



City Administrator Report – May 24, 2022, City Council Meeting

Congratulations and welcome to the newly sworn in officeholders for the City of Montgomery.

The next City Council Workshop on governance is June 25th and will be a day-long workshop here at the City Hall building. This will be the continuation from the September 11, 2021, Workshop that was facilitated by Ron Cox, who will also be facilitating this workshop.

In April, staff presented the possibility of the Farmer's Market that is currently operating at Ransom's Steakhouse moving to operate on City property at 777 Clepper Street. Council previously asked City staff to work through the process internally and report back with a proposed plan. At this point staff has worked through a proposed plan and will be reaching out to the City Attorney to finalize plans to present to Council next month.

I have asked each department head to include a general overview of their department in their report to Council at the meeting in addition to their regular report. I would also be happy to arrange appointments for Council members to meet with department heads to get a more in-depth view of what happens within each department.

Work is continuing at Water Plant #3 and the upgraded storage capacity is being placed into service ahead of the hot summer weather we will soon be experiencing. The City Engineer will provide updates on this, as well as the other ongoing projects in the City.

Last month the annual audit report was prepared, presented, and accepted by City Council. The auditor and City are already working together on the mid-year work associated with the next audit.

Please see the Development Report for an update on development activities through March 2022, including an update on the most recent Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

The Montgomery Economic Development Corporation's April Meeting included approving sponsoring an application for the Chilton-Dean House to receive a state historical marker from the Texas Historical Commission. They also discussed a standard for wayfinding signage in the City. This was approved to be issued out as a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) at the May MEDC Meeting. The MEDC Board also discussed working with TXDOT to sponsor upgrade costs in the future median construction through the City, as well as to consider participating in upgrading the median work currently being performed on the City's east side.

I look forward to seeing each of you at this upcoming meeting. If you have specific questions on items within the reports, please feel free to contact me or the appropriate department head prior to the meeting. Also, please let me or the City Secretary know if you will be unable to attend this City Council Meeting on Tuesday night.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Tramm
City Administrator