



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018, 6:00 P.M.

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Larry Thompson
Mayor Pro-Tem John McCaw
Councilmember Robb Erickson
Councilmember Bryan Lantzy
Councilmember Todd Arvidson
Councilmember Kay Bower

Councilmembers Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, Interim City Secretary
Kat Balbi, Utility Clerk
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney
Ron Eberhardt, Police Chief
Royce Goddard, Water Manager
Brad Olivarri, Deputy Water Manager
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director
Kelly Curtright, Assistant Librarian
Karen Ford, Finance/HR

City Commission Representatives Present:

Dr. Jim Miller, Chair, Planning and Zoning Commission
David Krawczynski, Chair, Wildlife Management Advisory Commission
David Heier, Chair, Water Commission
Mike Shands, Chair, Quarry Commission

Other City Commissioners in Attendance:

Ken Kneupper, Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner
David Ringle, Planning and Zoning Commissioner
Jerry Barucky, Quarry Commissioner

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the City Council members present, Mayor Thompson called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 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

Two Scouts from Pack 828, along with Mayor Thompson, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Proclamation

a) Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Mayor Thompson presented a proclamation to Ellie Truan representing the Crisis Center of Comal County declaring October 2018 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Ellie Truan thanked Mayor Thompson and the City of Garden Ridge for helping the Crisis Center of Comal County raise awareness about Domestic Violence.

5. City/Employee Recognitions/Employee Introductions

a) Thank you from Triumphant Lutheran Church and the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority to the Garden Ridge Police Department for their hard work and dedication to keeping the community safe.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated a thank you was received from Triumphant Lutheran Church and the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority to the Garden Ridge Police Department for their hard work and dedication to keeping the community safe.

b) Thank you from The Osborn Family to the Garden Ridge Police Department for their hard work, professionalism, and perseverance.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated a thank you was received from the Osborn family to the Garden Ridge Police Department for their hard work, professionalism, and perseverance.

c) Thank you from Rev. Robert W. Dennard and the Garden Ridge Assembly to the City of Garden Ridge and its employees for their hard-work and dedication during the renovation of the church.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated a thank you was received from Rev. Robert W. Dennard and the Garden Ridge Assembly to the City of Garden Ridge and its employees for their hard-work and dedication during the renovation of the city rental facility which is the location of their church.

6. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

Michael Zimmerman, 29256 FM 3009, spoke regarding running for County Commissioner Precinct 2 and his ideas/priorities.

Tony Frasco, 8802 Wild Wind Park, spoke regarding development plans for the City of Garden Ridge.

Mary Rethman, 9450 Cinchona Trail, spoke regarding deer management.

Martha Stipp, 21007 Cedar Branch, spoke regarding Commissioner Hatch and the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission (see attached).

Ken Kneupper, 8891 Schoenthal Road, spoke regarding the City Secretary position and thanked the police department.

David Ringle, 9234 Blazing Star Trail, spoke regarding Domestic Violence Awareness Month and planning and development for the City of Garden Ridge.

7. Consent Agenda

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY BE ACTED UPON IN A SINGLE MOTION. NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OR ACTION ON ANY OF THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD UNLESS REQUESTED BY A MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS MAY BE HEARD DURING CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION, BUT COMMENTS HEARD DURING CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED OUTSIDE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

a) Approval of Minutes:

- i. August 21, 2018 City Council Special Meeting**
- ii. August 27, 2018 City Council Special Meeting**
- iii. August 27, 2018 City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission Joint Meeting**
- iv. September 5, 2018 City Council Regular Meeting**

b) Financial Statement, Summary Report, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations – August 31, 2018.

c) Consider the resignation of Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary, effective September 18, 2018.

d) Consider the approval of Marisa Spencer to serve as Interim City Secretary until such position is filled.

e) Consider the approval of Resolution 440-102018 designating the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung as the official newspaper for the City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

f) Consider the approval of Resolution 441-102018 for Treasury Management Services between First United Bank and the City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

g) Consider the approval of Resolution 443-102018 for Amending Authorized Representatives between TexPool and the City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

ACTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Lantzy, seconded by Councilmember Erickson, to approve the Consent Agenda items 7 a)-g). The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Business Items

The following items are for discussion, consideration and action.

a) Action on items pulled from the Consent Agenda.

No items were pulled from the Consent Agenda.

b) Staff Reports:

i. City Administrator Monthly Activity Report

- Community Center usage and financial report, Building Permits issued to date for residential, commercial and minor construction projects, City Council Idea/Suggestions, communication efforts, Citizen Concern/Input, and upcoming events.**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated she had nothing to add to her report aside from what was provided in the packet.

ii. Police Department Monthly Activity Report

- Traffic Enforcement, criminal activity within City, and Code Compliance Enforcement.**

Ron Eberhardt, Police Chief, stated National Night Out had a great turnout. He added the Police Department made 24 ID kits. They also began the implementation of Blue Crew program with 43 children. The Police Department offered Blue Crew t-shirts with a junior police badge to the children that signed to to be part of the "team.". He also stated the Police Department will be having another Pizza with the Police on November 28th, as well as offering multiple classes to residents over the next few months. He advised for anyone interested to call the Police Department for more information and to register.

Mayor Thompson thanked everyone who assisted in making National Night Out a successful, informative, and fun event.

iii. Public Works Monthly Activity Report

- **Street and right-of-way maintenance, drainage facility and easement maintenance, City facility maintenance, Animal Services (domestic and wild), Oak Wilt, Public Works Projects, and City parking lots.**

Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director, stated multiple staff members attended many trainings in September. He also stated that the Animal Services 2017-2018 Deer Pick Ups comparison that Councilmember Arvidson requested was included in his monthly report.

iv. Water Department Monthly Activity Report

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

Royce Goddard, Water Manager, provided an update on Well #10. He informed everyone about the plans of conducting training for residents on basic water maintenance at the Library as a Lunch and Learn.

Mayor Thompson thanked Royce Goddard, Water Manager, and his staff for their hard work and how informative they were at National Night Out.

v. Library Monthly Activity Report

- **Upcoming events**

Mayor Thompson encouraged everyone to see the upcoming events at the Library.

c) City Engineer Projects Status Reports:

Dan Mummert, P.E., Trihydro, City Engineer, reviewed the following items: CIP Project for 2015, Trinity Wells #9 and #10 Project, Naco-Loop Water Line Project, FM 2252 Sewer and Water Project, and Creekview Drainage (see attached).

i. CIP Project for 2015

1. **Trinity Wells #9 and #10 Project**
2. **Naco-Loop Water Line Project**

ii. Sewer System (FM 2252)

iii. CIP Program recommendations.

iv. The Park of Garden Ridge drainage.

d) City Commission and Committee Reports/Recommendations/Possible Actions

i. Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendation and Possible Action:

1. **Receive recommendation to extend the October 1, 2018 date for the rewriting of Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances.**

Dr. Jim Miller, Chair, stated he is asking to extend the October 1, 2018 date for the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance rewriting due to problems experienced in having a quorum in order to hold meetings. He stated the

Commission had an extensive discussion to determine a date; however, they did not come up with a concrete date for the completion of the ordinance. They unanimously voted to begin with district five and work their way to district one and assigning each district a deadline at their next meeting. He also stated he feels the Commission will be able to get more work done with the additional regular meeting a month and applicants will be interviewed to fill their vacancy at the next meeting.

a. Discuss and take action on recommendation.

The City Council discussed the recommendation and suggested possible dates and deadlines. They also applauded the Commission's hard work and discussed authorizing City Staff to bring in help to assist with the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance rewrite. City Council by consensus agreed to leave the deadline open-ended until next month allowing time for the Commission to fill their vacancy.

b. City Council direction to Planning and Zoning Commission and City Staff regarding said Ordinance rewrites.

Mayor Thompson stated City Staff has begun exploring options of getting help to complete the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance and will have more information at the November meeting.

2. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

Dr. Jim Miller, Chair, stated he expected to have more information and hopefully a recommendation to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission for City Council at their next meeting.

ii. Quarry Commission Recommendations and Possible Action:

1. Expiring terms (September 30, 2018) of Commissioners (Commissioners Holly, DuBois, and Barucky).

a. Receive recommendation for the reappointment of Commissioners DuBois and Barucky to serve another term (term expiring September 30, 2020).

Mike Shands, Chair, stated the Quarry Commission unanimously voted to recommend to City Council to reappoint Commissioner DuBois and Commissioner Barucky to serve another term with term expiring September 30, 2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw, seconded by Councilmember Lantzy, to reappoint Commissioner DuBois and Commissioner Barucky to serve another term with term expiring September 30, 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Findings of cause for reappointment of Commissioner Holly for another term of office as Specified in Ordinance 210-022018, Section III. E. 1 and 2.

Mike Shands, Chair, stated Commissioner Holly has a wealth of knowledge and is a value to the Quarry Commission. He also stated Commissioner Holly would like to serve another term of office and the Quarry Commission currently does not have any applicants interested in joining the Quarry Commission.

c. Receive recommendation for the reappointment of Commissioner Holly to serve another term as specified in Ordinance 210-022018 Section III. E. for the purpose of good cause.

Mike Shands, Chair, stated the Quarry Commission unanimously voted to recommend to City Council to waive the term limit specified in Ordinance 210-022018 and to reappoint Commissioner Holly to serve another term for the purpose of good cause.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Lantzy, seconded by Councilmember Arvidson, to waive the term limit specified in Ordinance 210-022018 and to reappoint Commissioner Holly to serve another term with term expiring September 30, 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Request from Buckley Powder Co. for a Partial Exemption Permit to conduct blasting activities at the Hanson Quarry for the period of October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019, with a permit fee of \$22,054.20.

a. Receive recommendation from Quarry Commission.

Mike Shands, Chair, stated the Quarry Commission reviewed and discussed the Partial Exemption Permit requested by Buckley Powder Co. to conduct blasting activities at the Hanson Quarry for the period of October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019, with a permit fee of \$22,054.20. He also stated the Quarry Commission unanimously voted to recommend to City Council the approval of the request.

b. Take action on recommendation on Partial Exemption Permit.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Lantzy, seconded by Councilmember Erickson, to approve the recommendation from the Quarry Commission to approve the request from Buckley Powder Co. for a Partial Exemption Permit to conduct blasting activities at the Hanson Quarry for the period of October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019, with a permit fee of \$22,054.20. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

Mike Shands, Chair, stated that it has been a relatively quiet month with regards to blasting.

iii. Water Commission Recommendations and Possible Action:

1. Expiring terms (September 30, 2018) of Commissioners (Commissioners Bullard and Pitzen).

a. Receive recommendation for the reappointment of Commissioners Bullard and Pitzen to serve another term (term expiring September 30, 2020).

David Heier, Chair, stated the Water Commission unanimously voted to recommend to City Council to reappoint Commissioner Bullard and Commissioner Pitzen to serve another term with term expiring September 30, 2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw, seconded by Councilmember Bower, to reappoint Commissioner Bullard and Commissioner Pitzen to serve another term with term expiring September 30, 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Place 3 vacancy (term expiring September 30, 2020).

a. Receive recommendation for the appointment of Jesus Valdez.

David Heier, Chair, stated the Water Commission unanimously voted to recommend to City Council to appoint Jesus Valdez to the Water Commission Place 3 vacancy with term expiring September 30, 2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Lantzy, to appoint Jesus Valdez to the Water Commission Place 3 vacancy with term expiring September 30, 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

David Heier, Chair, stated the Water Commission is moving forward with activities and projects presented by the Mayor at their last meeting (see attached). He also stated the Water Commission received an informative presentation from the General Manager of Edwards Aquifer Authority.

Mayor Thompson thanked the Water Commission for accepting his presentation and projects with eagerness.

iv. Wildlife Management Advisory Commission:

1. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

David Krawczynski, Chair, stated they do not have any recommendations this month. He also stated survey population results were received from Texas Parks and Wildlife today (see attached).

He also announced the Thursday, October 11, 2018, Special Joint Meeting between City Council and the Wildlife Management Advisory Commission where the Comal County Biologist will be giving a presentation with a question and answer session following the presentation.

Councilmember McCaw stated after talking with Nikki Prather from the U.S. Humane Society, he is unsure if the methods in her plan would be applicable for Garden Ridge. He still would like for the Commission to look into if Garden Ridge could use any of those methods.

v. Garden Ridge Parks Committee:

1. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated Shelby Trial resigned from Chair of the Garden Ridge Parks Committee and has been replaced by Kathy Trial. She also stated the Park Committee is currently working on the Christmas Tree Lighting Event to be held on December 4th, 2018.

vi. Volunteer Garden Ridge!

1. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

Mayor Thompson thanked Dr. Miller for manning the Volunteer Garden Ridge table at National Night Out and stated that we could always use volunteers. Moreover, the Volunteer Garden Ridge Program needs assistance with it's administrative leadership. He asked for Council to continue to get the word out on the program.

e) Approvals/Authorizations/Reports/Discussion

i. Tri-County Chamber of Commerce.

1. Join Tri-County Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember Lantzy stated he would like to know the benefit and cost for the City in joining this Chamber. Councilmember Bower stated she would like this item to remain on the agenda until more information is obtained. Councilmember Arvidson stated it might be premature to join right now; however, it could be beneficial in the future. Mayor Thompson asked Councilman Arvidson to further research the topic.

ii. Ordinance.

1. Ordinance 162-092018 amending the nuisance abatement program for the City of Garden Ridge; establishing a penalty; providing that this Ordinance shall be cumulative of all Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing an effective date.

a. Receive and act on Ordinance 162-092018.

Mayor Thompson stated he intended for City Council to have more time to read over this Ordinance, but thorough coordination took more time than expected. He reminded them they had the option to act on Ordinance 162-092018 at this time or defer until November.

Councilmember Bower stated she would like to move the Ordinance to the November agenda in order to allow more time for review. City Council by consensus agreed to move Ordinance 162 to the November regular meeting agenda.

iii. Resolution.

- 1. Resolution 442-102018 authorizing the City Building Inspector to issue a building permit for the construction or installation of a flag pole at 21400 Fairview Circle due to special circumstances related to location of proposed construction.**

- a. Receive and act on Resolution 442-102018.**

Mayor Thompson explained the reasoning behind this request, stating the resident's grandson is in his first year at West Point and he would like to have a flag in his front yard when his grandson comes back for the holidays.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Arvidson, to approve Resolution 442-102018, authorizing the City Building Inspector to issue a building permit for the construction or installation of a flag pole at 21400 Fairview Circle due to special circumstances related to location of proposed construction. The City Council voted four (4) for and one (1) opposed (Councilmember Lantzy). The motion passed by a vote of 4-1.

iv. Direction to Planning and Zoning Commission regarding Ordinance 13-062017.

- 1. Direction to Planning and Zoning Commission to amend Ordinance 13-062017, deleting section 5.1.13 regarding the 70-foot Extreme High Voltage electric transmission easement and incorporating flag pole construction and installation as reflected in Resolution 442-102018.**

City Council by consensus directed the Planning and Zoning Commission to amend Ordinance 13-062017, deleting section 5.1.13 regarding the 70-foot Extreme High Voltage electric transmission easement and incorporating flag pole construction and installation as reflected in Resolution 442-102018.

f) Updates.

- i. Workflow Management Program and Policy**

- 1. Receive a status report.**

Marisa Spencer, Interim City Secretary, stated while going through what had already been done regarding the Workflow Management Program she and Brad Olivarri found areas that could be improved to be more effective and cost saving. She stated appropriate action has been completed and they are now loading the Field Force Management Application on each tablet and working on scheduling staff training.

- ii. City Administrator Projects.**

- 1. Volunteer opportunities – City Commissions.**

- a. Vacancy remains on Planning and Zoning Commission.**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated there are three (3) applicants to be interviewed at the next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

- iii. Mayor's Projects.**

- 1. Communication Report.**

Mayor Thompson stated the purpose of further communication through the city sign on FM 2252 has proven to be effective. He stated a resident came in and adopted a kitten because they saw the message on the city sign and many residents indicated they attended Coffee with the Mayor because they saw it on the city sign.

Mayor Thompson stated a traffic study on FM 3009 to reduce the speed limit has been requested and he will provide more information in the future. He also stated he has been talking to TXDOT about the safety concerns on Schoenthal Loop to see what can be done.

Mayor Thompson also stated after talking to CPS Energy, he hopes to have more information on solar including an analysis and options at the next City Council meeting.

2. Citizen Contact Report.

Mayor Thompson stated he had citizens express concerns regarding tree trimming and failure to seal the wounds. He stated the City and Police Department are collectively trying to spread the word on Oak Wilt through the City's website and grapevine.

Mayor Thompson explained he was contacted by a resident concerned with a situation regarding a bat and a rattlesnake being placed in the same container at the elementary school. Mayor Thompson thanked Eric Lowman, Animal Services, for getting the facts about what occurred. Mayor Thompson was then able to provide that information to the Citizen.

3. City Facility Update.

a. Garden Ridge Community and Event Center.

Mayor Thompson stated the flyer for the Garden Ridge Community and Event Center is complete and will be used to market the facility (see attached). He also stated work is still being done to make the Garden Ridge Community and Event Center even more attractive as a rental venue.

4. Ordinance Revision Process.

Mayor Thompson stated this will continue to be a work in progress.

5. Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC Update.

a. Contested Hearing with TCEQ

Mayor Thompson reviewed the estimated cost for the contested hearing with TCEQ and referenced how the City would have to show we were an injured party. Councilmember Lantzy expressed his concerns for wasting money on this matter. Councilmember Erickson suggested to leave on the agenda for another month for Councilmember Arvidson to see if he can get more information.

v. City Council Projects.

1. Update on Water Rate Study (McCaw with the Mayor).

Mayor Thompson stated the City issued a solicitation for proposals for a Water Rate Study. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, October 9, 2018.

2. City of Garden Ridge window stickers for vehicles (Erickson).

Councilmember Erickson showed sample window stickers; however, he stated these were not the type of stickers he was wanting but will continue working on the project.

3. Postal mail issues occurring within the City (Lantzy).

Councilmember Lantzy stated he has not heard back from the Postal Inspector, but he will continue working on this issue.

4. Update on City-funded monument for Paul Davis Park (Bower).

Councilmember Bower stated she will be getting pictures and pricing of the types of monuments she has been looking into.

g) Future Agenda Items

Councilmember Erickson requested adopt a highway program for FM 2252 “Families of Garden Ridge” be added to the next agenda in order to publicly thank the volunteers.

Councilmember Arvidson requested discussion of a “Memorial Highway” designation for late Mayor Dalton.

9. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 20 minutes total

David Ringle, 9234 Blazing Star Trail, spoke regarding deer management, direction from City Council to the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance rewrites, and money spent by the City.

Ken Kneupper, 8891 Schoenthal Road, spoke regarding Coffee with a Cop.

Marianne Sterling, 9006 Cinnabar Court, spoke regarding tabling deer trapping.

Sharon Stripling, 21729 Forest Waters Circle, spoke regarding code enforcement.

Chris Easley, 9425 Blazing Star Trail, spoke regarding a near vehicle vs. deer collision she witnessed and rabies vaccination for pets.

10. Reports and Comments from Mayor and City Councilmembers

The Mayor and/or City Councilmembers may comment, make general announcements and/or provide progress reports on events, activities and/or committees/board meetings concerning the following:

Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (“AAMPO”)

Boy Scouts and/or Girl Scouts

City Commissions (Planning and Zoning, Quarry, Water, and Wildlife Management Advisory)

City of Garden Ridge sponsored events and outreach efforts

Comal ISD/Garden Ridge Elementary

Counties (Bexar, Comal and Guadalupe)

Garden Ridge Lions Club

Garden Ridge Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association/Citizen Patrol

Greater Bexar County Council of Cities

Joint Base Land Use Study-Randolph

Northeast Partnership

Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw stated the Danville Middle School dedication was interesting and entertaining. He also announced the Lions Club Annual Fish Fry and Auction would be held this Saturday 3pm-6:30pm with a live auction at 6:45pm.

Councilmember Arvidson agreed the Danville Middle School dedication was informative and added that the schools in Comal ISD are rapidly growing.

Councilmember Bower suggested having copies of the library events calendar available at City Council meetings.

11. Executive Session

The City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Executive Session:

a) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney

- 1. To seek legal advice in connection with settlement negotiations and other issues related to Hanson Aggregates operations, blasting and possible amendments to Ordinance 34.**
- 2. To seek legal advice on pending or contemplated litigation related to dismissal of terminated employee.**

Mayor Thompson announced the City Council will recess at 8:50 p.m. and reconvene into Executive Session at 8:55 p.m., in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.071, to consult with the City Attorney on items 1 and 2 stated above.

Mayor Thompson adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened back into Regular Session at 10:02 p.m.

12. Business Items (continued)

The City Council will reconvene into Regular Session upon conclusion of the Executive Session and may recall any item posted for Executive Session for action, as necessary.

Mayor Thompson announced there is no action to be taken.

13. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Erickson, seconded by Councilmember Arvidson, to adjourn. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Wednesday, October 3, 2018, City Council regular meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m. by Mayor Thompson.



Larry Thompson
Mayor

ATTEST



Marisa Spencer
Interim City Secretary

SIGN IN TO SPEAK AT THE OCTOBER 3, 2018 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

Rules for Citizens' Participation:

The City Council welcomes citizen participation and comments at all City Council Meetings. The City Council offers citizens the opportunity to address them by signing up to speak prior to the meeting. If you speak, you follow these guidelines:

- Respect and courtesy:
 - Direct your comments to the entire City Council, not to an individual member, nor to the audience.
 - Show the City Council the same respect that you would like to be shown.
 - End your speaking at the time allotted below.
- Speaking:
 - First citizen comment period
 - You are required to sign up to speak.
 - You are limited to one 3 minute period.
 - Business item period
 - You are required to sign up to speak.
 - You are limited to one 3 minute period.
 - Second citizen comment period
 - You are not required to sign up.
 - You are limited to one 2 minute period.
 - State your name and address before your comments begin.
 - You are only allowed to speak once per topic, unless also speaking during a posted Public Hearing.

NOTE: The Texas Open Meetings Act permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting. However, any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting and any response to a question posed to the City Council is limited to either a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy. TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.042

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
1. MICHAEL ZIMMERMAN	29256 FH 3019	County Commission, Pet 2
2. Tony FRASCO	8802 Wildwood PK	FUTURE
3. Mary Bethman	9450 Dinkhona	deer
4. Mordha Shipp	21607 Cedar Branch	council comments
5. Michael	3802 Springdale St	city
6. KEN KUEPPER	8841 SCHEGENTHAC RD	ASST. CITY SECRETARY
7. David C. Ringle	9234 Blazing Star Trl.	Municipal Code Officers
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10.		

I am here tonight to talk about a discussion that took place at the last City Council meeting concerning Commissioner Hatch's reappointment to the Wildlife Advisory Commission.

I understand that at this meeting many unsubstantiated statements were made regarding Commissioner Hatch's performance as a commissioner. For example, she was described as being disruptive to the functioning of the meetings. This is simply not a true statement. I have observed Mrs. Hatch as always being very well-prepared. She has given numerous well-researched ideas like the deer deterrent highway reflector system. She has even put together a wonderful educational program on pollinator plants for butterflies. I saw in this month's Grapevine that she has another interesting program planned for the October meeting. Commissioner Hatch's demeanor has been nothing but professional at every meeting. On the other hand, I have observed the chairman of the commission interrupting Mrs. Hatch on numerous occasions. A behavior, by the way, that seems to be directed only at her. So why was Commissioner Hatch's reappointment even questioned? Was it because she seeks wildlife management methods that are different from the Commission and City Council majority's position? Isn't it the Wildlife Commission's role to seek out the best ideas instead of just rubber stamping the City Council's policies? If the role is to be merely a rubber stamp, then there really is no need for a wildlife commission.

The allegations made by a council member at last month's meeting were based on second-hand information. This person has not been attending the Wildlife Commission meetings. I know this for a fact since I have been to all but one of these meetings where I took careful notes.

There are no facts to back up any of the allegations brought against Commissioner Hatch. Without facts these statements amount to slander and even bullying. Since when is that acceptable in a meeting by a city representative? Citizens are reminded of the rules of decorum that are expected of them in the agenda of every meeting. Shouldn't these same rules apply to those on the other side of the dais as well?

I strongly feel that Commissioner Hatch should receive a formal apology on the record, in an open meeting for the groundless attacks on her character. And from now on, let's treat each other with more respect. No more

slanderous remarks. No more mean personal attacks that could become part of the public record. This kind of behavior is no longer tolerated in our society.

Councilman Lantzy, I am now talking directly to you. You should apologize to Commissioner Hatch or you should resign.

Submitted by: Martha Stipp



memorandum

To: Garden Ridge City Council
Cc: Ms. Nancy Cain, City Administrator – City of Garden Ridge
From: Mr. Patrick Lackey, P.E./Mr. Daniel Mummert, P.E. – Trihydro Corporation
Date: September 24, 2018
Re: Trihydro Corporation – Engineering Report October 2018 Meeting

1. 2015 CIP Street, Water and Drainage Project – Qro-Mex Construction
 - The one-year warranty period will end on October 31, 2018. Trihydro and City staff are currently conducting inspections looking for warranty repair items.
 - If there are concerns from property owners, please bring them to our attention by October 17, 2018 to allow time to evaluate and address those concerns prior to the warranty period ending.
2. Wells 9 & 10 and Booster Pump Facility – Pesado Construction
 - Pesado Construction notified Trihydro they have completed the outstanding punch list items except for placing topsoil. The topsoil will be placed as soon as the site dries out. A final review of the punch list items will be conducted the week of September 24, 2018. We will begin closing out the project after the punch list completion is verified.
 - Trihydro conveyed, the liquidated damages discussion comments from Council during the September Council Meeting regarding liquidated damages, to Pesado on September 10, 2018. Pesado was agreeable to the requested changes. The City Attorney is preparing a formal letter to Pesado that will close out the liquidated damages claim.
3. Naco Loop Water Line (Winco) – Wauter's Engineering
 - Wauter's Engineering completed the project.
 - We are awaiting the final retainage request and closeout documents from Wauter's.
 - The project was completed for the bid amount of \$276,068.32.
4. FM 2252 TxDOT Project
 - No update from TxDOT this month.



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5. FM 2252 Sewer and Water Project

- CCMA is actively working to update their impact fee area to include Garden Ridge. Trihydro reviewed the proposed boundary and provided comments.

6. Creekview Drainage

- The Mayor, Public Works Director and Trihydro conducted held a meeting with the Creekview Oaks property owners on September 12, 2018 to present the record subdivision construction documentation.



City of Garden Ridge
Water Commission

Proposed Commission Projects
for the future of
Garden Ridge's Water System

Larry Thompson
September 25, 2018



Garden Ridge Water Commission

As our Water Company Advisory Board,
the Commission should have a stronger role in the
"Business" of the Water Company...



Why These Projects?

- Address current issues
 - Cease operating under a loss (\$145K in 2017, \$226K in 2016)
 - Ensure infrastructure assurance and investment
 - Critical to reliability, public's expectations and fiscal health
 - Address old(er) and outdated operations paradigms
 - Refine source acquisitions and management decisions
 - Determine appropriate water rates
- Rework Ordinances
- Provide strategic direction
 - Address all above to determine budgets / resource allocations
- Leverage talent and experience of the Commission



Project Categories

1. Infrastructure Health & Maintenance
2. Governance and Procedures
3. Source / Supply Management
4. Strategic Planning...



Infrastructure Health & Maintenance

- Work with Water Manager
 - Examine Infrastructure Health
 - Well, pumps, lines, etc.
 - Maintenance, inspections and testing
 - Equipment and supplies
 - Historical analysis
 - Provide oversight on schedules and budgets (recurring)
- Input findings into Strategic Planning



Governance and Procedures

- Ordinances
 - Operations, Plans and Fees
 - Leak adjustment standards and process
- Water Rates
 - Based on Rate Study and Infrastructure Analysis
 - Fiscally responsible and competitive
 - Encourage conservation / Manage demand
- Revise and plan to periodically review ordinances



Source / Supply Management

- Examine Sources
 - Quantity, reliability, cost and future of each
 - Sources management
 - Pre-paid vs. pay as used
 - Potential to save funds and/or recover costs
- Examine Demand
 - Seasonal and Episodic, Historic and Predictive
- Effective & efficient management = fiscal health



Strategic Planning

- Fuse analyses
 - Infrastructure Health & Maintenance
 - Governance and Procedures
 - Source / Supply Management
- Help guide resource allocation
- Provide Budget input in Spring w/periodic updates
- Update as appropriate



Suggested Way Forward

- Break into working groups in appropriate areas
 - Determine Goals / Objectives / Milestones
 - Coordinate with Staff
- Schedule prog reports & deliveries to Commission
- Put together into Comprehensive Plan
- Deliver to Council
- Schedule "field trips" with Water Manager
 - Visit well sites, storage areas, neighborhoods & SCADA

DEER POPULATION SUMMARY

Ranch: Garden Ridge

Survey Technique: Spotlight & Herd Comp

County: Comal

Year: 2018

Survey Route/Pasture	Date	Deer Observed					Acres Sampled	Acres Per Deer	Deer Per 1,000 Ac.
		Bucks	Does	Fawns	Undet	Total			
Spotlight Survey	7.31.2018	18	44	16		78	198	2.54	393.7
Spotlight Survey	7.18.2018	3	44	36		83	198	2.39	418.4
Spotlight Survey	8.1.2018	16	71	62		149	198	1.33	751.9
Spotlight Survey	8.3.2018	17	62	39		118	198	1.68	595.2
Spotlight Survey	8.7.2018	4	43	32		79	198	2.51	398.4
Spotlight Survey	8.9.2018	13	59	47	3	122	198	1.62	617.3
Spotlight Survey	8.10.2018	15	64	44		123	198	1.61	621.1
Spotlight Survey	8.12.2018	11	62	34		107	198	1.85	540.5
Spotlight Survey	8.16.2018	6	70	47		123	198	1.61	621.1
Spotlight Survey	8.24.2018	11	56	41		108	198	1.83	546.4
Survey Totals		114	575	398	3	1,090	1,980	1.82	549.5
Incidental Observations									
Combined Totals		114	575	398		1,087			

Ranch Size (ac.): 2,780

Harvest Recommendation

Antlered Bucks:

Acres/Deer: 1.82

Does/Buck: 5.04

Fawns/Doe: 0.69

Composition -

Bucks: 10.5%

Does: 52.9%

Fawns: 36.6%

Antlerless Deer:

Deer/1,000Ac: 550.51

Adult/1,000Ac: 348.94

Acres/Adult: 2.87

Estimated Population -

Bucks: 160

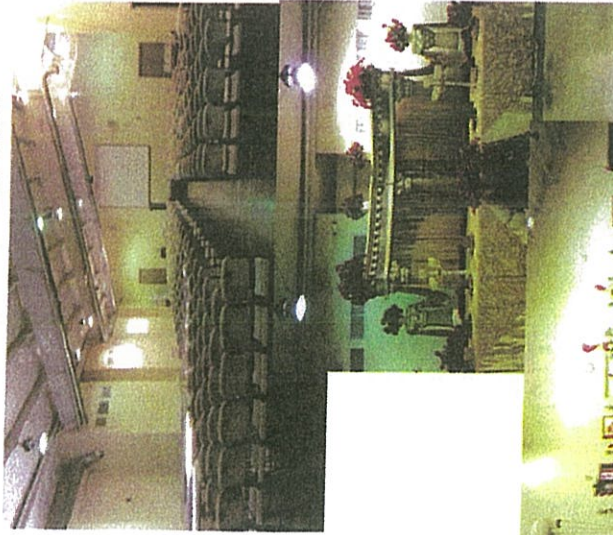
Does: 809

Fawns: 561

Total: 1,530

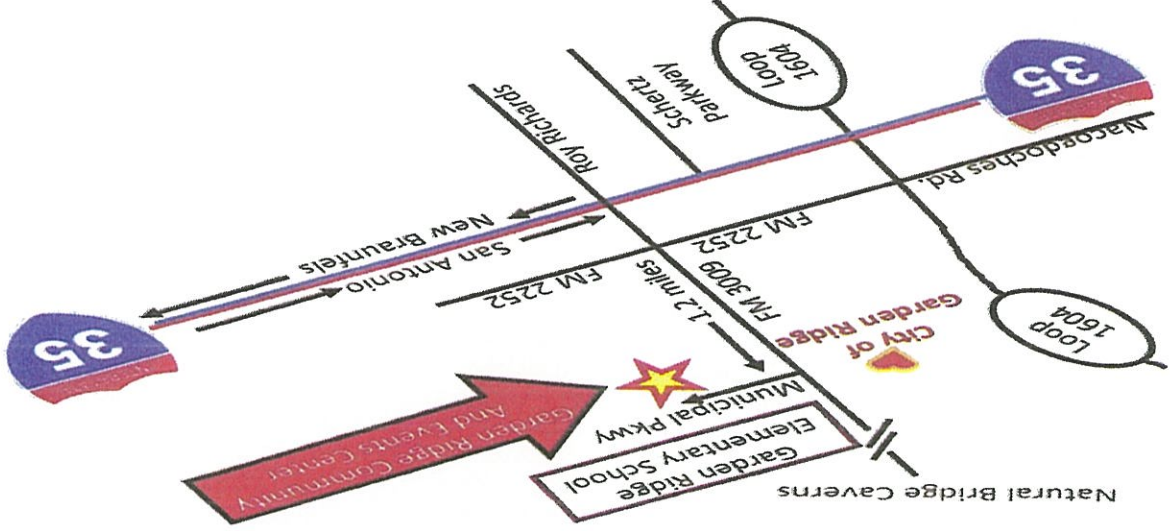
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Wildflower Room

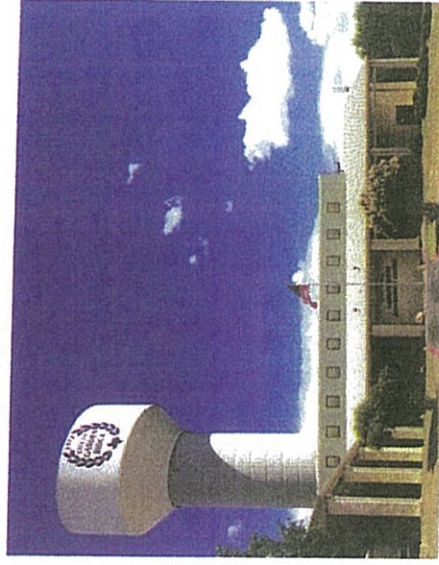


Seating: 600
Size: 6,000 sq. ft.

Map



COMMUNITY AND EVENT CENTER



The gathering place for your event



Located on the Edge of the Beautiful Hill Country

Wildflower Room

- ◆ Parties
- ◆ Weddings & Receptions
- ◆ Trade Shows
- ◆ Retirements
- ◆ Reunions
- ◆ Graduations
- ◆ Celebrations of Life
- ◆ Exhibits
- ◆ Seminars
- ◆ Corporate Training

Open floor plan that can meet the needs of any event. The versatile setting of this room is perfect.



Bluebonnet Room



Great place for conferences, bridal parties, baby showers, and more.

Seating: 40

Size: 600 sq. ft.

Covered Pavilion



Large covered pavilion (1,440 sq. ft.) and two smaller covered patios.

Community Center Amenities

- ◆ Caterer of your choice
- ◆ Commercial kitchen
- ◆ Ice Machine
- ◆ AV presentation equipment
- ◆ Wi-Fi
- ◆ Surround sound
- ◆ Alcohol allowed
- ◆ Tables, chairs
- ◆ Stage
- ◆ Free parking

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