



**MINUTES
SEALY CITY COUNCIL
415 MAIN STREET
SEALY, TX 77474
TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Whitehead called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

Mayor Whitehead gave the invocation and led the Pledges of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum

Present:

Janice Whitehead	Mayor
Dee Anne Lerma	Councilmember, Place 1
Chris Noack	Councilmember, Place 2
Sandra Vrablec	Councilmember, Place 3/Mayor Pro tem
Jennifer Sullivan	Councilmember, Place 4
Adam Burttschell	Councilmember, Place 6

Absent:

Larry Koy	Councilmember, Place 5
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A quorum was declared present.

Staff Attending:

Lloyd Merrell, City Manager
Brooke Knoll, City Secretary
Warren Escovy, Assistant City Manager
Chris Hudson, Police Captain
Joey Schmidt, Fire Marshal/IT
Lawrence Siska, Director of Parks/Streets/Drainage
Robert Worley, Executive Director SEDC
Tim Kirwin, City Attorney

4. Proclamations and Special Recognitions

None

5. Petition(s) and/or Request(s) from the Public.

None

Mayor Whitehead moved to address item 13 before item 8. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Discussion and possible action regarding approval of minutes for the meeting held:**
 - **March 20 2020 - Emergency Meeting**
- b. **Ordinance amending the gas rates (*This is the second of two readings.*)**

Councilwoman Sullivan moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

(Item 6 (b) is enrolled as Ordinance No. 2020-06.)

7. Issue certificates of election and conduct statement of officer and oath of office for election.

Janice Whitehead and Dee Anne Lerma were officially sworn-in for respective positions on the Sealy City Council.

8. Discussion and possible action on receiving and review of racial profiling report.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to accept the racial profiling report. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution declaring certain property as salvage/surplus property and ordering its disposition.

Councilwoman Vrablec moved to approve a Resolution declaring certain property as salvage/surplus property and ordering its disposition. Councilman Noack seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

(This resolution is enrolled as Resolution No. 2020-11.)

10. Discussion and possible action to approve a request to extend rental hours at the Liedertafel Hall for New Year's Eve.

Councilwoman Lerma moved to approve a request to extend rental hours at the Liedertafel Hall for New Year's Eve. Councilwoman Vrabec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Vrabec, Sullivan, Burttschell

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Noack

The motion carried.

11. Discussion and possible action on six-year cash report of Sealy 4B Economic Development Corporation. (Koy)

Councilwoman Sullivan moved to table this agenda item. Councilwoman Vrabec seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrabec, Sullivan, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action to establish an economic development program for hotels/motels based on the impact of the COVID-19 epidemic.

Mayor Whitehead moved to table this agenda item. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrabec, Sullivan, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

13. City Manager's report and discussion:

- a. Discussion to move forward with drainage plans from the B&PW park to I-10 feeder along Allen's creek.
- b. City manager will discuss the EDC reimbursing the city for the \$250,000 grant fund for local businesses for COVID-19 (Koy)
- c. Discussion of improving brick pavers at Cryan park.
- d. Installation of plexiglass partitions at city hall and the permit desk at the planning office for employee safety.

Lloyd Merrell briefly updated the council on topics listed above.

14. Request(s) for future agenda items and comment(s).

Councilwoman Lerma

- None

Councilman Noack

- None

Councilwoman Vrablec

- None

Councilwoman Sullivan

- None

Councilman Burttschell

- None

Mayor Whitehead

- She commended staff for maintaining the budget and reminded everyone that the budget has to be out one month earlier than usual this year.

15. Adjournment

At 6:32 p.m., Councilwoman Vrablec moved that the city council stand adjourned until the next scheduled meeting. Councilwoman Lerma seconded the motion. Mayor Whitehead called for the vote:

AYES: Whitehead, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Burttschell

NOES: None

The motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th day of May 2020.




Janice Whitehead, Mayor

ATTEST:


Brooke Knoll, City Secretary