

City of Wallis
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 17, 2021

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, November 17, 2021 at 6:00pm.

1. Call to Order – Mayor Diggs called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Councilmember Daniel Martinez
3. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum – A quorum was present. Present were Councilmember James King, Councilmember Bernadette Parr, Councilmember Daniel Martinez, Councilmember Melissa McFarland and Mayor Diggs. Absent, Councilmember Clark Main Jr.
4. Communication from the public – Bernie Garner donated a wireless display connection kit to the Police Department/City.

Adam Krol read a letter addressed to Mayor and Council expressing his opinion regarding city employees.

5. Consent Agenda – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Melissa McFarland to approve minutes with correction made to item I regarding wording of cost of living pay adjustment and adding the amount of 5% to the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Department Reports –

- a. Public Works monthly reports – No action
- b. Police Department monthly report – No action

Motion made by Councilmember Melissa McFarland to go into closed session on Personnel Matters, Gov Code 551.074 (deliberate regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, or dismissal of the Police Chief/ Interim City Administrator and Gov. Code 551.071 Consultation with Attorney regarding possible litigation and pending investigation, second by Councilmember Daniel Martinez. No vote was called for. Council went into Executive Closed Session at 6:20pm, after Council was in Closed Session Chambers, as advised by the City Attorney, Art Pertile via phone conversation that they could not go into closed session on this matter due to the fact that it was not posted 72 hours in advance. Council reconvened into open session at 6:30pm.

c. Municipal Court monthly report – No action

d. Code Enforcement monthly report – No action

7. Financial Review – Motion made by Councilmember Melissa McFarland, second by Councilmember James King to approve financial report and payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

8. New Business

a. Agenda Request -Motion made by Councilmember Melissa McFarland, second by Councilmember Daniel Martinez to grant the variance as requested by Paulette Shaver to extend concrete driveway within 2ft of Dubose Street with the understanding that the city is not responsible for damage to driveway in the case of work being done by the city for repairs to culverts or drainage. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Resolution No. 2021-78 – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Melissa McFarland to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2121-78 appointing Don Griser to the Austin County Appraisal District’s Board of Directors. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Street Light – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Bernadette Parr to approve the placement of a street light on the 300 block of FM 1093 pending information from TxDot. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Rise Broadband - Motion made by Councilmember Daniel Martinez, second by Councilmember Bernadette Parr to approve the contract between City of Wallis and Rise Broadband in reference to Fiber Optic cable agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

e. City Website – Councilmember Melissa McFarland as to have the calendar on the website updated.

f. EDC Food Court Placement – Motion made by Councilmember Melissa McFarland, second by Councilmember Daniel Martinez that as of January 1, 2022 no food truck will be allowed to set up at 2nd Street. Motion passed with 3 yes votes. Councilmembers Melissa McFarland, Councilmember Bernadette Parr, Councilmember Daniel Martinez voted for and Councilmember James King voted no. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. was absent.

g. Impact Fees – No action

h. Mynarik Park – Motion made by Councilmember Bernadette Parr, second by Councilmember Daniel Martinez to approve taking the entire amount salary for George Sowa out of water/sewer budget, instead of splitting it between Mynarik Park and Water/Sewer. Motion passed with 3 yes votes. Councilmember Bernadette Parr, Councilmember Melissa McFarland and Councilmember Daniel Martinez voted yes. Councilmember James King voted no; Councilmember Clark Main Jr. was absent.

i. Ordinance No. 208 – Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Melissa McFarland to amend Ordinance No. 208 (operation and parking of trucks) to allow the truck only to be parked on the owner’s property. Motion passed unanimously.

j. EDC Updates – No action

k. Street Drainage Updates – No action

l. Future Agenda Items- None

9. Adjourn Meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.



Dennis L. Diggs, Mayor



Sheila Moseley, City Secretary

ATTEST:

