



The City of Liberty City Council

Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, September 12, 2023

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

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 Pro Tem Chipper Smith				
Council Member Dennis Beasley				
Council Member Libby Simonson				
Council Member John Hebert, Jr.				
Council Member Tommy Brents				
Council Member Ed Seymour				

II. INVOCATION

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. 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.

V. PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

- A. City Manager's Report - City Manager Tom Warner - Topics include, Liberty County Appraisal District Board, Golf Course, Splash Pad, Park Sewer System Improvements, 2023 Street Rehabilitation Project, and Electrical Projects.
- B. Finance Report - Assistant City Manager/CFO Naomi Herrington
- C. Department Reports
- D. Sam Rayburn Municipal Power Agency - Mayor Pickett

E. Mayor, Council and Staff Comments**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

All consent items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, and if such a request is made, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

A. Minutes Approval

1. August 8, 2023
2. August 22, 2023

VII. REGULAR AGENDA**A. Regular Session**

1. City Council to conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
2. City Council to conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
3. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; 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.**
4. **A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, RATIFYING THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE BUDGET.**
5. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS ADOPTING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AT A RATE OF \$0.6204 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR (\$100) ASSESSED VALUATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
6. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, AMENDING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE BY INCREASING WATER, WASTEWATER, SOLID WASTE RATES AND CONVENIENCE FEE FOR CARD TRANSACTIONS; ADJUSTING GOLF COURSE FEES AND T-HANGAR FEES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
7. **A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, APPROVING A BID FOR TAX RESALE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 12 LOTS IN OAK PLACE SUBDIVISION.**
8. **A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AWARDED THE BID FOR THE TEXAS STREET SANITARY SEWER LINE PROJECT TO TMS UTILITY, LLC.**

B. Executive Session

1. **Texas Government Code §551.071 - Private Consultation with Attorney**
Discussion with attorney regarding contemplated/pending litigation and/or regarding matters protected by attorney/client privilege.
2. **Texas Government Code §551.074 - Personnel Matters.**
To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
 - o City Manager Evaluation
 - o Library Board Appointments

C. Reconvene into Regular Session

1. Consider and take possible action on legal matters discussed in executive session.
2. Consider and take possible action on personnel matters discussed in the executive session.

VIII. 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 8th day of September, 2023 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 _____, ____.