



The City of Liberty City Council

Emergency Meeting

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1829 Sam Houston
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April Gilliland
City Secretary
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Thursday, July 11, 2024

4:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order on July 11, 2024 in the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston Street, Liberty, Texas at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor John Hebert.

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Mayor John Hebert, Jr.	X			
Mayor Pro Tem Libby Simonson	X			
Council Member Dennis Beasley	X			
Council Member Tommy Brents	X			
Council Member Ed Seymour	X			
Council Member Ross Ward		X		
Council Member Debbie Dugger	X			

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 Hebert welcomed guests and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Council. Mayor Hebert thanked the City employees and contractors for the recovery efforts after Hurricane Beryl. City Manager Tom Warner spoke to Council about the debris contract for removal and monitoring and FEMA requirements.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER IN THE CITY OF LIBERTY CAUSED BY HURRICANE BERYL; CONFIRMING AND RATIFYING ANY EMERGENCY PROCLAMATIONS AND REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE MAYOR IN RESPONSE TO THE DAMAGE, INJURY, OR LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY RESULTING FROM SAID HURRICANE; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City of Liberty's emergency management plan had previously activated the Declaration of Local Disaster by Proclamation of the Mayor of the City of Liberty, Dated July 7, 2024. The Governor of the State of Texas has designated Liberty County a disaster area. The Original Declaration was good for 7 days and this Ordinance will continue the declaration for 45 days.

A motion was made by Council Member Simonson to adopt the Ordinance continuing the Declaration of local Disaster in the City of Liberty caused by Hurricane Beryl and seconded by Council Member Beasley. The motion passed 6 to 0 with all present voting yes.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion To: Adjourn

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Hebert adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

John Hebert, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

April Gilliland, City Secretary