

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF TOMBALL, TEXAS



**Monday, January 17, 2022
6:00 PM**

The City Council of the City of Tomball, Texas, conducted the meeting scheduled for January 17, 2022, 6:00 PM, at 401 Market Street, Tomball, Texas 77375, via video/telephone conference.

A. Mayor Fagan called the meeting of the Tomball City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Gretchen Fagan
Council 1 John Ford
Council 2 Mark Stoll
Council 3 Chad Degges
Council 4 Derek Townsend, Sr.
Council 5 Lori Klein Quinn

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Manager – David Esquivel
Assistant City Manager – Jessica Rogers
City Secretary – Doris Speer
City Attorney – Loren B. Smith
Director of Public Works – Adam Ballesteros
Director of Community Development – Nathan Dietrich
Finance Director – Katherine Dubose
Police Chief – Jeff Bert
Marketing Director – Mike Baxter
Fire Chief – Joe Sykora
IT Manager – Doug Tippey
HR Director – Lisa Coe
Assistant City Secretary – Tracylynn Garcia
CSO-Administrative Assistant – Sasha Luna
CSO-Administrative Assistant – Johnita Robinson
Marketing & Communication Specialist – Gargi Bhowal
Community Center Manager – Rosalie Dillon
Municipal Court Judge – Brett Peabody
Court Administrator – Maria Morris
PW Senior Admin. Assistant – Lexi McMinn
Senior Court Clerk – Inez Sanchez

Assistant Court Clerk – Carlos Vera
Assistant Court Clerk – Fae Morris
Assistant Court Clerk – Daniella Garcia

- B. Invocation - Led by Pastor James Clark – First Baptist Church
- C. Pledges to U.S. and Texas Flags - Led by Pack 72
- D. No Public Comments were received.
- F. Presentations
 - Mayor Fagan and David Esquivel presented plaques to the 2021 Employees of the Year - ***Lexi McMin*** and ***Carlos Vera***
- G. Reports and Announcements
 - 1. Announcements
 - I. January 19, 2022 – First day to apply for Place on Ballot for the May 7, 2022 General City Election
 - II. February 18, 2022 – Last day to apply for Place on Ballot for the May 7, 2022 General City Election
 - III. March 19, 2022 – ***Tomball Honky Tonk Chili Challenge Festival*** at the Depot – 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
 - 2. Reports by City staff and members of council about items of community interest on which no action will be taken:
 - I. Doris Speer – City Secretary’s Office has received the ***“5 Star Exemplary Award”*** from Texas Department of Vital Statistics – (11 years)
- H. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. Motion made by Council 2 Stoll, Seconded by Council 5 Klein Quinn, to approve the Minutes of the January 3, 2022 Regular Tomball City Council Meeting

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 3 Degges, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Motion carried unanimously.

I. No Old Business Consent Agenda items were presented.

J. Old Business

1. Discussion was held regarding proposed projects and funding allocations for the American Rescue Plan and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.

No action necessary.

2. Motion made by Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Seconded by Council 2 Stoll, to approve Resolution No. 2022-03 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Tomball, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to act for the City in connection with the City's receipt and expenditure of grants from the American Rescue Plan and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and making other provisions related to the subject.

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 3 Degges, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Motion carried unanimously.

K. No New Business Consent Agenda items were presented.

L. New Business

1. Motion made by Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Seconded by Council 3 Degges, to approve Resolution No. 2022-07, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Tomball, Texas, Supporting the Little League's Annual Opening Day Parade, to be held in Tomball on Saturday, March 5, 2022, and approve the request from Tomball Little League Parade Program for City Support and In-Kind Services for the ***Little League's Annual Opening Day Parade*** in downtown Tomball, on Saturday, March 5, 2022

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 3 Degges, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Jeff Bert presented an updated report on the City of Tomball Strategic Plan for FY 2020-2022.

No action necessary.

3. Motion made by Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Seconded by Council 2 Stoll, to approve the expenditure of \$1,766,231.20 to Aqua Metric for the replacement of water system meters and transmitters.

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Voting Nay: Council 3 Degges

Motion carried, 4 votes Aye, 1 vote Nay.

4. Motion made by Council 2 Stoll, Seconded by Council 4 Townsend, Sr., to approve, on First Reading, Resolution No. 2022-05-TEDC, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Tomball, Texas, authorizing and approving the Tomball Economic Development Corporation's Project to Expend Funds in accordance with an Economic Development Performance Agreement by and between the Corporation and Decatur Professional Development, LLC, to make direct incentives to, or expenditures for, rental assistance for new or expanded business enterprise to be located at 1431 Graham Drive, Suites 262-265, Tomball, Texas 77375. The estimated amount of expenditures for such Project is an amount not to exceed \$6,600.00.

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 3 Degges, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Executive Session: The City Council recessed at 7:05 p.m. to meet in Executive Session as Authorized by Title 5, Chapter 551, Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, for the Following Purpose(s):
 - Sec. 551.087 - Deliberation regarding Economic Development negotiations.
 - Sec. 551.071 – Consultation with the City Attorney regarding a matter which the Attorney's duty requires to be discussed in closed session

Upon reconvening into session at 7:55 p.m., no action was taken.

- M. Motion made by Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Seconded by Council 5 Klein Quinn, to adjourn.

Voting Yea: Council 1 Ford, Council 2 Stoll, Council 3 Degges, Council 4 Townsend, Sr., Council 5 Klein Quinn

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 7th day of February 2022.

Doris Speer
City Secretary, TRMC, MMC

Gretchen Fagan
Mayor