



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

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Dianne Tidwell
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Tuesday, August 26, 2008

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order on August 26, 2008 at the City Council Chambers, 1829 Sam Houston, Liberty, TX at 6:15 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 Session

1. Work Session 2008-4

Budget Work Session.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

A work session was held on the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. City Manager Ron Wood and Finance Director Naomi Herrington reviewed the various funds and changes made to this document since the previous work session on August 19.

2. Information Item 2008-41

Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

At 8:14 p.m., Mayor Pickett opened the Public Hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2008-2009 budget. After further review of various budget related issues, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:27 p.m.

3. Information Item 2008-42

Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

At 8:28 p.m., Mayor Pickett opened the first public hearing on the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. City Manager Ron Wood reported that the proposed rate is \$0.5900; which includes a rate of \$0.3345 for maintenance and operations and \$0.2555 for debt service. After brief discussion, Mayor Pickett closed the Public Hearing at 8:30 p.m.

4. Council Action 2008-45

Consider Postponement of Final Vote on the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget Until September 9, 2008.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

At the conclusion of the public hearing, the governing body shall take action on the proposed budget. If the budget is not adopted at the same meeting as the public hearing, the Council must take action to postpone adoption until a later date (LGC §102.007).

A motion was made to postpone the final vote on adoption of the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 budget until September 9, 2008.

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

VI. COUNCIL MEAL

There was no evening meal.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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

Carl Pickett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianne Tidwell, City Secretary