

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015
6:00 PM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:05 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Moon, District 1

Garrett Boersma, District 6

LaDarius Carter, District 4

(present for Budget workshop only)

Vernia Calhoun, District

Ed Smith, District 7

ABSENT: Michael Mitchell, District 2

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager

J.C. Hughes, Public Services Director

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director

Wes Morrison, Planning & Development Director

Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director

Sarah O'Brien, Director of Tourism & Promotions

Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief

Eddie Campa, Police Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Boersma

REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

289. **CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD A BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE ICE RINK COMPRESSOR AND MAT SYSTEM HARDWARE.**

Lisa Agnor, City Manager, asked for approval to award a bid for the purchase of a portable ice rink compressor and mat system hardware to Everything Ice of Salix, Pennsylvania in the amount of \$128,415.00.

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director, explained the process of finding a vendor for the portable ice rink compressor and mat system hardware.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve awarding a bid for the purchase of a portable ice rink compressor and mat system hardware to Everything Ice of Salix, Pennsylvania. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

290. **CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD A BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE CAROUSEL.**

Lisa Agnor asked for approval to award a bid for the purchase of a portable carousel to Intermark Ride Group of Nashville, Tennessee in the amount of \$67,000.00.

Jack Redmon discussed the process of finding a vendor for the portable carousel.

Commissioners asked questions of Jack Redmon regarding this item.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve awarding a bid for the purchase of a portable carousel to Intermark Ride Group of Nashville, Tennessee. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

291. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Moon made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

Commissioner Carter joined the meeting prior to convening budget workshop.

BUDGET WORKSHOP – DISCUSSION OF 2016 BUDGET

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2015
6:00 PM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Regular meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Moon, District 1
LaDarius Carter, District 4
Garrett Boersma, District 6

Michael Mitchell, District 2
Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Ed Smith, District 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager
J.C. Hughes, Public Services Director
Jack Redmon, Support Services Director
Wes Morrison, Planning & Development Director
Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director
Sarah O'Brien, Director of Tourism & Promotions

Todd Fitts, City Attorney
Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief
Eddie Campa, Police Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Mitchell

292. **PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Jean Birmingham, 2107 Spring St., thanked the Commissioners and staff for their service and stated that she would like to use a portion of Memorial City Hall for a Veterans Museum.

Elaine Slaughter, 4100 Victory Dr., asked for Commissioners to consider funding for animal shelter renovations.

Nancy Stone, 113 Larry Dr., addressed the Commission regarding needed improvements for the animal shelter.

Amanda Smith, 38 Pine Burr Circle, spoke regarding the condition of the animal shelter. She stated that the funds necessary to create a new shelter for Marshall can be and should be allocated.

Johnathan Wilson, 500 E. Woodland Rd, President of Marshall's Firefighter Association, presented the Commission with information regarding employee retention in the Fire Department.

293. **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Item 4D was withdrawn from the Consent Agenda

294. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Moon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of item 4D. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the August 24, 2015 Special-Called meeting; the August 27, 2015 Regular meeting; and the August 31, 2015 Special-Called meeting.
- B. Consider and act on renewal of a five year Water Supply Contract with the City of Scottsville, Texas.
- C. Consider and act on a recommendation to approve an extension of the short-term treated Water Supply Contract with Norit Americas, Inc. for a period commencing October 1, 2015 and terminating no later than October 31, 2015, with the current water rate structure.

295. **PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate of \$0.542160 per \$100 valuation in support of the 2016 Annual Budget of the City of Marshall.

City Manager, Lisa Agnor, stated that a tax rate of \$0.542160 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of City of Marshall. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate. This is the first Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate. The second Public Hearing will be held on Monday, September 14, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. The public is urged to attend and express views on the proposed tax rate.

Chairman Neal opened the public hearing.

No one came forward to speak.

Chairman Neal closed the public hearing.

City Manager stated that the Commission will meet Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. and Friday, September 18, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. to adopt the tax rate.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE

296. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO THE REGISTRATION OF CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS WITHIN THE CITY OF MARSHALL.**

Wes Morrison, Planning & Development Director, stated that he had no additional information for the second reading of this Ordinance.

