

**MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 16, 2021
CITY ANNEX BUILDING 509 W. BROADWAY FRITCH, TEXAS
6:00PM**

All agenda items are subject to action. The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

1. Call to Order Regular Session.

- Mayor Richard Hein called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. All City Council Members were present. Employees present: City Manager Drew Brassfield and Public Works Director Brent Sheets. EDC President Kim Lindley was also present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

- Alderman Jeremy Rice led the invocation and Mayor Hein led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Open forum – Comments/Concerns from Citizens.

Individual citizen comments are normally limited to five (5) minutes (time limits can be adjusted by the Mayor). The purpose of this item is to allow citizens an opportunity to address the City Council regarding any topic not on the agenda. By State law, the City Council is not allowed to respond to comments and questions asked of them by an open forum speaker. Any response by a member of the City Council must be limited to referring the matter to staff, a statement of specific factual information/ recitation of existing policy, or a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda for a future City Council meeting.

- No one signed up to speak in Open Forum.

4. Consent Items:

This section shall provide for items that require action by the council, but where little or no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmative majority vote, items under this section are approved without further discussion or action. Any council member desiring more discussion on an item may request an item be withdrawn for separate discussion and action.

A. Approve minutes of the following meetings: 10/19/21 Regular Session

- Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins made a motion to accept the consent item as presented. Alderman Tom Ray seconded. Vote 5/0. Motion passed.

5. City Staff & Affiliated Entities Reports

A. E.D.C. Report – President Kim Lindley and/or Director Suzanne Bellsnyder

- Financial Report
- Business Activities
- EDC Committees

B. City Secretary Report – Christina Athey

- Financial Updates (Payment Journal, General, Public Works, Debt, EDC, Sales Tax, Utilities Revenue, Fund Balance)

C. City Manager Report – Drew Brassfield

- Updates on Activities within City Departments (AC/Code, Fire, Court1, Court2, Police, Public Works)
- Updates on On-going Projects (FLAP FAQ)

6. New business:

A. Discussion and possible action regarding amending Crime Control and Prevention District Budget for enhanced information systems program purchase.

- Mayor Pro Tem Robbins made a motion to approve the budget amendment as presented. Alderman Rice seconded. Vote 5/0. Motion passed.

B. Discussion and possible action regarding Fritch Volunteer Fire Department grant and budget amendment.

- After some discussion from the Council regarding amending the revenue portion of the general fund to match the amended expense portion, Alderman Jim Story made a motion to approve the proposed budget amendment *as amended*. Mayor Pro Tem Robbins seconded. Vote 5/0. Motion passed.

C. Discussion and possible action regarding future of museum.

- Susan Bell, Velois Bell, and Tena Hays requested to give a short presentation to the Council regarding this topic. The ladies presented some signs and letters made by SFISD Elementary students expressing their desire to keep the museum open. These ladies informed the Council that they have been working to assemble volunteers and a plan to operate the museum and requested more time to complete this effort. Following discussion from all Council members, this matter was tabled to the February 2022 regular meeting.

D. Discussion and possible action regarding wastewater treatment facility and associated funding.

- Mayor Hein presented a spreadsheet regarding future projections of City revenue and discussed the importance of reimbursing the City on the water rights purchase from earlier in the calendar year. Frugal spending, financing options, and the need to cut back on capital expenditures were all discussed. The reimbursement aspect was requested to be on the December agenda. No motions were made as this was a discussion-only topic.

E. Discussion regarding request from Jay Perdue to disannex Perdue's Prairie.

(Emailed Request, Ordinance Annexing Property, Exhibits A & B, TML Annexation Paper)

- This matter was tabled. No discussion.

7. Executive Session— The City Council will convene into executive session in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §551.071 to seek the advice of the city attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or as required under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas.

- Due to the City Attorney waiting on the Council, Mayor Hein moved this item to immediate follow the invocation and pledge. Mayor Hein called the Council into Executive Session at 6:01pm.

8. Reconvene into Open Session to take action, if necessary, regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.

- A.** The Council reconvened into open session at 6:17pm. No action taken.

9. Mayoral/council member announcements.

- A. Alderman Rice conveyed his appreciation to the Fritch Police Department for their work on the recent robbery and burglary cases in town.

10. Future agenda items.

- A. Mayor Hein requested that a budget amendment to remove the TxDOT Sidewalk Grant from the revenue and expense portions of the General Fund be on the December agenda.

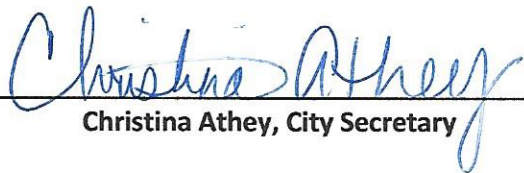
11. Adjournment.

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

READ, PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of December, 2020.



Mayor Richard Hein



Christina Athey, City Secretary