

**MINUTES OF THE TELECONFERENCE
REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS
June 23, 2021**

A regular called teleconference meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, June 23, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2nd floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor:	Don Warren
Mayor Pro Tem:	Broderick McGee
Councilmembers:	Linda Sellers
	James Wynne
	Shirley McKellar
	Bob Westbrook
	Brad Curtis
City Manager:	Edward Broussard
Deputy City Manager:	Stephanie Franklin
Asst. City Manager:	Heather Nick
City Attorney:	Deborah G. Pullum
Deputy City Attorney:	Steve Kean
Senior Asst. City Attorney:	April Earley
Senior Asst. City Attorney:	Alesha Buckner
City Prosecutor:	James Craig
Director of Organizational Development:	Regina Y. Moss
Airport Director:	Stephen Thompson
Interim Main Street Director:	Amber Rojas
Managing Director:	ReNissa Wade
Chief Financial Officer:	Keidric Trimble
Chief Information Officer:	Benny Yazdanpanahi
City Fire Chief:	David Coble
City Librarian:	Ashley Taylor
Code Enforcement Manager:	Chris Lennon
Compliance Engineer:	Paul Neuhaus
Operations Manager of Neighborhood Services:	Prentice Butler
Police Chief:	Jimmy Toler
Traffic Engineer:	Cameron Williams
Director of Utilities:	Kate Dietz
Interim Utilities Director:	Doug Box
Chief Building Official:	Tim Johnson
Parks Director:	Leanne Robinette
Director of Solid Waste, Transit:	Leroy Sparrow
Water Business Office Manager:	Jim Yanker
Interim City Engineer:	Jacob Walker, HDR
Manager, Water Utilities System, Operation & Maintenance:	Tim Moore
City Clerk:	Cassandra Brager

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The Invocation was given by Pastor Rodney Curry, College Hill Baptist Church.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Westbrook to approve the May 12, 2021 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Hene; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

AWARDS

A-1 Request that the City Council consider recognizing the following employees for their years of service and commitment to the City of Tyler. At this important milestone, we express our sincere appreciation for your dedication and for the special contribution you make to our organization. They represent 55 years of service with the City of Tyler.

**Nathaniel Anderson, Plant Operator II, 30 years of service
Sherry Pettit, Purchasing Manager, 25 years of service**

ZONING

Z-1 C21-007 GOT INVESTMENTS LLC (AN UNIMPROVED PORTION OF MASSEY AVENUE) Request that the City Council consider approving the closure of an unimproved portion of Massey Avenue. (O-2021-54)

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

Z-2 Z21-016 LUIS CORNEJO (1501 EASY STREET) Request that the City Council consider recommending a zone change from "R-1A", Single-Family Residential District to "AR", Adaptive Reuse District. (O-2021-55)

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Councilmember Westbrook; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

Z-3 Z21-017 CLARK PROPERTIES OF EAST TEXAS (1124 EAST OAKWOOD STREET) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "C-1", Light Commercial District to "R-1B", Single-Family Residential District. (O-2021-56)

Motion by Councilmember Wynne; seconded by Councilmember McGee; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

Z-4 Z21-019 BROWN RICHARD AND CAMILLE (5113 TIMBER CREEK DRIVE) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "POD", Planned Office District to "PMXD-1", Planned Mixed Use District-1 with final site plan. (O-2021-57)

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Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Councilmember Westbrook; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-5 Z21-020 RENTERIA RANFERI AND MARTHA ARELLANO (1109, 1115 AND 1119 WEST FRONT STREET) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "R-MF", Multi-Family Residential District to "R-1D", Single-Family-Detached and Attached Residential District. (O-2021-58)**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Councilmember Wynne; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-6 Z21-021 SOLIS FRANCISCO MANUEL JACOBO (711 EAST EARLE STREET) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "C-2", General Commercial District to "R-1B", Single-Family Residential District. (O-2021-59)**

Motion by Councilmember Wynne; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-7 C21-006 SHIPP INDUSTRIES LLC (AN UNIMPROVED PORTION OF KENSINGTON DRIVE) Request that the City Council consider approving the closure of an unimproved portion of Kensington Drive. (O-2021-60)**

Motion by Councilmember Westbrook; seconded by Councilmember McGee; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-8 PD21-006 BROWNE DIVERSIFIED INTERSTS LLC (421 SOUTH COLLEGE AVENUE) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "RPO", Restricted Professional Office District to "AR", Adaptive Reuse District. (O-2021-61)**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Councilmember Wynne; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-9 PD21-009 MEZAYEK BUILDING LTD (2573 CROW ROAD) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "NR", Neighborhood Residential District to "PMF", Planned Multi-Family District with final site plan. (O-2021-62)**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-10 PD21-011 GENECOV WEST MUD CREEK LLC (8020 HOLLYTREE DRIVE) Request that the City Council consider approving a zone change from "R-1A", Single-Family Residential District to "PUR", Planned Unit Residential District with final site plan. (O-2021-63)**

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Motion by Councilmember Hene; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKellar; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- Z-11 C21-008 LETC VENTURES LLC (IMPROVED PORTION OF OAKLAND AVENUE)**
Request that the City Council consider approving the closure of an improved portion of Oakland Avenue. (O-2021-64)

Motion by Councilmember Wynne; seconded by Councilmember Hene; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

PRESENTATION

- P-1 Request that the City Council consider receiving a presentation from the Cedar Creek Veterans' Foundation to provide an update on the Rose City Airfest to be held July 2-4, 2021 at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport.**

Susan Campbell and Lyn Thomas gave a brief presentation on the Rose City Airfest.