Commissioner Boersma made a motion to approve an Ordinance amending section 7-2 of the Code of Ordinances, specifically related to the registration of contractors and builders within the City of Marshall. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

Agenda item 7I was taken out of order.

297. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE USE OF THE MEMORIAL CITY HALL FACILITY.

Lisa Agnor stated that this item had been placed on the agenda to allow for discussion regarding Memorial City Hall.

Commissioners asked questions of John Flowers, Architect for the Memorial City Hall project.

298. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH HARRISON COUNTY RELATED TO THE STAR BOOT CAMP PROGRAM.

Lisa Agnor asked for approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Harrison County related to the STAR Boot Camp program.

Commissioner Moon made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Harrison County related to the STAR Boot Camp program. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

299. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NEED TO INITIATE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY AND EVALUATION OF THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

Mayor Neal stated his reasons for requesting this agenda item.

J.C. Hughes, Public Services Director, stated that he is in the process of gathering information from previous studies that have been compiled to use over the next 12 months. He is meeting with the engineers to share the information that he already has to get an approximate cost for a comprehensive study and evaluation of the City's Water and Wastewater infrastructure.

The Commission asked questions of J.C. Hughes regarding this item.

300. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH HARRISON COUNTY FOR LIBRARY SERVICES AND ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES.

Commissioner Boersma stated his reasons for requesting this agenda item.

Lisa Agnor provided amount of funding Harrison County has adopted for their 2015-2016 Budget for Library Services and Animal Shelter Services.

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding this agenda item.

301. DISCUSSION REGARDING AN ANNEXATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF MARSHALL.

Wes Morrison discussed process of developing an annexation plan for the City of Marshall.

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding this item.

302. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE LIBRARY RENOVATION PROJECT.

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director, gave an update regarding the status of the proposed Library renovation project.

A brief discussion was held regarding this item.

303. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF I-369.

Commissioner Boersma stated that he wanted this item to remain as an ongoing discussion item of the Commission.

304. REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OPENGOV FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY PROGRAM.

Lisa Agnor presented a report on the status of the implementation of the OpenGov financial transparency program.

305. REPORT REGARDING THE CITY OF MARSHALL'S ENGINE BRAKE ORDINANCE.

Commissioner Mitchell requested information on the City's Engine Brake Ordinance.

J.C. Hughes stated that TXDOT furnishes and installs the signs at a cost of \$680 per sign. Mr. Hughes suggested to start with six signs.

306. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider and act on a request to award a contract to Reynolds & Kay, Ltd. of Tyler, Texas for street reconstructions and overlays as specified in our 2015 Street Improvement Program as previously approved by the City Commission.

Commissioners asked questions of J.C. Hughes regarding this agenda item.

Commissioner Boersma made a motion to award a contract to Reynolds & Kay, Ltd. of Tyler, Texas for street reconstructions and overlays as specified in our 2015 Street Improvement Program. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

307. REQUESTS FROM COMMISSIONERS FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS

- Report on Citywide Clean-Up
- Report of cost for All America City signs

308. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Moon made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

Ordinance: O-15-06

BUDGET WORKSHOP – DISCUSSION OF 2016 DRAFT BUDGET

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015
6:00 PM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Moon, District 1
Vernia Calhoun, District 5

Michael Mitchell, District 2
Garrett Boersma, District 6

ABSENT: LaDarius Carter, District 4

Ed Smith, District 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager
Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief
Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director
Sarah O'Brien, Director of Tourism & Promotions

Todd Fitts, City Attorney

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Boersma

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Chairman Neal opened the public hearing.

No one came forward to speak.

Chairman Neal closed the public hearing.

City Manager stated that the Commission will meet Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. and Friday, September 18, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. to adopt the tax rate.

310. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Moon made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

BUDGET WORKSHOP – DISCUSSION OF 2016 BUDGET

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2015
6:00 PM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Michael Mitchell, District 2

LaDarius Carter, District 4

Vernia Calhoun, District 5

Garrett Boersma, District 6

Ed Smith, District 7

ABSENT: Gloria Moon, District 1

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager

Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief

Dean Searle, Acting City Attorney

J.C. Hughes, Public Services Director

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director

Wes Morrison, Planning & Development Director

Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Carter

PRESENTATION

311. PRESENTATION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL AUDIT REPORT FOR THE 2014 FISCAL YEAR.

Mike Hallum, CPA with Knuckols, Duvall, Hallum, & Co., presented the annual audit report for the 2014 fiscal year.

ORDINANCE

312. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, TEXAS FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR.

Lisa Agnor, City Manager, asked for approval of an Ordinance to adopt the Annual Budget of the City of Marshall, Texas for the 2016 Fiscal Year.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve the Ordinance to adopt the Annual Budget of the City of Marshall, Texas for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with the following vote:

**Ayes 4: Chairman Neal, Commissioners Carter, Calhoun, and Mitchell
Nays 2: Commissioners Boersma and Smith**

RATIFICATION OF PROPOSED 2015 TAX RATE INCREASE

313. CONSIDER RATIFICATION OF THE PROPOSED 2015 TAX RATE INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE 2016 BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE.

Lisa Agnor asked for ratification of the proposed 2015 tax rate increase reflected in the 2016 Budget in accordance with the Texas Local Government Code.

Commissioner Calhoun made motion for ratification of the proposed 2015 tax rate increase reflected in the 2016 Budget. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

ORDINANCE

314. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AFFIXING AND LEVYING 2015 AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR AT A RATE OF \$0.542160 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE, WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 13.06 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE OF \$0.542160 WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

Lisa Agnor asked for approval of an Ordinance affixing and levying 2015 ad valorem taxes for the use and support of the municipal government of the City of Marshall for the 2016 fiscal year at a rate of \$0.542160 per \$100 of property value, *which is effectively a 13.06 percent increase in the tax rate. The tax rate of \$0.542160 will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The Ordinance provides for apportioning each levy for operations and indebtedness.*

The proposed tax rate of \$0.542160 will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate and the tax rate will effectively be raised by 8.31 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$37.53.

Chairman Neal made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.542160, which is effectively a 13.06 percent increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

315. PRESENTATION OF THE MARSHALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.

Donna Maisel, Executive Director of MEDCO, presented MEDCO's semi-annual report.

316. DISCUSSION OF AND CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO ALLOW THE HARRISON COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM TO OCCUPY SPACE IN THE MEMORIAL CITY HALL FACILITY.

Janet Cook, Executive Director of the Harrison County Historical Museum, gave a brief history of the museum and spoke in support of the museum occupying space in Memorial City Hall.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to make Memorial City Hall a performance venue facility only. Chairman Neal seconded the motion.

Commission engaged in discussion, and John Flowers, Architect for the Memorial City Hall project, responded to questions regarding this agenda item.

Martha Robb, 3301 Victory Drive, requested that the commissioners allow the public an opportunity to speak on behalf of the museum being in Memorial City Hall.

After further discussion Commissioner Mitchell withdrew his motion and Chairman Neal withdrew the second.

Narcie Crosby, 211 N. Bolivar, addressed the Commission asking when the public would be allowed to speak regarding the Harrison County Historical Museum being housed in Memorial City Hall.

The Commission discussed another meeting being scheduled for September 21, 2015.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

317. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code – Consultation with Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the governmental Body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.

1. Discussion regarding issues related to contracts between Norit Americas, Inc., Harrison County, and the City of Marshall.

The Commission adjourned into Executive Session, the time was 7:35p.m.

The Commission reconvened from Executive Session, the time was 8:30p.m.

318. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Carter made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

**Ordinances: O-15-07
 O-15-08**

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2015
8:00 AM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Michael Mitchell, District 2
Garrett Boersma, District 6

Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Ed Smith, District 7

ABSENT: Gloria Moon, District 1

LaDarius Carter, District 4

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager
Jack Redmon, Support Services Director
Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director

SECOND READING OR ORDINANCES

319. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, TEXAS FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR.

