



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING - JANUARY 23, 2025 MINUTES

City Hall, 120 El Chico Trl., Suite A, Willow Park, TX 76087

Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER AND THE ROLL OF ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS WILL BE TAKEN

Meeting called to order by Mayor Moss at 6:00 p.m.

Quorum confirmed.

PRESENT

Chawn Gilliland
Doyle Moss
Eric Contreras
Greg Runnebaum
Lea Young
Nathan Crummel

Staff present:

Bryan Grimes, City Manager

Pat Chesser, City Attorney

Toni Fisher, Interim City Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Moment of silence.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limited to three minutes per person)

Residents may address the Council regarding an item that is not listed on the agenda. Residents must complete a speaker form and turn it in to the City Secretary five (5) minutes before the start of the meeting. The Rules of Procedure states that comments are to be limited to three (3) minutes. The Texas Open Meetings Act provides the following:

A. If, at a meeting of a governmental body, a member of the public or of the governmental body inquires about a subject for which notice has not been given as required by this subchapter, the notice provisions of this subchapter do not apply to:

- (1) A statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; or
- (2) A recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry.

B. Any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

INFORMATIONAL

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 6:02 p.m.

1. The City Council may convene into a closed executive session in the City Hall Conference Room pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551 of the Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in the following sections:

Section 551.071(Consultation with Attorney); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters):

1. Resignation of Chief of Police; Separation Agreement with the Chief of Police; and
2. Appointment of Interim Chief of Police.

RECONVENE *into Open Session and consider action, if any, on the item discussed in Executive Session.*

The meeting reconvened into Open Session at 6:11 p.m.

2. Discussion & Action: The City Council may accept the resignation of the Chief of Police and approve a Separation Agreement with the Chief of Police.

Actions taken:

Acceptance of resignation from Willow Park Police Chief, Daniel Franklin

Motion to accept the resignation and separation agreement from Willow Park Police Chief, Daniel Franklin.

Motion made by Gilliland, Seconded by Contreras.

Voting Yea: Gilliland, Contreras, Runnebaum, Young, Crummel

3. Discussion & Action: The City Council may appoint an interim Chief of Police.

Actions taken:

Appointment of Quincy Hamilton as Interim Willow Park Police Chief

Motion to appoint Quincy Hamilton as Interim Willow Park Police Chief with 5% stipend pay.

Motion made by Gilliland, Seconded by Contreras.

Voting Yea: Gilliland, Contreras, Runnebaum, Young, Crummel

ADJOURNMENT

As authorized by Section 551.127, of the Texas Government Code, one or more Council Members or employees may attend this meeting remotely using video conferencing technology.

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

Motion made by Gilliland, Seconded by Contreras.

Voting Yea: Gilliland, Contreras, Runnebaum, Young, Crummel

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

These minutes were approved on the 28th of January, 2025.

Doyle Moss, Mayor; Lea Young, Mayor Pro Tem

Antonette A. Fisher, Interim City Secretary

The City Council may convene a public meeting and then recess into closed executive session, to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda, if necessary, and if authorized under chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Situations in which a closed executive session may be authorized by law include, without limitation; (1) consulting with the Council's attorney to seek or receive legal advice concerning pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or any other matter in which the ethical duty of the attorney to the Council clearly conflicts with the general requirement that all meetings be open, § 551.071; (2) discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, § 551.072; (3) discussing a prospective gift or donation, § 551.073; (4) discussing certain personnel matters, §551.074; and (5) discussing security personnel or devices, § 551.076.

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Antonette A. Fisher
Interim City Secretary

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