



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL/WORKSHOP MEETING

Monday, July 24, 2023 at 1:00 PM

City Council Chambers | 202 N. Virginia Street, Port Lavaca TX 77979

MINUTES

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CALHOUN §
CITY OF PORT LAVACA §

On this the 24th day of July, 2023, the City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, convened in a special and workshop session at 1:00 p.m. at the regular meeting place in Council Chambers at City Hall, 202 North Virginia Street, Port Lavaca, Texas, with the following members in attendance:

I. ROLL CALL

Jack Whitlow	Mayor
Daniel Aguirre	Councilman, District 1
Tim Dent	Councilman, District 2
Rosie G. Padron*	Councilwoman, District 4, Mayor Pro Tem
Jim Ward	Councilman, District 5
Ken Barr	Councilman, District 6

*Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron arrived at 1:11 p.m. during agenda item #2.

And with the following absent:

Allen Tippit	Councilman, District 3
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Constituting a quorum for the transaction of business, at which time the following business was transacted:

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II. CALL TO ORDER

- Mayor Whitlow called the special meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. and presided with the following announcement:

III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

(Limited to 3 minutes per individual unless permission to speak longer is received in advance. You may make public comments as you would at a meeting by logging on with your computer and using "Join Zoom Meeting" information on first page of this agenda).

- Mayor Whitlow asked for comments from the public and there were none.

IV. ACTION ITEMS - *Council will consider/discuss the following items and take any action deemed necessary.*

1. Consider appointment of member to the Port Commission Board to fill a vacancy. Presenter is Jody Weaver

Interim City Manager Weaver advised Council that Michael Kovarek had resigned from the Port Commission Board, leaving a vacancy. Mr. Robert Knox has sent a letter of interest to serve on this Board.

Motion made by Councilman District 5 Ward

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS:

THAT, Council hereby accepts Michael Kovarek's resignation and appoints Robert Knox to the Port Commission Board to serve a new 2-year term beginning immediately.

Seconded by Councilman District 6 Barr

Voting Yea:

Councilman District 1 Aguirre, Councilman District 2 Dent, Councilman District 5 Ward, Councilman District 6 Barr

2. Consider nomination(s) to the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission (GCRPC) General Assembly for 2024 fiscal year. Presenter is Jody Weaver

Motion made by Councilman District 2 Dent

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS:

THAT, Council hereby approves the following council members representing the City of Port Lavaca in the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission (GCRPC) General Assembly for 2024 fiscal year:

- General Assembly Seat #1 represented by Councilman Tippit
- General Assembly Seat #2 vacated by Councilwoman Padron and replaced with Councilman Aguirre
- No nomination made for the Director-at-large.

Seconded by Councilman District 5 Ward

Voting Yea:

Councilman District 1 Aguirre, Councilman District 2 Dent, Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron, Councilman District 5 Ward, Councilman District 6 Barr

3. Announcement by Mayor that City Council will retire into closed session:

- To discuss personnel matters in accordance with Title 5, Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (to discuss appointment, employment, evaluation, responsibilities and duties, reassignment, discipline or dismissal of an officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee [Interim City Manager]) Presenter is Mayor Whitlow

Mayor Whitlow announced that Council would retire into closed session at 1:19 p.m.

4. Return to Open Session and take any action deemed necessary with regard to matters in closed session. Presenter is Mayor Whitlow

Mayor Whitlow announced that Council was back in open session at 1:40 p.m.

Motion made by Councilman District 2 Dent

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS:

THAT, Council hereby authorizes a \$5,000.00 salary increase for Interim City Manager Weaver, to be distributed between next pay period through February 08, 2024.

Seconded by Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron

Voting Yea:

Councilman District 1 Aguirre, Councilman District 2 Dent, Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron, Councilman District 5 Ward, Councilman District 6 Barr

V. ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Whitlow asked for motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Councilman District 6 Barr

Seconded by Councilman District 5 Ward

Voting Yea:

Councilman District 1 Aguirre, Councilman District 2 Dent, Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron, and Councilman District 5 Ward

Special Meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

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- Mayor announced Council would take a brief recess at 1:43 p.m.
- Mayor announced Council was back from recess at 1:56 p.m.

WORKSHOP SESSION**VI. CALL TO ORDER**

- Mayor Whitlow called the workshop to order at 1:56 p.m. and presided with the following announcement:

VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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- Mayor Whitlow asked for comments from the public and there were none.

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - *Council will discuss the following items***1. Discuss 2023-2024 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and other Plans. Presenter is Jody Weaver**

Council discussed this agenda item.

No action necessary and none taken.

IX. ADJOURN WORKSHOP

Mayor Whitlow asked for motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Councilman District 6 Barr

Seconded by Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron

Voting Yea:

Councilman District 1 Aguirre, Councilman District 2 Dent, Councilwoman District 4 (Mayor Pro Tem) Padron, Councilman District 5 Ward and Councilman District 6 Barr

Workshop adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

These minutes were approved on August 14, 2023.

ATTEST:

Jack Whitlow, Mayor

Mandy Grant, City Secretary