



CITY OF IOWA COLONY

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday, April 22, 2025
5:30 PM**

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BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 22nd day of April 2025, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a meeting at 5:30 P.M. at the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Wil Kennedy
Mayor Pro Tem Marquette Greene-Scott
Councilmember McLean Barnett
Councilmember Arnetta Murray
Councilmember Tim Varlack
Councilmember Kareem Boyce
Councilmember Sydney Hargroder

And none being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennedy called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Varlack prayed aloud.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Consideration and possible action to approve an interlocal agreement for the allocation of sales tax revenue with Brazoria County Emergency Services District No. 3 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement.

City Attorney Natasha Brooks explained that the agreement reflects the results of the negotiations and provides clarity on how revenue will be allocated. She also outlined the potential consequences if the city chooses not to enter into the agreement. Mayor and Councilmember Varlack had previously met with two members of the ESD Commission. Councilmember Varlack raised concerns about the language in the agreement, stating that it did not align with what had been discussed in their meeting. He then presented the options available to the City Council regarding the agreement. Attorney Brooks noted that the prior meeting was

an informal discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott expressed concern about negotiations taking place without the City Attorney present. Councilmember Varlack clarified that it was made clear there would be no final agreement until the City Attorney had reviewed the document and presented it to the Council. The City Council discussed the possible outcomes of entering into or rejecting the agreement. They also discussed the potential impact of the upcoming elections. The discussion continued at length. Councilmember Hargroder remarked that the city is in a unique position and expressed hope that the ESD acknowledges this during future negotiations. Both Councilmember Varlack and Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott agreed.

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to approve the interlocal agreement for the allocation of sales tax revenue with Brazoria County Emergency Service District No. 3 and authorize the mayor to execute the agreement and allow Interim City Manager to negotiate for future agreement amendments, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

2. Consideration and possible action on the salary survey report and adoption of an updated pay scale.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to allocate the funds based on the amount provided by staff and directing Natasha, Bonita, and Chief to allocate the funds, Seconded by Councilmember Barnett.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

3. Consideration and possible action approving a resolution adding and removing authorized signers for all bank accounts held by the City of Iowa Colony.

Motion made by Councilmember Varlack to approve the resolution adding and removing authorized signers for all bank accounts held by the City of Iowa Colony including but not limited to Texas First Bank, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

4. Consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution amending the Rules of Procedure.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to adopt the resolution amending the Rules of Procedure as presented, Seconded by Councilmember Murray.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

Mayor Kennedy called a recess at 7:10 P.M. The City Council reconvened at 7:24 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-7:25 P.M.

Executive session in accordance with 551.074 of the Texas Gov't Code to deliberate and consult with attorney on the following:

5. Personnel matters related to the Interim City Manager's agreement.

POST EXECUTIVE SESSION-8:32 P.M.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6. Consideration and possible action on Executive Session matters.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to take action on the Interim City Manager agreement as discussed in Executive Session upon approval of the document by City Council, Seconded by Councilmember Barnett.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Councilmember Barnett, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE 2025

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

