

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF WALLER AND HARRIS CITY OF WALLER

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 15th day of April 2024 at 6:00 PM the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas held a meeting in Regular Session at 1218 Farr St. with the following present:

Mayor Danny Marburger Mayor Pro-Tem Dwayne Hajek Councilmember Nancy Arnold Councilmember Don Hart Councilmember Jason Tones Councilmember Sherri Swisher Staff: Cynthia Ward, City Secretary Ryan Short, Finance Officer (Absent) Markus Benoit, Public Works Director

Michael Lopez, Police Chief Phillip Boedecker, City Attorney

Mayor Marburger called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The prayer was led by Councilmember Arnold. The pledge was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Marburger and Councilmembers present.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Please fill out a "Citizen Registration Card" form in order to address the Council. Turn in the form prior to Communications from the Public to the City Secretary. Speakers are limited to three minutes. The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Mayor and City Council on issues that are not on the agenda. The Council cannot take action but may refer this item to a department head or direct that this item be placed on a future regular Council agenda.

Any interested person may appear before the City Council to speak about an item on the agenda. Before the start of the meeting, the person must request such an appearance in writing and identify the agenda item on which he/she wishes to speak. The person will be called to speak when the agenda item comes before the City Council for discussion or action. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

No communications from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

This agenda consists of non-controversial, or "housekeeping" items required by law. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda by any Councilmember making such a request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes for March 18, 2024, Regular Meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Hart seconded the motion. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

2. Discussion and possible action adopting Ordinance #626, approving Budget Amendments for the FY 2022-2023 end of year reconciliations.

ORDINANCE NO. 626

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE ORIGINAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF WALLER, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 2023; PROVIDING LINE ITEM INCREASES OR DECREASES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

Councilmember Arnold motioned to approve. Councilmember Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Discussion and possible action to declare the 1993 GMC 3500 Aerial Truck as surplus and to be taken to auction.

Public Works Director, Markus Benoit noted that the inspection report indicated serious defects due to safety issues and recommended putting this truck out of commission.

Councilmember Tones motioned to approve. Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

 Discussion and possible action to accept the completion of the D Street Sanitary Crossing beginning the 1-year warranty period and approval to issue final payment to ISJ Underground Utilities, LLC.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

5. Discussion and possible action to approve payment of \$279,157.00 from the General Fund Reserve to cover the cost of the Bettis Water Tower (EST) rehab and recoating project.

Mayor Marburger noted that the amount of \$279,157.00 should actually be \$253,365.00 from the General Fund.

Councilmember Tones motioned to approve. Councilmember Hart seconded the motion. Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action to award I&S Tank Services, LLC the Bettis Water Tower (EST) Rehab and Recoating project.

Public Works Director, Markus Benoit noted they had a total of 8 bids and I&S was selected. This bid also includes changing the lettering on the Bois D'Arc Tower to Maroon.

Councilmember Arnold motioned to approve. Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

7. Discussion and possible action to amend the motion made for the body and vehicle cameras from \$183,290.40 to \$277,981.70 to reflect the price for the approved equipment and approval to amend the current police vehicle budget to cover the cost.

Councilmember Tones motioned to approve. Councilmember Hart seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. Discussion and possible action to ratify the contract with Flock Safety for a city-wide camera system.

Police Chief, Michael Lopez noted that the financial impact for the first year would be \$19,400.00 with a recurring fee of \$14,400.00 for a total of \$33,800.00 for 4 cameras.

Councilmember Hart motioned to approve to ratify the contract for a total of \$33,800.00. Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion. Motion passed.

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Marburger noted a Special Meeting will be held on May 2nd at 5 PM.

STAFF REPORTS

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary No report

Markus Benoit, Public Works Director A letter was sent to the Council with updates.

Michael Lopez, Police Chief No report

John Isom, WEDC Director No report

Travis Sellers, City Engineer
Met with EDC to consider sponsoring a Unified Development Code.

ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Not present, no report.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Mayor Marburger adjourned at 7:00 PM.

APPROVED BY:

Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary