

CITY OF WEST LAKE HILLS, TEXAS
MINUTES OF A CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

With a quorum present, Mayor Vaughan called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Mayor James Vaughan
Mayor Pro Tem Gordon Bowman
Dana Harmon
Brian Plunkett
Beth South
Darin Walker

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

City Administrator Trey Fletcher
City Secretary Terry Blanchard (remote)
Finance Director Vonda Ragsdale
Director of BDS Jennifer Bills
Chief of Police Scott Gerdes
City Attorney Josh Brockman-Weber

2. Citizen Communications The City Council welcomes public comments at this point on any issue. If the issue is listed on the agenda, the speaker may choose to comment during the Public Comment period or when the specific agenda item is taken up by the Council later in the meeting. The Council cannot respond to or discuss matters not listed on the agenda. The Council may provide factual information, refer the item to a staff member, or request the item be added to a future meeting agenda. Speakers shall limit their comments to five (5) minutes each.

Mayor Vaughan opened the meeting for public comments. Hearing none, the public comment section was closed.

3. Proclamation Mayor to proclaim the month of September as National Preparedness Month in the City of West Lake Hills, Texas.

Mayor read proclamation.

4. Consent Agenda All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one (1) motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless requested by a Council Member.

- a. Approval of the August 14, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- b. Approval of a resolution denying Texas Gas Service Company's requested rate increase and requiring the company to reimburse the City's reasonable ratemaking expenses.
- c. Approval of an ordinance prohibiting parking along the east side of Westhaven Drive and along the east side of McConnell Drive during certain school hours.

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Plunkett and a second by Councilmember Bowman, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. Police Receive a presentation regarding Flock license plate reader cameras.

Kristen MacLeod with Flock gave a presentation remotely. Cameron was available to answer questions at the meeting. Key issues discussed included:

- Recordings delete after 30 days (unless officer downloads a copy)
- No facial recognition or retained personal information/data
- Data is owned by the City
- Mayor requested information on quantifiable data showing increase from using data collected through Flock
- Data sharing between agencies is possible
- Unreadable license plates create a vehicle "fingerprint" in system
- Notices to residents are not required, but may be utilized with introduction to the service

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Plunkett and a second by Councilmember South, the Council voted four (4) for and one (1) opposed to approve adding funds to the FY 2024-25 budget and to continue reviewing options prior to contract implementation. Voting against the motion was Bowman. Motion carried.

6. Finance Discuss and consider action on the FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget.

Finance Director Ragsdale gave a brief summary. Discussed reserves and reimbursements. Reminder given regarding upcoming meetings in September.

7. Administration Discussion and update on bond items regarding Proposition A (new municipal complex) and Proposition B (street and drainage projects).

Steven Karp gave a presentation on Proposition A. Reviewed the slab pour, steel construction, and north detention pond.

Director Bills gave an update on Proposition B.

8. Administration Discussion and possible action regarding prioritization and expectations of the City Council Focus Areas regarding economic development/wastewater.

City Administrator Fletcher gave a presentation on economic development. Susan Turreta gave a presentation on wastewater.

9. Executive Session In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq, the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:

- a. Section 551.071 - Consultation with the attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, or settlement offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, re: City of West Lake Hills v. the following:

1. Jaffe - 1405 Wildcat Hollow;
2. Alvarez - 1505 Wildcat Hollow;
3. 1836 Real Estate, LLC - 707 Butler Cove; and
4. Equity Secured Investment, Inc - 4301 Bee Cave Road.

b. Section 551.074 - Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee - Associate Municipal Judge.

Council convened into Executive Session at 8:37 p.m.

10. Executive Session Reconvene into Open Session and take action if and as deemed appropriate in the City Councils' discretion regarding consultation with attorney and deliberation regarding an Associate Municipal Judge.

Council reconvened in Open Session at 9:04 p.m. No action was taken.

11. Adjournment

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Walker and a second by Councilmember South, the Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



JAMES VAUGHAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Terry Blanchard, TRMC
City Secretary



These minutes were approved on September 11, 2024.