

HEWITT TEXAS

**MINUTES OF A CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
HEWITT PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY – 100 PATRIOT COURT
October 19, 2020 – 7:00 PM**

Attendee Name	Title	Absent	Present	Arrived
Charles D. Turner	Mayor, Ward 1	☒	☐	
Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf (presiding)	Mayor Pro Tem, Ward 1	☐	☒	
Bill Fuller	Council Member, Ward 2	☐	☒	
Vacancy	Council Member, Ward 2	☐	☐	
Michael S. Bancale	Council Member, At-Large	☐	☒	
Steve Fortenberry	Council Member, Ward 3	☐	☒	
Erica Bruce	Council Member, Ward 3	☐	☒	

Staff present:

City Manager Bo Thomas
City Secretary Lydia Lopez
Fire Chief Lance Bracco
Police Chief Jim Devlin
Miles Whitney, City Engineer
Mike Dixon, City Attorney

Note: The meeting was streamed live for view by the public on the City of Hewitt Facebook page. Citizens had the opportunity to submit written comments online.

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.** Mayor Pro Tem Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He noted the meeting was being held in the Public Safety Facility as the Council Chambers was being utilized for early voting in the Joint General Election – November 3, 2020.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG.** Mayor Pro Tem Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf asked led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. 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. **NOTE:** The public was offered the opportunity to submit written comments on items listed on the agenda or under the hear visitors via the city’s website. **No public comment forms were submitted via the city’s website.**

4. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 5, 2020.**
MOTION: Council Member Steve Fortenberry moved approval of the minutes as presented but allow for corrections.
SECOND: Council Member Bill Fuller
AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Turner
MOTION PASSED.
5. **PRESENTATION OF REPORT FROM CITY ENGINEER MILES WHITNEY, P.E.**
 - **Update on pending utility projects**
 - **Update on pending street projects**
 - **Update on pending drainage projects**
6. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE NO. 2020-19 CHANGING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOT 10 BLOCK 1 LOCATED IN THE 700 BLOCK OF ALLIANCE PARKWAY FROM INDUSTRIAL TO HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL.** Mayor Pro Tem Wilbert “Walky” Wachtendorf opened the hearing and asked the City Secretary if any public comments cards were received on this hearing. City Secretary Lydia Lopez responded that no public comments were received online. Mayor Pro Tem Wachtendorf called for those wishing to speak in favor. He called for those wishing to speak against. No one appeared for or against. The public hearing was closed. General discussion was held concerning the legal description of the property (lot and block) as provided in the backup. The consensus was to bring the item back at the next Council meeting for action after the property description could be verified and agenda language be amended. No action was taken on this item or the subsequent item below.
7. **PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE NO. 2020-20 CHANGING THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOT 10 BLOCK 1 LOCATED IN THE 700 BLOCK OF ALLIANCE PARKWAY FROM B-P BUSINESS PARK TO R-4 MULTI-FAMILY HIGH DENSITY.** No action was taken. Item will be placed on the next agenda.
8. **CONSIDER AWARD OF BID FOR 2020 – RITCHIE ROAD STREET IMPROVEMENTS TO WACO PAVING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$759,266.95.**
MOTION: Council Member Steve Fortenberry moved approval of the bid for 2020 - Ritchie Road Improvements to Waco Paving Inc., in the amount of \$759,266.95.
SECOND: Council Member Michael Bancale
AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Turner
MOTION PASSED.

9. **RATIFY EXPENDITURES FOR REPAIRS TO PUMP AND MOTOR #1 AT LIFT STATION 2-2 TO SMITH PUMP COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,235.**
City Manager Bo Thomas presented.
MOTION: Council Member Michael Bancale moved to ratify the expenditures associated with repairs to Pump #1 at Lift Station 2-2 in the amount of \$3,235.
SECOND: Council Member Bill Fuller
AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Turner
MOTION PASSED.
10. **BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020.** City Manager Bo Thomas advised that Finance Director Lee Garcia previously sent the September Financial Statements electronically on October 12, 2020, and inquired if Council had any questions. There were no questions or concerns raised. No action required.
11. **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020.**
City Manager Bo Thomas presented a summary of report prepared by Valley View Consulting, L.L.C.
MOTION: Council Member Michael Bancale moved to approval of the Quarterly Investment Report ending September 30, 2020.
SECOND: Council Member Erica Bruce
AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Turner
MOTION PASSED.
12. **DISCUSSION AND BRIEFING CONCERNING THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AND ANY ACTIONS NECESSARY THERETO.** City Manager Bo Thomas presented and advised that the order will be extended to November 3, 2020.
MOTION: Council Member Steve Fortenberry moved to approve the Order dated October 20, 2020.
SECOND: Council Member Erica Bruce
AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Turner
MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Pro Tem Wachtendorf recessed the Regular Meeting to convene the following Executive Session at 7:30 PM.

13. **Executive Session:** A closed meeting will be held pursuant to *Section 551.071 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.)* so that the City Council can seek and receive legal advice and counsel from its attorneys regarding pending or threatened litigation, settlement offers, resolution of claims, or other matters for which the attorneys' duties to their client under the Texas State Bar Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act (Ch.551, Gov. Code).

Mayor Pro Tem Wachtendorf reconvened the Regular Meeting and called for a motion to adjourn the Executive Session.

MOTION: Council Member Bill Fuller move to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:30 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Steve Fortenberry

AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

14. **ADJOURN.**

MOTION: Council Member Bill Fuller move to adjourn at 8:31 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Steve Fortenberry

AYES: Fuller, Bancale, Fortenberry, Bruce, and Wachtendorf

NAYES: None

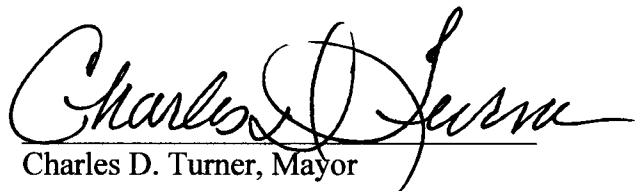
ABSENT: Turner

MOTION PASSED.

Approved: 11-2-2020

ATTEST:


Lydia Lopez, City Secretary


Charles D. Turner, Mayor

