

COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNCIL COMMITTEE
November 20, 2023
DRAFT MINUTES

Council present:

Victoria Johnson
Phil Anderson
Ronnie Johnson

Council Absent:

Staff present

Eric Oscarson, Deputy City Manager
Harlan Jefferson, Deputy City Manager
Matt Ribitzki, Deputy City Attorney
Amanda Campos, City Secretary
Monica Solko, Deputy City Secretary
Justin Scharnhorst, Assistant City to the City Manager
Christina Stanton, Marketing and Communications Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER – Time: 3:00 p.m.

Victoria Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

2. CITIZEN APPEARANCES

- None.

3. GENERAL

A. Nominate and elect a Chair for the Community Services Committee for Fiscal Year 2023-2025 term. (Staff Contact: Amanda Campos, City Secretary)

Motion made by Ronnie Johnson and Phil Anderson to nominate Victoria Johnson to serve as chair.

Motion passed 3-0.

4. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff direction regarding options for a citizen civic academy. (Staff Presenter: Amanda Campos, City Secretary)

Amanda Campos, City Secretary presented options for a citizen civic academy to the committee.

Discussion included:

- Application (name, address, phone, email)

- Limit to 20 people – random drawing
- Survey at the end
- Name: Burleson 101 Civic Academy
- Age limit: 18 years and older
- Application open: December 1-18
- Class: January 11-May 9
- Graduation ceremony (must attend 7 classes)
- Recognize first graduating class at council meeting

B. Receive a report, hold a discussion regarding Connect with Council 2024 initiatives for community engagement. (Staff Presenter: Amanda Campos, City Secretary)

Amanda Campos, City Secretary, discussed passed and new ideas for Connect with Council 2024 initiatives for community engagement.

Initiatives discussed:

- Facebook Live
- Coffee with Council
- Ice Cream Social on the Plaza with Council
- Community events
- HOA, Senior Living, Apartment President meeting
- Active Adult Luncheon/Coffee
- Senior Center and ISD Retirement
- New Resident Mixer
- Talk to teachers (BISD/JISD)
- Burleson Business roundtable
- Old Town business
- Non-profits (a day of giving)
- Burleson Teen Government Committee

The committee requested more information on the Burleson Teen Government committee.

5. BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OR REPORTS

- Opel Lee, book Juneteenth on Feb 17 (registration, issue a proclamation for the event – 1st meeting in February)
- Next meeting - January 24 at 9 a.m.

6. ADJOURN

Motion made by Phil Anderson and seconded by Ronnie Johnson to adjourn.

There being no further business Chair Victoria Johnson adjourned the meeting.

Time: 3:58 p.m.

Monica Solko
Deputy City Secretary