

City of Thrall Special Called City Council Meeting

104 South Main Street Thrall, Texas 76578 March 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

THRALL CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Troy Marx-Present Commissioner Anja Martin-Present Commissioner Clay L. Karch-Present

1. CALL TO ORDER and DECLARE A QUORUM at 7:15 p.m.

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

2. WELCOME VISITORS AND VISITOR COMMENTS

(Orange Sign In Card)

This time is reserved for input to the Thrall City Council on items <u>not listed on the agenda</u>. Any items presented to the Thrall City Council are considered informational only and <u>may result</u> in placement on a future agenda for discussion and consideration. During this time the Thrall City Council may hear your concerns but <u>may not</u> respond to any comments and will defer to City Staff. Those wishing to speak during this time must complete an <u>Orange Sign In Card</u> and present to the City Secretary <u>prior</u> to the beginning of the meeting. All visitors will observe a three-minute time limit.

2.1. Remarks of Visitors-No public comment.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1. Presentation by Pastor Harris with Mt. Pleasant Church on Juneteenth Celebration in the City Square Park on June 17, 2023.

Pastor Harris with Mt. Pleasant Church introduced himself, he came to present an upcoming event, we want to have a Juneteenth celebration and bring it to Thrall between the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. it is part of our connect with the community. The event will be family friendly, no alcohol, no rap music, we'll have vendors, door prizes, we'll also be implementing our community care program and what that intel's is we set aside so much money each month to give out care bags to children and seniors.

Mayor Marx moved agenda item 5.4 before the Consent Agenda Items to consider and take possible action.

4. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Consent Agenda items listed below are considered to be routine by the Thrall City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by the Mayor and/or Commissioner, in which event, the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a Regular Agenda item(s).

- **4.1.** Consideration and possible action regarding the approval of the minutes for the Special Called City Council Meeting on January 25, 2023.
- **4.2.** Consideration and possible action regarding the approval of the minutes for the Special Called City Council Meeting on February 8, 2023.
- **4.3.** Consideration and possible action regarding the December 2022 and January 2023 financials.
- **4.4.** Consideration and possible action regarding **Resolution No.** <u>2023-3-1</u> adopting an Investment Policy with strategy guidelines and appointment of Investment Officers.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as read by the mayor with a second by Commissioner Karch. Motion carried 3-0.

5. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

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This time is reserved for the public to speak to the Thrall City Council after the <u>regular agenda item</u> has been announced for consideration. Those wishing to speak must complete a <u>Green Sign In Card</u> and present the card to the City Secretary <u>prior</u> to the beginning of the meeting. All visitors will observe a three-minute time limit.

- **5.1.** Consideration and possible action regarding **Resolution No.** <u>2023-3-2</u> to adopt/reaffirm Civil Rights Policies and Procedures, to include the HUD Section 3 presentation, for the TxCDBG City of Thrall Contract **CDV21-0414**.
 - Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-3-2 as read by the mayor with a second by Commissioner Karch. Motion carried 3-0.
- **5.2.** Consideration and possible action concerning award of an **administrative services** contract for the preparation of the City's 2023-24 Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) CD application and subsequent administrative services contract if funded.
 - Commissioner Martin made a motion to award the contract for administrative services to Langford Community Management with a second by Commissioner Karch. Motion carried 3-0.
- **5.3.** Consideration and possible action concerning award of the **engineering services** contract for the preparation of the City's 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) application and subsequent engineering contract if funded.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to award the contract for engineering services to Hejl, Lee and Associates Inc. with a second by Commissioner Karch. Motion carried 3-0.

5.4. Consideration and possible action regarding the Juneteenth Celebration in the City Square Park.

Mayor Marx said the event would be on June 17th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will have food vendors, they will utilize the whole park area, pavilion, stage. They do want to play music and it would be faced towards the railroad track area to keep anyone from complaining. There will be a deputy that's part of the congregation for security and Williamson County will be notified too of the event. Mayor stated this is an exciting time, that we built the park to be able to do events like this. Pastor Harris commitment to the community is a good jump start and the vision of the Council's to have everybody and bring the community together. We started that with "Christmas in the Park" with having the churches there this past year. Pastor Harris mentioned the event would start about 10 a.m. once everything is set up.

Commissioner Martin made a motion that the park be available for the Juneteenth Celebration on that day with a second by Commissioner Karch. Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Marx proceeded back to agenda item 4. Consent Agenda Items and continued in order of the agenda.

5.5. Consideration and possible action regarding the wastewater reaveraging for the City of Thrall Utility accounts.

Commissioner Karch made a motion to accept the wastewater reaveraging with a second by Commissioner Martin. Motion carried 3-0.

5.6. Consideration and possible action regarding the wastewater rates for the City of Thrall.

Mayor Marx made a motion to direct the City Secretary to have the reaveraging go into effect on the May billing and at the April meeting we look at raising our base rate from \$19 to \$20 on the wastewater ordinance with second by Commissioner Martin. Motion carried 3-0.

5.7. Consideration and possible regarding the 2023 City Wide Yard Sale and City-Wide Clean Up.

Mayor Marx made a motion to accept as presented the City-Wide Garage Sale and Spring Clean-up for May 6th and beginning May 8th for the clean-up with a second by Commissioner Martin. Motion carried 3-0.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thrall City Council adjourned from its regular session and convened into Closed/Executive Session at 7:52 p.m., to discuss the following Item(s), pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter:

6.1. Discussion regarding a water contract with the City of Taylor. **551.071** [Litigation and certain consultation with attorney]

Discussion only, no action taken during executive session.

7. FINAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM(S)

Thrall City Council reconvened into its regular session at 8:23 p.m. to consider and take possible action on the following Item(s):

7.1. Consideration and possible action regarding a water contract with the City of Taylor. *551.071* [*Litigation and certain consultation with attorney*]

No action taken.

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