

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF WALLER  
CITY OF HEMPSTEAD**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May A.D., 2023 at 6:00 P.M. the City Council met in a Regular Meeting at the Hempstead City Hall, 1125 Austin Street, Hempstead, Texas, there being present, to-wit:

Erica Gillum, Mayor  
Lonnie Garfield, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Cindy Pearce, Councilmember  
Mildred Jefferson, Councilmember  
Nora Hodges, Councilmember  
Karon E. Neal, Councilmember

Charles Williams, City Attorney  
Sabrina Alvarez, City Secretary

**1. Call to order and invocation.**

Mayor Erica Gillum called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and Charles Tompkins gave the invocation.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**3. Public Comments.**

Councilmember Nora Hodges spoke and reminded the public about the Utility Workshop to be held at the Recreation to spread the word. She has flyers as well.

**4. Consideration and action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hempstead adopting the hours for the Hempstead Recreation Center effective immediately.**

Councilmember Cindy Pearce made a motion to discuss. Councilmember Mildred Jefferson seconded the motion.

Recreation Director James Glover asked for the hours to be changed at the Recreation Center because many citizens want to come in earlier than the normal business hours. Councilmember Cindy Pearce asked about the hours will his staff be able to manage them. Recreation Center Director James Glover answered yes that his staff will be able to manage the hours. Councilmember Nora Hodges asked about the hours coming in at 6:00 A.M., if this would cost the city additional hours. Recreation Center Director James Glover answered that a member of his staff already is scheduled to come in at 6:00 A.M. Councilmember Mildred Jefferson asked about

the Saturday hours. Recreation Center Director James Glover stated that it will be only the first and third Saturdays to try it out as needed.

Councilmember Cindy made a motion to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Nora Hodges seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

**5. Consideration and action on a Summer Enrichment and Discovery Camp to held at the Hempstead Recreation Center June 5<sup>th</sup> – June 29<sup>th</sup>.**

Councilmember Nora Hodges made a motion to discuss. Councilmember Mildred Jefferson seconded the motion. Recreation Director James Glover stated that in previous years the STEM Program was brought in but this year it is not budgeted. Kimberly Traylor spoke on the enrichment program and stated that it will be a variety of programs in one. The program will entail literacy, arts and crafts, math, life skills, roping, gardening, comfort skills. They will offer breakfast, lunch and snacks. The fee is \$20.00 per child. There will be a workshop at the end of the program for the parents to come and view what their children have done. Councilmember Cindy Pearce asked what the Workforce Solutions Program was. Kayla Jackson with Workforce stated that they have paid internship, they place ages 14 to 24 with a 240-hour program, 30 hours per week. These recipients will be the ones working at the Recreation Center to help with the Summer Enrichment Program. Background checks are done prior to the internship. They will have a minimum of ten workers to help with the program.

Councilmember Karon Neal made a motion to approve the Summer Enrichment Program but to also have background checks on the applicants. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nora Hodges and carried unanimously.

**6. Adjourn City Council Meeting.**

There being no further business, Councilmember Mildred Jefferson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 P.M. Councilmember Nora Hodges seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D., 2023.

**APPROVED:**

**/s/: Erica Gillum, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

**/s/: Sabrina Alvarez, City Secretary**

