



**MINUTES
SEALY CITY COUNCIL
415 MAIN STREET
SEALY, TX 77474
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bilski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum

Present:

Carolyn Bilski	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
Larry Koy	Councilmember, Place 5
Adam Burttschell	Councilmember, Place 6

Absent:

None

A quorum was declared present.

Staff attending:

Lloyd Merrell, City Manager
Warren Escovy, Assistant City Manager
Brooke Knoll, City Secretary
Steven Kutra, Finance Director
Jay Reeves, Police Chief
Lawrence Siska, Director of Parks/Streets/Drainage
Kim Kaiser, HR Administrator
Tim Kirwin, City Attorney
Melissa Cranford, HR Attorney

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

Chris Noack provided the public with a statement regarding the responsibilities of a city council member and explained that council has the right to ask questions. He expressed that he is disappointed with staff's judgment regarding the purchase of a stove during a pandemic when the fund balance is low. Actions such as this lessen his trust in staff.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A closed meeting will be held concerning the following item(s):

- a. Personnel Matters under Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 (to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee) – City Manager position.**

- b. Consultation with Attorney under Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 to seek the advice of its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter-namely personnel matters.**

Lloyd Merrell read a brief statement and announced his resignation as city manager effective at the end of his contract on February 1, 2021.

The city council recessed open session at 6:08 p.m.

- 5. Reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.**

The city council reconvened into open session at 7:13 p.m.

Councilman Noack moved to place Lloyd Merrell on paid administrative leave, accept his resignation effective immediately, and provide a separation and general release agreement. Councilwoman Sullivan seconded the motion.

AYES: Bilski, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

- 6. Adjournment**

At 7:14 p.m., Councilwoman Sullivan moved that the city council stand adjourned until the next scheduled meeting. Councilwoman Vrablec seconded the motion. Mayor Bilski called for the vote:

AYES: Bilski, Lerma, Noack, Vrablec, Sullivan, Koy, Burttschell
NOES: None

The motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19th day of January 2021.

Carolyn Bilski, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brooke Knoll, City Secretary