

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2019
6:00 PM

Mayor Terri Brown called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Terri Brown, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Marvin Bonner, District 1
Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Doug Lewis, District 7

Amy Ware, District 4
Larry Hurta, District 6

ABSENT: Gail Beil, District 2

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Rohr, City Manager	Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief
Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney	Cliff Carruth, Police Chief
Jack Redmon, Support Services Director	
Randy Pritchard, Support Services Superintendant	
Wes Morrison, Community & Economic Development Director	
Elaine Altman, City Secretary/Finance Director	
Eric Powell, Public Works Director	
Mallori James, Tourism & Cultural Arts Director	

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Mayor Brown & Izac Aguirre, Kindergarten student at David Crockett Elementary

308. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Leo Morris, 505 S. Carter, spoke regarding the animal shelter adoption center.

Vicki Brooks, 5963 Harris Lake, spoke regarding the importance of an animal shelter.

Jana Hernandez, 5192 Buck Sherrod, spoke regarding the animal shelter adoption center.

Kenneth Moon, 704 S. Carter, spoke regarding the animal shelter adoption center and representation in District 2.

Amanda Smith, 38 Pine Burr Circle, spoke regarding the animal shelter adoption center.

Ed Smith, 38 Pine Burr Circle, spoke regarding former City Attorney Todd Fitts.

309. **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

There were no items withdrawn from the Consent Agenda.

310. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Hurta seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the November 7, 2019 Special-Called meeting.
- B. Report the status of the Memorial City Hall renovation project.
- C. Monthly financial report.
- D. Code Enforcement Report.

ORDINANCE

311. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 14, GARBAGE, TRASH, AND WEEDS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, REVISING THE SCHEDULE OF REFUSE RATES, PROVIDING FOR MONTHLY CHARGES, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2020.

Eric Powell, Public Works Director, asked for approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 14, Garbage, Trash, and Weeds of the Code of Ordinances, revising the schedule of refuse rates by 2.7%, providing for monthly charges, and establishing an effective date of January 1, 2020.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve the Ordinance amending Chapter 14, Garbage, Trash, and Weeds of the Code of Ordinances, revising the schedule of refuse rates by 2.7%, providing for monthly charges, and establishing an effective date of January 1, 2020. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

RESOLUTION

312. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CREATING A CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER WHAT CHANGES TO MAKE TO THE CHARTER AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY COMMISSION.

Mark Rohr, City Manager, presented a resolution creating a Charter Review Committee. He explained the duties and responsibilities of the committee.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve the resolution creating a Charter Review Committee. Mayor Brown seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

313. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENTS OF TWO COMMISSIONERS TO SERVE AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS.

Mark Rohr stated each commissioner will appoint one member to the seven-member Charter Review Committee. The Commission will also appoint two commissioners to serve as ex-officio members.

Mayor Brown appoints Diane Seal.
Commissioner Hurta appoints Garrett Boersma.
Commissioner Calhoun appoints Angelita Jackson.
Commissioner Bonner appoints Herbert Johnson.
Commissioner Lewis appoints Stacia Runnels.
Commissioner Ware appoints Scott Carlile.

Commissioners Calhoun and Ware previously expressed interest in the committee and will be the ex-officio members.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to approve appointments to the Charter Review Committee. Commissioner Hurta seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

314. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL ADOPTION CENTER CONSULTING SERVICES TO ASSIST WITH THE DESIGN/BUILD PROCESS.

Mark Rohr asked for approval of an agreement with Shelter Planners of America for animal adoption center consulting services to assist with the Design/Build Process at a cost of \$45,950. He stated this firm was unanimously recommended by the Adoption Center Advisory Board. Mark informed the Commission Harrison County is reevaluating their contribution.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve an agreement with Shelter Planners of America for animal adoption center consulting services to assist with the Design/Build Process at a cost of \$45,950. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion.

Commissioners engaged in further discussion.

This item passed with a vote of 6:0.

315. PRESENTATION OF AND DISCUSSION OF A DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Mark Rohr presented a downtown redevelopment plan. He stated there are four components to the plan: streetscaping, building improvements, parking and events. Phase one of the plan will cost approximately \$2 million and will include the creation of a green space, outdoor theater and a pavement fountain/interactive water feature.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Mayor Brown and Commissioners Calhoun, Hurta and Ware indicated a desire to move forward with this plan.

316. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items withdrawn from the Consent Agenda.

317. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lewis made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 6:0.

APPROVED:



**Mayor of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:



City Secretary

Ordinance: O-19-22

Resolution: R-19-27