

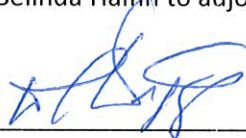
City of Wallis  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Wednesday, September 16, 2020

This is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting for the City of Wallis, Texas held on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 6:00pm.


1. Call to Order – Mayor Diggs called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance- Led by Councilmember Belinda Halfin
3. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum – A quorum was present. Present were Councilmember James King, Councilmember Bernadette Parr, Councilmember Belinda Halfin and Mayor Diggs. Councilmembers Clark Main Jr. and Councilmember Felix Galvan Jr. were absent. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. arrived at 6:58pm.
4. Communication from the Public – None
5. Consent Agenda – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Bernadette Parr to approve the minutes from August 19,2020 meeting. Moton passed with 3 yes votes.
6. Department Reports
  - a. Public Works Report – No action
  - b. Police Department Report – No action
  - c. Municipal Court Report – No action
  - d. Code Enforcement Report – No action
7. Financial Review – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve the financial review and payment of bills. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.
8. Business
  - a. Ordinance #234 – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve and adopt Ordinance # 234, an Ordinance approving and adopting the City of Wallis, Texas Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Motion passed with 3 yes votes

- b. Ordinance #235 – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Bernadette Parr to approve and adopt Ordinance #234, an Ordinance providing for the levy and collection of AD Valorem taxes of the City of Wallis. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.
  
- c. Agenda Request – Justin Eschenburg – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember James King to grant a variance for set back lines for construction at 6<sup>th</sup> and Gresham. Variance for Front setback lines from 25ft to 15ft and side setback lines from 15ft to 10ft. and to replat the lots into 2 lots. Motion passed with 3 yes votes.
  
- d. Agenda Request Srimi Gottipati, Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to grant the variance for a water well on property located on FM 1952 for agriculture use and aquaponics use only as long as there are Backflow preventors installed, annual inspections and testing, cost of inspections and testing will be the responsibility of the owner. Motion passed with 3 yes votes, Councilmember James King, Councilmember Belinda Halfin and Councilmember Bernadette Parr. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. strongly opposed.
  
- e. Agenda Request from Srimi Gottipati, - No action. Mr. Gottipati plans to build townhomes on property on Columbus Road. Councilmembers ask Mr. Gottipati to come back to the next council meeting with development plans.
  
- f. Agenda Request, Dora Martinez- Mrs. Martinez ask to withdraw her request.
  
- g. Enterprise Leasing Program – Presentation by Josh Brod from Enterprise Leasing about a leasing program for city vehicles. Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Clark Main Jr. to approve moving forward with putting a contract together for leasing city vehicles through the Enterprise Leasing Program. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.
  
- h. Engineering Contract – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Clark Main Jr. not to approve the contract with John D. Mercer and Associates and rescind the award of Professional Engineering Services for the 2020 CDBG-MIT project from John D. Mercer & Associates/ Lynn Engineering. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.
  
- i. Early Voting Clerks – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Bernadette Parr to appoint Sheila Moseley and Michelle Stavinoha as Early Voting Clerks. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.

- j. Early Voting Hours – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Clark Main Jr. to set October 26<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup> as the two days for extended hours for early voting, 7:00am to 7: pm. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.
  - k. Election Judge and Clerks – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Clark Main Jr. to approve Jo Gamble as Election Judge, Mary Wix and Dianne Sliva as Election Clerk for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> City Elections. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.
  - l. EDC Updates – Motion made by Councilmember Bernadette Parr, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve the appointment of Marti Turner Frost as a board member to the EDC. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.
  - m. Street and Drainage Updates – No action
  - n. Future Agenda Items  
Townhome Development Plan
9. Adjourn Meeting – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. Motion passed with 4 yes votes.



Dennis Diggs, Mayor



Sheila Moseley, City Secretary