

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 20th DAY OF APRIL 2021, IN THE CITY HALL, LOCATED AT 1212 AVENUE M, IN THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, COUNTY OF WALKER, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M.

The Council met in a workshop and regular session with the following:

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Daiquiri Beeb, Blake Irving (*arrived at 5:38 pm*), Russell Humphrey, Dee Howard Mullins, Joe P. Rodriquez, Andy Brauning, Pat Graham, Vickie McKenzie

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Bert Lyle

OFFICERS PRESENT: Aron Kulhavy, City Manager; Terri Johnson, Interim City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney (*arrived at 5:51 pm*)

WORKSHOP [5:30 P.M.] City Council received information on Public Transportation.

MAIN SESSION [6 P.M.]

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Brauning called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

U.S. Flag and Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one, and indivisible.

Councilmember Irving gave the invocation and Mayor Brauning led the pledges.

PROCLAMATIONS

75th Anniversary of the Melvin White VFW Post 5871

Fair Housing Month

Child Abuse Prevention Month

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Public Comments will be called for by the presiding officer before action is taken on these items. (*Approval of Consent Agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendations. An item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion by request of a member of Council.*)

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 6, 2021; the special City Council meeting held April 12, 2021; and the special City Council meeting held April 13, 2021. [Terri Johnson, Interim City Secretary]
- b. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with TRT Abatement, LLC to provide demolition services for the abatement of substandard structures. [Kevin Byal, Director of Development Services/Building Official]
- c. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc. for the construction of Jenkins Road Widening Project, No. PD2020-01-02. [Y.S. "Ram" Ramachandra, City Engineer]

Councilmember McKenzie made a motion to approve the consent agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Humphrey. The motion was adopted, 8-0.

2. CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY

- a. Consider approving appointment of Dalene Zender for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number One Board of Directors. [Andy Brauning, Mayor]

Mayor Brauning made a motion to approve the reappointment of Dalene Zender for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number One Board of Directors; the motion was unanimously adopted with a vote of 8-0.

Councilmember McKenzie announced that the Huntsville Public Library will resume its normal service hours and increase the number of services offered starting Monday, May 10, 2021. Library hours will revert to 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. All visitors are still encouraged to wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines. For more information, please contact the Huntsville Public Library at 936-291-5472.

Councilmember Graham provided information about the Cheers to 10 years! Street fair from 9:00 am to 5 pm and the Wine Down Shop Small wine and food tasting from 5pm to 9pm on May 8, 2021 on the Square in Downtown Huntsville hosted by the Downtown Business Alliance.

Councilmember Beebe announced that the Community Peace Coalition is hosting a Community Basketball Tournament from 6 pm to 8 pm on Friday, May 21, 2021 and from 9am to 4pm on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at Emancipation Park at 300 Martin Luther King Boulevard. Registration fees \$25 per team member or \$200 per team. For more information and to register, call 936-272-0021 or 936-252-1414 or visit CommunityPeaceCoalition.org. She added that the Huntsville Independent School District is having a special bond election and early voting at the Walker County Storm Shelter through April 27th. Election day is May 1st.

Councilmember Humphrey mentioned the Sam Houston State University Football team is undefeated in their division.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. City Council will adjourn into executive session under Texas Government Code Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney – Update on ADG matter.
- b. City Council will adjourn into executive session under Texas Government Code Section 551.087 – Deliberation Regarding Economic Development: Project Zinc.
- c. City Council will adjourn into executive session under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters: Regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, concerning the position of City Secretary.

The Council convened into Executive Session at 6:49 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

The Council reconvened in open session at 7:44 p.m. Councilmember Beebe made a motion to appoint Kristy Doll as the City Secretary subject to her acceptance of the position; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Graham. The vote was unanimous, and the motion was adopted, 8-0.

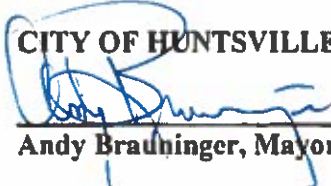
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brauninger adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:45 p.m.

Ashley Newsome, Deputy City Secretary

ATTEST:


Terri Johnson, Interim City Secretary

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

Andy Brauninger, Mayor

