



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

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 18th day of December 2023 at 6:00 p.m. 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 (Absent)

Staff:
Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
Beatris Sanchez, Deputy City Secretary
Ryan Short, Finance Officer
Markus Benoit, Public Works Director
Michael Lopez, Police Chief
Phillip Boedecker, City Attorney

Mayor Marburger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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.
Councilmember Swisher was absent.*

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 City Council to speak on an item on the agenda. Before the start of the meeting, the person must request such 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 City Council for discussion or action. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

George Evans and Pat Henderson from Briartree Subdivision addressed Council regarding concerns about interruption of gas services.

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 November 20, 2023, Regular Meeting.
2. Approval to move January’s Regular Meeting to Tuesday, January 16th due to Martin Luther King holiday.

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

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt a Financial Management Policy and Procedure to be in compliance with the American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funding.

Finance Officer, Ryan Short addressed Council on approving to adopt the Financial Management Policy and Procedure to comply with state and local funding.

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

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the preliminary plat for Beacon Hill Section 7.

Public Works Director, Markus Benoit addressed Council on approving the preliminary plat for Beacon Hill Section 7. Dr. Clay has reviewed and approved the preliminary plat.

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

5. Discussion and possible action to approve a \$7,500.00 Change order on the Waller St. Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation.

Public Works Director, Markus Benoit addressed Council on approving the change order on the Waller St. Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation near the Civic Center. Due to the weather, the tank was not able to properly be spray painted. The paint will rather have to be rolled paint, costing more money.

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

6. Discussion and possible action to authorize a contract between the City and Woolpert for engineering design services for the Taylor St & Waller-Tomball Rd sidewalk project.

EDC Director, John Isom addressed Council on approving a contract between the City and Woolpert for sidewalk project. The City has been awarded a \$195,114.00 grant. The City will be responsible for \$120,052.05, the remaining cost.

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

7. Discussion and possible action on the WEDC recommendation to reappoint Bill Fendley and Royce Rape to new three-year terms on the board for the years 2024-2026.

EDC Director, John Isom addressed Council on reappointing Bill Fendley and Royce Rape for 3-year terms.

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

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

- **Mayor Marburger**
 - *Addressed Council and the public on a future Special Meeting for the PACE program presentation.*
- **Councilmember Arnold**
 - *Addressed the public on her response from TxDot on the progress on U-turn on 362.*
- **Jason Tones**
 - *Addressed the chief on the vehicles out for repairs and service. The vehicles that are being serviced are not the ones being replaced.*

- *Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek*
- *Addressed the public on a barn fire.*

STAFF REPORTS

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary,

- *No report*

Markus Benoit, Public Works Director

- *No report*

Michael Lopez, Police Chief

- *No report*

John Isom, WEDC Director

- *No report*

Travis Sellers, City Engineer

- *No report*

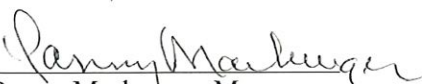
ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Not present, no report.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Mayor adjourned at 6:52 pm.

APPROVED BY:



Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cynthia Ward, City Secretary