



**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF WALLER AND HARRIS
CITY OF WALLER**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 20th day of May 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
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.

Pat Henderson addressed Council asking if the city could create an Ordinance that dogs would not be permitted inside the fenced area of the city park.

Barbara Martin addressed Council regarding the destruction in the City of Waller due to the bad weather and the assistance that is needed by the citizens.

Pamela Sheppard representing the Waller County Historical Society addressed Council seeking permission from council to display items in the museum.

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 April 15, 2024, Regular Meeting.
2. Approval of Minutes for May 2, 2024, Special Meeting & Public Hearing.
3. Approval of refund to Geosouthern Intermediate Holdings for Tax Year 2022 due per WCAD.
4. Approval of refund to Alegacy Development LLC for Tax Year 2023 due per WCAD.

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

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

5. Discussion and possible action to enter into an interlocal cooperation contract (ICC) for failure to appear (FTA) program with Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas (DPS) and Waller Municipal Court.

Judge Gruner noted that the Department of Public Safety (DPS) has revised its current Failure to Appear contract. Texas DPS states that all participants in the Failure to Appear program adhere to the updated terms to ensure the programs continued effectiveness and compliance with relevant legislative requirements within 90 days.

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

6. Discussion and possible action to approve a joint resolution, **Resolution #2024-04** establishing an inter-jurisdictional emergency management program with Harris County.

Resolution # 2024-04

JOINT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN
INTER-JURISDICTIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the Notice of Intent to Withdraw for the Inter-Jurisdictional Emergency Program with Waller County.

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

8. Discussion and possible action to approve **Ordinance #632**, amending Ordinance 284, establishing a program response and recovery phases of comprehensive emergency management with Harris County.

ORDINANCE NO. 632

CITY ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 284, ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM RESPONSE AND RECOVERY PHASES OF COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; ACKNOWLEDGING THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR; AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR; AND PROVIDING FOR THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THOSE OFFICES; IDENTIFYING AN OPERATIONAL ORGANIZATION; GRANTING NECESSARY POWERS TO COPE WITH ALL PHASES OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WHICH THREATEN LIFE AND PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF WALLER; AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE AND MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS FOR RELIEF WORK BETWEEN THIS AND OTHER CITIES OR COUNTIES AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9. Discussion and possible action to approve amending the budget to cover a new fence and approving a change order from Dr. Clay for a gate for the Beacon Hill water tower.

Finance Officer Ryan Short noted that Water Plant #5 needs a change order approval since it has exceeded the \$50,000 limit and would like to use the 190-bond money to cover the additional cost.

Councilmember Tones questioned the increased expense since the charges appeared after the initial quote causing the cost to exceed the \$50,000 limit.

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

10. Discussion and possible action to approve the preliminary plat of Oakwood Estates, Section 4.

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

11. Discussion and possible action to initiate the one-year warranty period for the Natura PCR water line extension along with final payment to Underground Construction Solutions, LLC.

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

12. Discussion and possible action to initiate the one-year warranty period for the Natura PCR force main extension along with final payment to JD Twilla Enterprises, LLC.

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

13. Discussion and possible action of purchasing one Police Department patrol vehicle from Chiefs Pursuit Surplus.

Police Chief Lopez ask this item to be tabled until confirmation can be made that Chiefs Pursuit Surplus is part of the HGAC Buy Board.

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

14. Discussion and possible action of adding an Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs) policy.

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

15. Discussion and possible action to approve the Police Departments recruitment flyer and changing the current police officer's salary to a minimum of \$58,968 yearly.

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

16. Discussion and possible action to approve a take-home vehicle for the Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC).

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

17. Discussion and possible action regarding the Mayor's appointment of an Emergency Management Coordinator.

Mayor Marburger ask Council to appoint Charles Mistic to work as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

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

18. Discussion and possible action regarding the mayor's appointment of a Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayor Marburger appointed Councilmember Jason Tone's to the position of Mayor Pro-Tem.

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

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEM

19. Discussion and possible action to approve the Declaration of Disaster for the City of Waller, Texas.

City Attorney Phillip Boedecker noted this helps with funding and allows the city to put in place a temporary curfew order effective immediately until May 24, 2024.

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

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

No reports

STAFF REPORTS

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
Congratulated Mayor Marburger on 46 years of service.

Michael Lopez, Police Chief
No report

John Isom, WEDC Director
No report

Travis Sellers, City Engineer
No report.

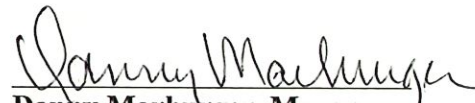
ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Not present, no report.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Mayor Marburger adjourned at 7:10 PM.

APPROVED BY:


Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cynthia Ward, City Secretary

