

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
JUNE 23, 2022
6:00 PM

Mayor Amy Ware called the Regular meeting to order in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Amy Ware, District 4

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Marvin Bonner, District 1
Reba Godfrey, District 5
Micah Fenton, District 7

Jennifer Truelove, District 3
Amanda Abraham, District 6

ABSENT: Leo Morris, District 2 (excused Motion: Ware Second: Godfrey Vote 6:0)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Terrell Smith, City Manager
Dawn Jones, Finance Director
John Best, Assistant Police Chief
Eric Powell, Public Works Director
Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney
Randy Pritchard, Support Services Director
Nikki Smith, City Secretary/Payroll Accountant
Garnett Johnson, Community Development Director

Christol Hall, HR Manager
Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

156. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Randy Pritchard, 804 Slone Dr., invited the Council and members of the public to attend the Amateur Radio Club, Emergency Service District 3 and the City of Marshall in field exercises on Saturday, June 25, 2022 from 2 PM – 5 PM at 9432 Hwy 80.

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 **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Item F was withdrawn from the Consent Agenda.

158. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Bonner seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the June 9, 2022 Regular meeting.
- B. Consider approval of a resolution authorizing the submittal of a Hazard Mitigation Grant for emergency back-up generators at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, all lift stations, Convention Center; and one mobile generator. (Public Works Director)
- C. Consider approval of a resolution authorizing the City of Marshall to submit an application to the Texas Water Development Board for grant

funding for the Parker Creek Stormwater Project. (Public Works Director)

- D. Consider approval of a resolution designating the City Manager and/or Finance Director as the Authorized Official(s) for required signatures for grants. (Finance Director)
- E. Consider approval to award a contract to provide water and sewer pipe supplies to the City of Marshall. (Public Works Director)

ORDINANCE

159. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14, GARBAGE, TRASH, AND WEEDS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, REVISING THE SCHEDULE OF REFUSE RATES, PROVIDING FOR MONTHLY CHARGES, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2023.

Eric Powell, Public Works Director, asked for approval of a 3% rate increase effective January 1, 2023 as allowed by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) annual adjustment provided for in the Solid Waste Contract with Republic Services.

Councilmembers asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve amending Chapter 14, Garbage, Trash, and Weeds of the Code of Ordinances, revising the schedule of refuse rates, providing for monthly charges, and establishing an effective date of January 1, 2022. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

160. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL BUDGET.

Dawn Jones, Finance Director, asked for approval of an ordinance amending the 2021 Annual Budget.

Councilmembers asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Fenton stepped away during the vote of this item.

Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve an ordinance amending the 2022 annual budget. Councilmember Godfrey seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

161. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE VACANT PROPERTY REGISTRATION ORDINANCE.

Aleena Sepulvado, Code Enforcement Supervisor, explained the changes to the Vacant Property Registration Ordinance and explained the process to accomplish the goals of the ordinance.

Garnett Johnson, Community Development Director, asked for approval of the amended Vacant Property Registration Ordinance.

Councilmembers asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Fenton returned at this point in the meeting.

Councilmember Godfrey made a motion to approve an amendment to the Vacant Property Registration Ordinance. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

RESOLUTION

162. DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF ONE OR MORE DR-4485 HMGP APPLICATIONS TO THE TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, AND COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS.

This item was withdrawn because it was addressed in Item B in the Consent Agenda.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

163. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE 2022 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Eric Powell stated three bids were received for the 2022 Street Improvement Program. Eric Powell explained the reasoning and process for the street order and asked for approval to award a contract for the 2022 Street Improvement Program to Rayford's Truck & Tractor, in the amount of \$1,572,547.50 for the base bid.

Councilmembers asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve awarding a contract for the 2022 Street Improvement Program to Rayford's Truck & Tractor in the amount of \$1,572,547.50. Councilmember Godfrey seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

164. CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR FORMAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMPLETED 100 BLOCK E. HOUSTON ST. REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT, INCLUDING RELEASE OF FINAL PAYMENT AND RETAINAGE TO THE CONTRACTOR.

Eric Powell asked for approval for formal acceptance of the completed 100 block E. Houston St. Redevelopment Project, including release of final payment and retainage to the contractor, Casey Slone.

Councilmember Godfrey made a motion to approve formal acceptance of the completed 100 block of E. Houston St. Redevelopment Project, including release of final payment and retainage to the contractor. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

165. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM YEAR 2022.

Garnett Johnson provided background information on the Community Development Program.

Shameia Ruffins, Community Development Coordinator, stated seven applicants applied for the program, six of which were approved. Shameia Ruffins discussed the requirements for the program.

Garnett Johnson asked for approval of the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2022.

Councilmember Godfrey made a motion to approve the Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2022. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

166. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

F. Consider approval of a resolution of the Marshall City Council setting rates and fees for ambulance service provided by City.

Councilmember Godfrey stated her reasons for withdrawing this item.

Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief, highlighted the proposed changes in the fee schedule.

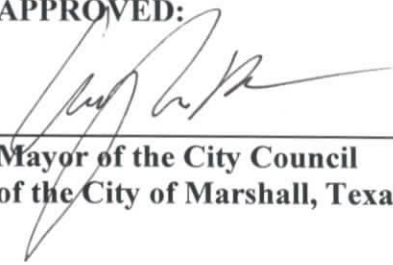
Councilmembers asked questions and discussed.

Councilmember Godfrey made a motion to approve Item F from the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

167. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Godfrey made a motion for adjournment. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City Council
of the City of Marshall, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary

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