



The City of Liberty
City Council
Regular Meeting
~ Agenda ~

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Tuesday, March 10, 2020

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 ProTem Diane Huddleston	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Dennis Beasley	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Libby Simonson	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member David Arnold	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Chipper Smith	☐	☐	☐	
Council Member Neal Thornton	☐	☐	☐	

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. Information Item (ID # 4706)

City Manager's Report - T. Warner, City Mgr. - City Project & Activities - Jubilee - EPA Flood Resilience Workshop - City Hall Interior Repairs & Improvements, Holly Street Drainage & Water Project - Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project - Main "B" Levee Repairs - TxDOT U.S. 90 Public Meeting - Inspection Permitting Update

- City Manager's Report March 2020 (DOCX)

B. Information Item (ID # 4707)

Finance Report - N. Herrington, Asst. City Mgr./CFO

C. Information Item (ID # 4722)

Department Reports - Monthly Dept. Activities

- Fire Dept. Report (XLS)
- Inspection Dept. Report (XLSX)
- Library Narrative Report (DOCX)
- Library Stats Report (XLSX)
- Library Volunteer Report (XLSX)
- Police Dept. Report (XLS)
- Public Works Report (DOCX)
- Public Works Construction Rpt (DOCX)

D. Information Item (ID # 4708)

Sam Rayburn Municipal Power Agency - Mayor Pickett

E. Information Item (ID # 4709)

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. Tuesday, January 28, 2020
2. Tuesday, February 11, 2020
3. Tuesday, February 18, 2020
4. Thursday, February 20, 2020

B. Council Action 2020-16

Consider approval of a Service Agreement between the City of Liberty and the Ames Water Supply Corporation.

- Ames Water Supply Service Agreement - Exhibit A (PDF)

C. Council Action 2020-17

Consider approval of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with the Texas Department of Public Safety for the Fail to Appear Program.

- Interlocal Cooperation Contract-Failure to Appear (PDF)

D. Council Action 2020-18

Consider acceptance of the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Audit, as presented on February 20, 2020 by Swaim, Brents & Associates.

E. Resolution 2020-1

Consider a Resolution designating authorized signatories for contractual documents and documents requesting funds relating to the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

F. Resolution 2020-2

Consider a Resolution approving the attached policies in connection with the City of Liberty, Texas participation in Federally Funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects and adherence to the regulations described therein.

- Civil Rights Resolution Info (PDF)

G. Council Action 2020-19

Consider designating various library books, no longer in circulation, as surplus property.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA**A. Regular Session****1. Ordinance 2020-9**

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS DENYING THE STATEMENT OF INTENT OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS TO INCREASE RATES IN THE BEAUMONT/EAST TEXAS DIVISION; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES; FINDING THAT THE MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THIS ORDINANCE; AND DISPENSING WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 3.10 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER THAT ALL ORDINANCES BE READ ON TWO SEPARATE DAYS.

2. Council Action 2020-21

Consider approval of an agreement with MP Consulting Services for consulting and review of the City's Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating.

3. Resolution 2020-3

Consider a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept funding from the Texas Department of Transportation and to execute all documents necessary to install an Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) at the Liberty Municipal Airport.

4. Ordinance 2020-10

CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 3.12 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, REGULATING PARKING WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DISPENSING WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 3.10 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER THAT THIS ORDINANCE BE READ ON TWO SEPARATE DAYS.

5. Council Action 2020-22

Consider authorizing the expenditure of Cambridge Funds to repair a waterline on Main Street, under Main "B".

B. Executive Session**Tx. Gov. Code §551.071 - Private Consultation with Attorney.**

To seek advice regarding contemplated / pending litigation.

Tx. Gov. Code §551.087 - Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.

To deliberate commercial or financial information received from a business prospect.

C. Reconvene into Regular Session**1. Council Action 2020-20**

Consider approving a settlement agreement, regarding contemplated/pending litigation, as 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 6th day of March, 2020 at 4:00 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.


Dianne Tidwell, 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.