



**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF WALLER AND HARRIS
CITY OF WALLER**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS THE 18th day of March 2024 at 6:00 PM. the City Council of the City of Waller, Texas held a meeting in Regular Session at 1218 Farr St. with the following present:

Mayor Danny Marburger	Staff:
Mayor Pro-Tem Dwayne Hajek	Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
Councilmember Nancy Arnold (Late)	Ryan Short, Finance Officer
Councilmember Don Hart	Markus Benoit, Public Works Director
Councilmember Jason Tones	Michael Lopez, Police Chief
Councilmember Sherri Swisher (Absent)	Phillip Boedecker, City Attorney

Mayor Marburger called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*The prayer was led by Councilmember Hart.
The pledge was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek.*

ROLL CALL

*Mayor Marburger and Councilmembers present.
Councilmember Swisher was absent.
Councilmember Arnold arrived 6:20 PM.*

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Please fill out a "Citizen Registration Card" form in order to address the Council. Turn in the form prior to Communications from the Public to the City Secretary. Speakers are limited to three minutes. The purpose of this item is to allow the public an opportunity to address the Mayor and City Council on issues that are not on the agenda. The Council cannot take action but may refer this item to a department head or direct that this item be placed on a future regular Council agenda.

Any interested person may appear before the City Council to speak about an item on the agenda. Before the start of the meeting, the person must request such an appearance in writing and identify the agenda item on which he/she wishes to speak. The person will be called to speak when the agenda item comes before the City Council for discussion or action. Comments are limited to 3 minutes.

Pamela Shepard, representing the Waller County Historical Commission addressed the Council regarding the installation of an historical plaque on the southwest corner at Penick and Old Washington.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

This agenda consists of non-controversial, or “housekeeping” items required by law. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda by any Councilmember making such a request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes for February 19, 2024, Regular Meeting.
2. Approval of Tax Refunds to Buc-ee’s LTD for Tax Years 2020, 2021, (2) for 2022, and 2023 due to value change per WCAD.
3. Approval of Tax Refund to Hamilton Crossing for Tax Year 2020 due to value change per HCAD.
4. Approval of Tax Refund to Oxford Ranch Apartments LLC for Tax Year 2022 due to value change per HCAD.
5. Approval of Tax Refund to XIV, LP for Tax Year 2023 due to value change per HCAD.
6. Approval of Tax Refund to Petroquip Energy Services for Tax Year 2023 due to value change per HCAD.
7. Approval of Tax Refund to Loves Travel Stops & Country Store for Tax Year 2023 due to value change per HCAD.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek motioned to approve. Councilmember Tones seconded the motion. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

8. Discussion and possible action to approve the use of the City of Waller Plaza for the Relay for Life Event on May 3, 2024.

Councilmember Tones motioned to approve. Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

9. Discussion and possible action to authorize the City Engineer Travis Sellers to initiate Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Water and Wastewater contract services.

Travis Sellers addressed the Council and indicated that this would allow us the ability to secure pricing and determine the amount that needs to be budgeted.

Councilmember Hart motioned to approve. Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

10. Discussion and possible action to approve awarding the bid to Scope Twenty-Eight in the amount of \$162,907.60 dollars for the Field Store Creek Rehabilitation.

Travis Sellers indicated this company submitted the lowest bid and has been thoroughly vetted. His recommendation is to approve awarding the contract to Scope Twenty-Eight.

Councilmember Hart motioned to approve. Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion. Motion passed.

11. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase and installation of twelve (12) Axon Fleet 3 in-car camera systems to include the purchase of fifteen (15) body cameras.

Chief Lopez addressed the Council and noted that the existing fleet and body cameras purchased in 2020 will no longer be supported and replacement parts cannot be purchased. The new cameras will allow support for the next 5 years.

Councilmember Tones motioned to approve the quote from Axon Fleet for cameras in the amount of \$183,290.40. Mayor Pro-Tem Hajek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

12. Discussion and possible action to move two (2) Public Works pickups to the Police Department to be utilized by the Police Chief and the Detective.

Public Works Director, Marcus Benoit noted these trucks are currently owned by the city and not part of the Enterprise contract and felt they could be better utilized by the Police Department.

Chief Lopez noted these trucks will be used in a non-pursuit way for use by the Chief and a Detective.

Councilmember Hart motioned to approve. Councilmember Arnold seconded the motion. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council will convene into executive session to consult with the City Attorney for pending or contemplated litigation.

Convened into executive session at 6:30 PM

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

14. Discussion and possible action regarding matters discussed during Executive Session.

Reconvened into open session at 7:25 PM

Discussion and possible action regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.
No action.

MAYOR-COUNCIL REPORTS

No report

STAFF REPORTS

Cynthia Ward, City Secretary
No report

Markus Benoit, Public Works Director
No report

Michael Lopez, Police Chief
No report

John Isom, WEDC Director
No report

Travis Sellers, City Engineer
No report

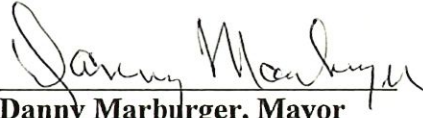
ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Not present, no report.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Mayor Marburger adjourned at 7:30 PM.

APPROVED BY:


Danny Marburger, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cynthia Ward, City Secretary