Lisa Agnor, City Manager, stated that she had no additional information for the second reading of this Ordinance.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve an Ordinance to adopt the annual budget of the City of Marshall, Texas for the 2016 fiscal year. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with the following vote:

Ayes 3: Chairman Neal, Commissioners Calhoun and Mitchell

Nays 2: Commissioners Boersma and Smith

320. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AFFIXING AND LEVYING 2015 AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR AT A RATE OF \$0.542160 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE, WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY A 13.06 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE OF \$0.542160 WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

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Chairman Neal made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.542160, which is effectively a 13.06 percent increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

321. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

APPROVED:

Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

Ordinances: O-15-07
O-15-08

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2015
9:00 AM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 9:02 a.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Michael Mitchell, District 2

LaDarius Carter, District 4

Vernia Calhoun, District 5

Garrett Boersma, District 6

Ed Smith, District 7

ABSENT: Gloria Moon, District 1

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager

Todd Fitts, City Attorney

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director

Eddie Campa, Police Chief

Wes Morrison, Planning & Development Director

Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director

Sarah O'Brien, Director of Tourism & Promotions

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Carter

322. **PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Michael Smith, 4739 Harris Lake Rd., read a letter from Audrey & Louis Kariel supporting the Harrison County Historical Museum military exhibits being located in Memorial City Hall. He stated that he believes this is a good project, that people will see that the City values the commitment that our Veterans made and that he thinks that the memorials to Veterans should be kept in Memorial City Hall.

Jean Birmingham, 2107 Spring St., President of the Harrison County Historical Museum Board, spoke on behalf of the board regarding Memorial City Hall being used for the military exhibits of the museum. She stated that the museum and the Commission should work together on finding the best place in Memorial City Hall for the exhibits.

Martha Robb, 3301 Victory Dr., spoke regarding a compromise between the Harrison County Historical Museum and the City Commission. The Harrison County Historical Museum will compromise by giving up the second floor for rotating exhibits space. The second floor would be used for reception hall. The rotating exhibits could be moved to the basement. The City's part of this compromise is to allow the museum to continue to use the third floor, and that the museum will pay for the additional cost to prepare the third floor space to the maximum of \$88,000 and will pay the cost attributed to their use of the building, such as electricity. The Historical Museum offers to fund the cost of finishing out the third floor to meet their needs and install a nearly \$400,000 excellent military museum.

Richard Fluker, 21 Linwood, stated that he would like to see the building renovated but he also thinks that the City Commission should honor previous commitments and keep a military museum in the plans.

Narcie Crosby, 211 N. Bolivar, spoke regarding her support of the museum being in Memorial City Hall, but not on the 3rd floor.

Jack Canson, 3109 Victory Dr, believes that the needs for the museum and performance venues are not compatible, and that he is not comfortable with exhibits of war sharing a space with a performance venue.

Sandi Parks, 405 Linoak St., spoke in favor of the Memorial City Hall facility being used as a performance venue and asked that the City consult the people who will be actually using it to make sure that it is something that they will be able to completely access.

William Halliday, 604 Country Club Dr., asked the Commission to consider all of the facets of the ramifications that will take place if they renege on previous Commission's commitments that the City Council had made.

Tony Crosby, 211 N. Bolivar, stated that he is an architect and his opinion is that the museum acted prematurely if they already had the exhibits designed and therefore may have to have them redesigned. He also feels that the compromise discussed by the museum board doesn't appear to be a compromise.

REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

323. **DISCUSSION OF AND CONSIDERATION OF ALLOCATION OF SPACE TO THE HARRISON COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM AT THE MEMORIAL CITY HALL FACILITY.**

Lisa Agnor, City Manager, asked for John Flowers, Architect for Memorial City Hall, to come forward and present his plans on the project.

The Commissioners asked questions of John Flowers regarding this agenda item.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to allocate space for the Harrison County Historical Museum in the basement, second floor, and the wall exhibits in the lobby area of Memorial City Hall. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion.

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding this agenda item.

The motion passed with a vote of 6:0.

324. **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Carter made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

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ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary