

MINUTES

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2024

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in a called Regular Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall on October 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

Councilmembers Present (City Hall & Zoom):

Mayor Clyde C. Hairston
Carol Strain-Burk
Stanley M. Jaglowski
Marco Mejia [Zoom]
Derrick Robinson
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell Cheatham
Mayor Pro Tem Betty Gooden-Davis

City Staff Present (City Hall & Zoom):

Opal Mauldin-Jones, City Manager
Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary
David Ritter, City Attorney
Carey D. Neal Jr., Deputy City Manager
Chris Youngman, Emergency Management and Communication Chief
Dori Lee, Assistant City Manager
Jermaine Sapp, Director of Equipment and Facility Services
Kenneth Johnson, Fire Chief
Michael Delmore, Chief Financial Officer
Sam Urbanski, Police Chief
Vicki Coleman, Director of Development Services
Anthony Medcalf, Fleet Superintendent
Camryn Thompson, Assistant to the City Manager
Greg Carrell, Assistant to the City Manager
Jennifer Avila, Deputy City Secretary
Ron Gleaves, IT Manager
Stephanie Renteria, Administrative Assistant, City Secretary
Vershurn Ford, Community and Public Relations Director

Call to Order:

Mayor Hairston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 14, 2024.

Invocation:

Reverend John Richardson, Zion Primitive Baptist Church gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Councilmember Jaglowski led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Testimony/Citizen's Comments:

Saran Sanchez, 1734 S. Houston School Rd. Lancaster, TX 75146 explained her absence from recent board meetings and requested reconsideration of her continued participation on the Lancaster State Auxiliary Museum Advisory Board.

Carolyn Washington, 1418 Kentucky Ave., Lancaster, TX 75134, inquired about the historical context surrounding whether the Municipal Court Building was dedicated to Veterans.

Vershurn Ford, 211 N. Henry St., Lancaster, TX 75146, informed the Council about upcoming community events, including Coffee with Council, the homecoming parade, the Texas Coalition Low-Cost Pet Vaccine Clinic, and the Annual City of Lancaster Boo Bash. He also highlighted October as Breast Cancer Awareness and Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Consent Agenda:

- 1. Consider the approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on September 9, 2024, the Special Meeting held on September 16, 2024, and the Regular Meeting held on September 23, 2024.**
- 2. Consider a resolution canceling the City Council Regular Meeting of November 25, 2024; Regular Meeting of December 23, 2024; and Work Session of January 20, 2025.**
- 3. Consider a resolution authorizing the purchase of eighteen (18) Flock Safety Falcon License Plate Readers (LPR) from Flock Safety for an initial amount not to exceed sixty-one thousand two hundred dollars and zero cents (\$61,200.00) with an annual fee not to exceed fifty-four thousand dollars and no cents.**
- 4. Consider a resolution authorizing Dallas County to resell 2511 Suffolk Lane, Lancaster, Texas 75143, a tax foreclosed property, by public or private sale, to the highest qualified purchaser, as provided by Section 34.05 of the Texas Property Tax Code**

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Gooden-Davis made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Cheatham to approve consent items C1 to C4 with the corrections on C1, September 9, 2024 Minutes reflecting Action on page 3 item 14. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

Action:

- 5. Discuss and consider declaring a certain board, commission or committee position vacant due to excessive absences.**

MOTION: Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gooden-Davis to retain the member in their current board position. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

- 6. Discuss and consider the City's nomination of up to five candidates to serve on the Dallas Central Appraisal District (DCAD), Board of Directors.**

City Manager Mauldin-Jones gave a staff report on action item 6.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Gooden-Davis made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Strain-Burk to nominate Mayor Hairston. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

Executive Session:

7. 1. In accordance with Chapter 551 Section 551.074 (a) 1 of the Texas Government Code (the Texas Open Meetings Act), the City Council shall convene in executive session to deliberate the appointment, employment evaluation duties or dismissal of a public officer, to wit: the Municipal Judge.
2. In accordance with Chapter 551 Section 551.074 (a) 1 of the Texas Government Code (the Texas Open Meetings Act), the City Council shall convene in executive session to deliberate the appointment, employment evaluation duties or dismissal of a public officer, to wit: the City Manager.
3. In accordance with Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code (the Texas Open Meetings Act), the City Council shall convene in executive session to receive legal advice from the City Attorney to wit: real estate development/Municipal Utility District.
4. In accordance with Sections 551.074 and 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, (the Texas Open Meetings Act), the City Council shall convene in executive session to deliberate the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties and discipline of duties of an employee (personnel), and to receive legal advice from the City Attorney regarding the same.
8. Reconvene into open session. Consider and take appropriate action(s), if any, on closed/executive session matters.

The City Council recessed for Executive Session at 7:22 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 9:12 p.m.

No action on item 7.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Cheatham made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Strain-Burk to adjourn. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Mejia, absent)

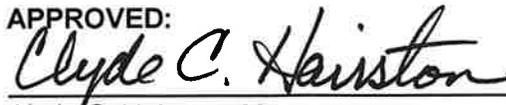
The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

ATTEST:



Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Clyde C. Hairston, Mayor