



The City of Liberty City Council Special Called Meeting

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Tuesday, June 17, 2008

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order on June 17, 2008 at the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston, Liberty, TX at 6:03 PM by Mayor Carl Pickett.

II. INVOCATION

Mayor Pickett dispensed with the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pickett dispensed with the Pledge.

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Pickett welcomed guests and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Council regarding non-agenda items. There were no comments.

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Agenda Items

1. Council Action 2008-28

Consider Approval of Entering into a Memo of Understanding with the Liberty Independent School District Regarding a School Resource Officer.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The City Council at its April meeting, directed Police Chief Mike Cummings to continue negotiations with the school district for a school resource officer. Discussed was a three-year program, to be reviewed annually by each entity, for a 75/25 split of the total cost, the school district paying 75%. Chief Cummings reported that the school district is standing firm with a commitment for a 3-year program of \$50,000 per year, for an approximate 74/26% split.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment #1 - SRO Cost Analysis 061208 (XLSX)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mike McCarty, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Frank Jordan, Councilman
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Potetz, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson

2. Information Item 2008-29

Annual Review and Update of the Community Development Capital Improvement Program.**COMMENTS - Current Meeting:**

The Liberty Community Development Board is required to make an annual report to the City Council regarding the plan, no later than December 1st of each year. This review is presented by the City Manager, who is also the General Manager of the Corporation.

City Manager Ron Wood reported that there few expenditures made with LCDC funds in the past year. Mr. Wood stated the Corporation has focused on retiring the levee debt and options for pay-off of these bonds.

3. Council Action 2008-29

Consider an Amendment to the Liberty Community Development Corporation Budget for Fiscal Year 07-08.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

City Manager Ron Wood reported that the amendment to the FY 07-08 budget is due to a \$20,000 expenditure for studies completed regarding the proposed purchase of the Union Pacific Rail Spur.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Louie Potetz, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Potetz, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson

4. Council Action 2008-30

Consider Approval of the Liberty Community Development Corporation Budget for Fiscal Year 08-09.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Although the Liberty Community Development Corporation Board of Directors have already approved their budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009; this budget is not considered formally adopted until approved by the City Council.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Louie Potetz, Councilperson
SECONDER:	Dennis Beasley, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Potetz, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson

VI. WORK SESSION**A. Work Session 2008-1**

Discussion and Formulation of Long-Range Plans and Goals for the City of Liberty.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Council held lengthy discussion regarding the formulation of goals, objectives, and action plans for the City of Liberty.

VII. COUNCIL MEAL

The Council shared an evening meal.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Frank Jordan, Councilman
SECONDER:	Diane Huddleston, Councilperson
AYES:	Pickett, Beasley, Huddleston, McCarty, Potetz, Jordan
ABSENT:	Al Simonson

Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary