



City of Garden Ridge

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MINUTES WATER COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021, 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present:

Chair James Mueller
Vice-Chair Keven Harshbarger
Commissioner Joseph Haltaman
Commissioner Dr. Richard Carmichael
Commissioner Don Stone
Mayor Robb Erickson, Ex-Officio

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Brenda Reynolds, Voluntary Announced Absence

City Staff, City Councilmembers, and Other Commissioners Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Michelle Hinojosa, Utility Clerk
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director
Jesse Valdez, City Councilmember

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the Water Commissioners present, Chair Mueller called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Water Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Roll Call: See above.

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Mueller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Citizen Comment Period: No one signed up to speak.

5. Business Items

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and/or action.

a) Approvals

- 1. Minutes for August 24, 2021, Water Commission Regular Meeting.**
- 2. Minutes for September 3, 2021, Water Commission Special Meeting.**

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Stone, seconded by Vice-Chair Harshbarger to approve the minutes for the August 24, 2021, Water Commission Regular Meeting and September 3, 2021, Water Commission Special Meeting. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Discussions/Reports/Updates

1. Utility Department Monthly Activity Report.

- i. Water Pumping/usage from City wells, Water system infrastructure maintenance, repairs and/or projects, and Water and/or Drought Management (current Watering Stage).**

Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director, reviewed the monthly activity report and answered questions from the Commission.

2. Items applicable to the Water Commission discussed at the September City Council Meeting.

Chair Mueller updated the Commission on the items applicable to the Commission discussed at the September City Council Meeting.

c) Recommendations

1. Water Commission activities and projects.

i. Update of Commissioner's activities and projects list and receive update from Commissioners.

The Commissioners updated the Commission on their activities and projects.

ii. Discuss and make possible recommendations on future meetings or direction regarding Water Commission activities and projects.

The Commission had none at this time.

2. Ordinance No. 210-022018 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge adopting board and commission policy and procedures; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

i. Receive recommendations and consideration of appointment of Water Commission Chair and Vice-Chair for a one-year term effective October 2021.

Chair Mueller and Vice-Chair Harshbarger volunteered to continue serving as Chair and Vice-Chair.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Dr. Carmichael, seconded by Commissioner Stone, for the appointment of Commissioner Mueller as Chair for a one-year term effective October 2021. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Haltaman, seconded by Commissioner Dr. Carmichael, for the appointment of Commissioner Harshbarger as Vice-Chair for a one-year term effective October 2021. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

ii. Discuss and make recommendations related to application of Ordinance provisions to Commission members, if needed.

The Commission had none at this time.

d) Future Agenda Items

1. Commissioners input on agenda items.

Vice-Chair Harshbarger requested to discuss the Water Rates. Commissioner Dr. Carmichael and Commissioner Haltaman requested to discuss the transferable water rights process under Ordinance No. 7-062017 Amendment #4.

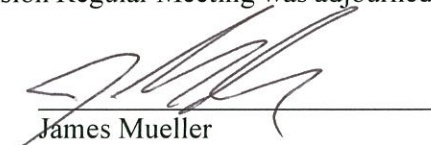
2. Announce the date, time, and location for next meeting (October 26, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall).

Chair Mueller announced the next Water Commission Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in the City Council Chambers.

6. Citizen Comment Period: No one wished to speak.

7. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Stone, seconded by Vice-Chair Harshbarger, to adjourn. The Commission voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Tuesday, September 28, 2021, Water Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m. by Chair Mueller.


James Mueller
Chair

ATTEST:

Michelle Hinojosa
Utility Clerk