

HEWITT TEXAS

MINUTES OF A CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP/REGULAR MEETING HEWITT CITY HALL – 200 PATRIOT COURT September 18, 2017 – 5:30 PM/7:00 PM

Members present: Mayor Travis Bailey (presiding), Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo, Council Members Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf, Bill Fuller, James Vidrine, Alex Snider and Steve Fortenberry

Staff present: City Attorney Charlie Buenger, City Engineer Miles Whitney, City Manager Adam Miles, Police Chief Jim Devlin, Assistant Police Chief Tuck Saunders, Fire Chief Lance Bracco, Managing Director Katie Allgood, Utilities Superintendent Kevin Reinke, Library Director Waynette Ditto, Community Development Director Tracy Lankford, Human Resources Generalist Stephanie Fenty, Parks & Media Coordinator Cassie Muske, and City Secretary Lydia Lopez

Staff absent: Finance Director Lee Garcia

WORKSHOP – 5:30 PM

1. Mayor Travis Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
2. City Manager presented updates on municipal business:
 - a. Report from City Engineer
 - b. Briefing and discussion concerning upcoming events:
 - o Dog Days (Hewitt Park) – September 30
 - o Spooktacular (Warren Park) – October 31 (Greater Hewitt Chamber)
 - c. Briefing and discussion concerning proposed park developments.
 - o Dog Park presentation (Presented by Parks & Media Coordinator Caz Muske)
 - d. Splash Pad presentation (Presented by Managing Director Katie Allgood)
 - e. The Council interviewed prospective Parks & Beautification Committee member – Davis D. Thigpen.
3. The regular meeting agenda items were reviewed.

*A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Bill Fuller to recess the Workshop at 6:53 pm; all in favor, motion passed. **Note: The remainder of the Workshop was held following the Regular Session.***

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Travis Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG** – Mayor Travis Bailey asked Miss Charlotte Guess to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 14, 2017.** *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Alex Snider to approve the minutes as submitted but allow for corrections; all seven in favor, motion passed.*
4. **HEAR VISITORS ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO CITY BUSINESS.** *Under the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Council is prohibited from discussing, responding, or acting on any comments or items that have not been properly posted on the agenda. NONE*
5. **SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF THE MAYOR’S LIBRARY AWARD.** Mayor Travis Bailey and Library Director Waynette Ditto presented the Mayor’s Reading Awards to the following Young individuals who participated in the Library’s Summer Reading Program:

TOP CHILD READERS

Eli Hudson
Malachi Hudson
Sadie Hudson
Aariz Velji
Madrid Vaughan
Oakley Powell
Adlesi Roberts
Hudson Kuykendall
Kaidan Ryan
Michael Stripling

TOP TEEN READERS

Emma Guess
Kordelia Lawson
Molly Stripling
Charlotte Guess
Isaac Callahan
Daniel Miller
Isaac Miller
Sandie Preddy
Haylee Ryan
Foster Trice
Thomas Guess
Maheen Lalani
Ethan Trice

6. **SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF THE LIBRARY’S “BUILD A BETTER HEWITT PROJECT.”** Library staff members Amy Wilhite and Sarah Miller presented a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the Build a Better Hewitt project and what maker education programming the library has planned for the future.
7. **CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO THE PARKS & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE.** *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Bill Fuller to approve appointment of Davis Thigpen; all seven in favor, motion passed.*

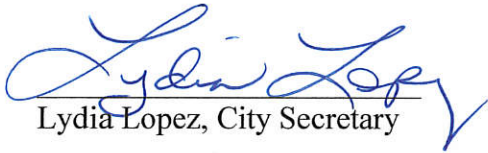
8. **ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY APPOINTED PARKS & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEMBER.** Mayor Travis Bailey administered the oath of office to Davis Thigpen
9. **AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH LEWIS CONCRETE RESTORATION FOR RESTORATION AND RE-COATING OF SANITARY SEWER MANHOLES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.** *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Bill Fuller to approve; all seven in favor, motion passed.*
10. **AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A UTILITIES ENCROACHMENT EASEMENT AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF WACO.** *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Alex Snider to approve; all seven in favor, motion passed.*
11. **AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WALKER PARTNERS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$138,530.** *A motion was made by Council Member Alex Snider and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo to approve; all seven in favor, motion passed.*
12. **CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 70-45, HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX, ALLOWING A DISCOUNT OF 1% FOR EARLY PAYMENT OF HOTEL TAXES.** *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Steve Fortenberry to deny ordinance; four in favor (Passalugo, Fortenberry, Snider and Bailey); three (Wachtendorf, Fuller, Vidrine) in opposition, motion to deny passed.*
13. **ADJOURN.** *A motion was made by Council Member Bill Fuller and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:54 PM and reconvene the workshop; all seven in favor, motion passed.*

WORKSHOP - Continued

- f. Briefing and discussion concerning right of way management policy.
- g. Briefing and discussion concerning proposed social media policy.
- h. Briefing and discussion concerning Public Safety operations – Police & Fire.
Council Member Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf read a poem he wrote entitled, “An Ode to Gus”.
4. Convene Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code to discuss the following:
 - **Pursuant to §551.072 – Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property.**
5. Close Executive Session.

6. Adjourn. *A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Passalugo and seconded by Council Member Alex Snider to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 PM, all seven in favor, motion passed.*

Approved: October 2, 2017


Lydia Lopez, City Secretary


Travis Bailey, Mayor