add additional points to the application. City Council has previously authorized the City Manager to retain the appropriate firms to assist the City in preparing the application for water, wastewater and storm sewer improvements throughout the City. The final application budget is presented below:

Activity	Grant	Match	Total
Construction	\$31,578,482.00	\$406,266.00	\$31,984,748.00
Engineering	\$ 5,048,100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,048,100.00
Acquisition	\$ 1,670,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,670,000.00
Administration	\$ 2,330,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,330,000.00
Total	\$40,626,582.00	\$406,266.00	\$41,032,848.00

The 1% local match commitment has been allocated to the construction activity and will be expended at the start of construction. In addition to approval of the resolution relating to the grant application submittal, City Council will also authorize the approval and submittal of the SF-424 Form and the local certification. These documents are enclosed for City Council's review. City Council has previously authorized \$406,266.00 in Cambridge Funds for the local match.

A motion was made to approve the resolution authorizing the submittal of the City's CDBG-MIT application and the approval and submittal of documents relating to the grant application.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Final Application Memo (PDF)
- Liberty 424-Form (PDF)
- mit-local-certifications (PDF)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Libby Simonson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Chipper Smith, Council Member
AYES:	Pickett, Driggers, Beasley, Simonson, Arnold, Smith, Thornton

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Pickett adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

April Gilliland, City Secretary