

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

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 14th day of May 2024, A.D., 2024 at 6:00 P.M. the City Council met in a Special Meeting at the Hempstead Recreation Center, 635 Business Hwy 290 E, Hempstead, Texas, there being present, to-wit:

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 Pro-Tem Lonnie Garfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and Pastor Dormic Smith gave the invocation.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

3. Public Comments.

None.

5. Consideration and action on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Hempstead, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the Special Charter Election held on May 4, 2024; and making other provisions related to the subject.

Councilmember Mildred Jefferson made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Councilmember Cindy Pearce seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

4. Consideration and action on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Hempstead, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the elections held May 4, 2024, for the positions of Mayor and City Councilmembers; and calling a runoff election for June 15, 2024, for Councilmember, Position 1 and Councilmember Position 2; and making other provisions related to the subject.

Councilmember Mildred Jefferson made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Councilmember Karon Neal seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

6. Administer Oath of Office to Elected Mayor.

City Secretary Sabrina Alvarez administered the Oath Of Office to newly elected Mayor Katherine Ragston Ward.

7. Adjourn City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Mildred Jefferson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 P.M. Councilmember Karon Neal seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 20th day of May, A.D., 2024.

APPROVED:

/s/: Katherine Ragston Ward, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/: Sabrina Alvarez, City Secretary