City Council convened for a break at 10:15 am
City Council reconvened from break at 10:24 am.

- P-2 Request that the City Council consider hearing a presentation on redistricting from David Mendez from Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP.**

Mr. David Mendez gave a brief presentation concerning the upcoming redistricting. Dr. Otis Webster, Rubye Kendrick, Mike Starr, Eleno Licea, David Stein, Dr. Pamela Phoenix, and Brenda McWilliams spoke on the redistricting.

RESOLUTION

- R-1 Request that the City Council consider adoption of a Resolution ratifying the City Manager's submission of an application and acceptance for Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Grant Funds totaling \$891,675.00 to fund 100% of the costs to purchase an Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Vehicle for Tyler Pounds Regional Airport. (R-2021-34)**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKellar; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

ORDINANCE

- O-1 Request that the City Council consider adopting an Ordinance amending Tyler Chapter 7 by clarifying the powers and duties of the Neighborhood Services Department, Building Inspection Department and Code Enforcement Department in the substandard building process, amending definitions, updating the Voluntary Demolition Program, clarifying emergency demolition responsibility, updating the substandard building process, removing references to the City Council, and making other corrections and amendments. (O-2021-65)**

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Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Councilmember Wynne; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

MISCELLANEOUS

- M-1 Request that City Council consider declaring Harvey Convention Center's equipment, valued at \$74,816.00, as surplus and authorize the donation of the items to Camp Tyler for use.**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKellar; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-2 Request that City Council consider declaring Harvey Convention Center's equipment, valued at \$3,543.00 as surplus and authorize the donation of the items to NET Health for use.**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem McKellar; seconded by Councilmember McGee; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-3 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute a BuyBoard contract with Vortex Companies for the lining of a storm sewer pipe along College Avenue between 4th Street and 5th Street in the amount of \$97,682.60. Mayor Warren abstain**

Motion by Councilmember Wynne; seconded by Councilmember McGee; motion carried 6 - 0-1 & approved as presented.

- M-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing an amendment to the original consulting services agreement with Fitzpatrick Architects in the amount of \$578,103.60 for design, construction plan development and construction oversight for the purpose of building Phase I of the Rose Complex Master Plan, based on 8% of total construction cost.**

Motion by Councilmember McGee; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKellar; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- B-1 Request that the City Council consider appointing a member to the Half Cent Sales Tax Board.**

Motion by Councilmember Hene to appoint Thomas Smith; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

CONSENT

(These items are considered to be routine or have been previously discussed, and can be approved in one motion, unless a Council Member asks for separate consideration of an item.)

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- C-A-1 Request that the City Council consider adopting a Resolution to authorize the City Manager to exercise and to delegate signature authority for application for all Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) grants for Tyler Transit, along with the acceptance, administration and use thereof and the acceptance of all Transportation Development Credits (TDC), any grant amendments and additional TDCs to increase the grant funding levels and reduce the local match requirements, and to take all necessary actions related thereto. (R-2021-35)**
- C-A-2 It is recommended that City Council consider ratifying expenditures in the amount of \$109,500 for work performed by Elite Refinishers of Longview, Texas for emergency flooring repairs at the Glass Recreation Center due to water damage caused by the 2021 Winter Storm.**
- C-A-3 Request that the City Council consider ratifying staff action for Addendum 1 to heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) contract with Aire-Serv of Smith County and the City of Tyler to remove the Harvey Hall Center from this service contract.**
- C-A-4 Request that the City Council consider adopting an ordinance amending Tyler City Code Chapter 12 to amend land lease rates for areas surrounding the North Terminal Site at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport, as previously presented to and approved by the City Council on April 28, 2021. (O-2021-34 same Ord number as the item on April 28,2021)**
- C-A-5 Request that the City Council consider ratifying the appointment of the Director of Parks and Recreation.**
- C-A-6 Request that the City Council consider ratifying the appointment of the Director of the Tyler Pounds Regional Airport.**
- C-A-7 Request that the City Council consider ratifying the appointment of the Director of Organizational Development.**
- C-A-8 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the Police Department to seek grant funding from the Department of Justice; Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) in the amount not to exceed \$34,000.00 for the purchase of equipment. (R-2021-36)**

Motion by Councilmember Westbrook; seconded by Councilmember Mc Gee; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. The City of Tyler is accepting applications for City Boards and Commissions. The deadline to apply is Aug. 6. Appointments will be made by the City Council at their Sept. 8 meeting. Members of a City Board should generally be City of Tyler residents. Except as otherwise set forth herein, the City Council retains the discretion to appoint any person that it deems to be qualified to serve on a particular City Board if the appointee is either a City of Tyler resident or is a resident of Smith County, Texas. There may be additional requirements for some board positions


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2. Police Boat Update: The boat has been serviced, painted and stripped (graphics wrap). In the next few days, the lights should be installed and we will hopefully be ready for July 4th weekend. Officers are scheduled to attend a training course associated with lake patrol and operations next week. We look forward to doing our part to make lake a safe and enjoyable space for family fun. Again, a special "Thank You" to Tyler Water Utilities for making this boat available to the Police Department.

3. The Tyler Parks and Recreation Department is gearing up to host the annual July Fourth Celebration at Lindsey Park on Sunday, July 4. Gates will open at 2 p.m. for families to come out to enjoy a variety of vendors and food trucks. The firework show will begin after dark, at around 9 p.m. Vendors and food trucks can still register to get a part of the event until June 28.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Curtis to adjourn the meeting at 11:48 am; seconded by Councilmember Wynne; motion carried 7 - 0 & meeting adjourned.


DONALD P WARREN, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:


CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

