

HEWITT TEXAS

**MINUTES OF A CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
HEWITT PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY – TRAINING ROOM
100 PATRIOT COURT
October 18, 2021 – 7:00 PM**

Attendee Name	Title	Absent	Present	Arrived
Steve Fortenberry (presiding)	Mayor, Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Michael S. Bancale	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bill Fuller	Council Member, Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bob Potter	Council Member, Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wilbert "Walky" Wachtendorf	Council Member, Ward 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Charles D. Turner	Council Member, Ward 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Erica Bruce	Council Member, Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Staff present:

City Manager Bo Thomas
City Attorney Michael W. Dixon
City Engineer Miles Whitney
City Secretary Lydia Lopez
Evidence Tech Lindsey Barlett
Fire Chief Lance Bracco
Police Chief Jim Devlin

Note: The meeting was open to the public and live-streamed for view on the City's FaceBook page. Citizens had the opportunity to speak in person or submit written comments to the City Secretary.

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM and noted all Council Members were in attendance, except for Council Member Wilbert "Walky" Wachtendorf.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. The City Council invites citizens to speak to the Council on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not posted on the agenda. **NOTE:** Citizens had the opportunity to submit written comments on items listed on the agenda or any topic. Mayor Steve Fortenberry inquired if anyone had requested to address the Council. City Secretary Lydia Lopez noted no one submitted any public comment forms. No one appeared.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2021.**
MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved approval of the meeting minutes as presented but to allow for corrections.
SECOND: Council Member Bill Fuller
AYES: Fuller, Potter, Bruce, Turner, Bancala, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Wachtendorf
MOTION PASSED.

- 2. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT FROM CITY ENGINEER MILES WHITNEY, P.E.**
 - **Update on pending utility projects.**
 - **Update on pending street projects.**
 - **Update on pending drainage projects.**General discussion concerning Ritchie Road/Concrete Paving Project. This item will be brought back for further action if needed.

- 3. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION CONCERNING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.** City Manager Bo Thomas advised that Finance Director Lee Garcia previously sent the September Financial Statements electronically on October 11, 2021, and inquired if Council had any questions. There were no questions or concerns raised. **No action required.**

- 4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.** City Manager Bo Thomas presented a summary of report prepared by Valley View Consulting, L.L.C.
MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved approval of the Quarterly Investment Report as of September 30, 2021.
SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter
AYES: Fuller, Potter, Bruce, Turner, Bancala, and Fortenberry
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Wachtendorf
MOTION PASSED.

5. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 2021-09 APPROVING FINANCING TERMS WITH BRANCH BANK & TRUST COMPANY, NOW TRUIST BANK.** City Manager Bo Thomas presented.

MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-09** approving financing with Branch Banking & Trust Company, now Truist Bank, for a term of four years at 1.23%.

SECOND: Council Member Bill Fuller

AYES: Fuller, Potter, Bruce, Turner, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Wachtendorf

MOTION PASSED.

6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) MEASURES, PROTOCOLS, AND MITIGATION EFFORTS.** City Manager Bo Thomas stated there was nothing new to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Steve Fortenberry announced the City Council would recess the Regular Meeting to convene into executive session at 7:43 PM pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained therein:

7. A closed meeting will be held pursuant to *Section 551.071 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.)* so that the City Council can seek and receive legal advice and counsel from its attorneys regarding pending or threatened litigation, settlement offers, resolution of claims, or other matters for which the attorneys' duties to their client under the Texas State Bar Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

Mayor Steve Fortenberry reconvened the Regular Meeting and adjourned the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION: Council Member Bill Fuller moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Charlie Turner

AYES: Fuller, Potter, Bruce, Turner, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None

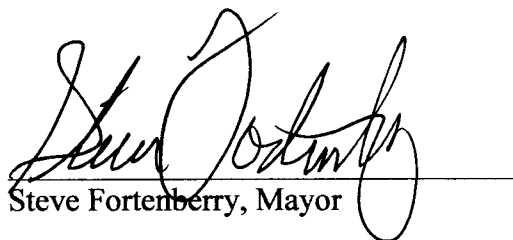
ABSENT: Wachtendorf

MOTION PASSED.

Approved: 11-01-2021

ATTEST:


Lydia Lopez, City Secretary


Steve Fortenberry, Mayor