

CITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 16, 2024, 6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

HISTORIC CHURCH BUILDING - 403 N 7TH STREET, SANGER, TEXAS



CALL THE WORK SESSION TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Mayor Muir called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Thomas Muir
Mayor Pro Tem, Place 2	Gary Bilyeu
Councilmember, Place 1	Marissa Barrett
Councilmember, Place 3	Dennis Dillon
Councilmember, Place 4	Allen Chick
Councilmember, Place 5	Victor Gann

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

City Manager John Noblitt, City Secretary Kelly Edwards, City Attorney Hugh Coleman, Director of Public Works Jim Bolz, and Police Chief Tyson Cheek.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Sanger Independent School District Police Department and Sanger Police Department, and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documentation.

Chief Cheek provided an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the Chain of Command, jurisdiction, and joint training.

2. Presentation on the Sanger Police Department, its current personnel and equipment status, and future goals.

Chief Cheek provided a presentation and overview of the department, including its

current state, crime statistics, status of the fleet, and future technology.

Discussion ensued regarding crime statistics, the number of calls and citations, the morale of the department, shift coverage, and future technology needs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, the City Council Will Meet in a Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Government Code:

Section 551.074. PERSONNEL MATTERS

For deliberations regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee. - City Attorney

The City Council did not convene in Executive Session.

RECONVENE INTO WORK SESSION

OVERVIEW OF ITEMS ON THE REGULAR AGENDA

No additional discussion.

ADJOURN THE WORK SESSION

There being no further business, Mayor Muir adjourned the work session at 6:54 p.m.

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Mayor Muir called the work session to order at 7:05 p.m.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

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COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Councilmember Bilyeu gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Dillon.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

No one addressed the Council.

REPORTS

3. Sanger Area Chamber of Commerce 2024 report.

Ms. Meghann Cross, Chamber President, provided an overview of the Chamber. She discussed the vision, supporting partnerships, new lunch & learn opportunities and engagement.

Discussion ensued regarding the City's presence at Chamber events, sponsorships, and the health of the Chamber.

4. Presentation on the Sanger Police Department, its current personnel and equipment status, and future goals.

The Mayor moved to the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Consideration and possible action on the minutes from the January 2, 2024, meeting.
6. Consideration and possible action on Ordinance 01-01-24, Calling and ordering the May 4, 2024, General Election to elect a Mayor, Councilmember Place 2, and Councilmember Place 4, for a two-year term.
7. Consideration and possible action on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Sanger Independent School District Police Department and Sanger Police Department, and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documentation.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Bilyeu, Seconded by Councilmember Dillon. Voting Yea: Councilmember Barrett, Councilmember Chick and Councilmember Gann.
Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

8. Consideration and possible action on authorizing staff to issue a Request for Proposals for relocation of Water and Sewer Utilities associated with the IH-35 expansion project.

Director Bolz provided an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued regarding the timing of the project, reimbursable expenses, non-reimbursable betterments, bond funds, cash flow, and processing of the TxDOT project change orders.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Bilyeu, Seconded by Councilmember Gann. Voting Yea: Councilmember Barrett, Councilmember Chick and Councilmember Dillon.
Motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

9. Atmos Rider GCR - Rate Filing Docket No. 10170, December 19, 2023

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The City Council convened into executive session at 7:32 p.m.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

Reconvene into Regular Session and take any action deemed necessary as a result of Executive Session.

The City Council reconvened into open session at 8:09 p.m.

No action taken.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Mayor Muir adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Thomas E. Muir, Mayor

Kelly Edwards, City Secretary