



City of Garden Ridge

"A way of life, not just a place to live"

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

Councilmembers Present:

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

Councilmembers Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Administrator
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Kat Balbi, Utility Clerk
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney
Dan Bellinger, Police Lieutenant
Karen Ford, Finance/HR
Jacob Parsons, Water Manager
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director
Linda Crosland, Librarian

City Commission Representatives Present:

Dr. Jim Miller, Chair, Planning and Zoning Commission

Other City Commissioners in Attendance:

Mark Hausheer, Vice-Chair, Planning and Zoning Commission
Karen Diaz, Planning and Zoning Commissioner
David Dauer, Planning and Zoning Commissioner
Jesse Valdez, Planning and Zoning Commissioner/Water Commissioner
Ken Kneupper, Wildlife Management Advisory Commissioner

1. Call to Order

With a quorum of the City Council members present, Mayor Thompson called the special meeting of the Garden Ridge City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 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

Mayor Thompson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Proclamation

a) **Police Week and Peace Officers Memorial Day.**

Mayor Thompson presented a proclamation to Lt. Bellinger, Garden Ridge Police Department, declaring the week of May 12th-18th, 2019, as National Police Week and May 15th, 2019, as Peace Officers Memorial Day in the City of Garden Ridge.

Lt. Bellinger, Garden Ridge Police Department, spoke regarding the uniqueness of Garden Ridge in the level of positive and personal interactions between law enforcement and citizens. He thanked the citizens for their continued support of the police department.

Councilmember Bower presented a decorative police themed wreath to the Garden Ridge Police Department in honor of National Police Week.

The City Council thanked Lt. Bellinger and the Garden Ridge Police Department for their friendship and community involvement while keeping Garden Ridge safe, adding the citizens have a deep respect for the police department.

5. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total

Mayor Thompson reviewed the rules for Citizen Comment Period.

Shelby Trial, 21657 Forest Waters Circle, thanked past, present, and future Councilmembers for their service to the City of Garden Ridge. He spoke regarding the great leadership, staff, and citizens in Garden Ridge.

6. Business Items

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

a) Canvass the results of the May 4, 2019, General Election of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, and declare the results of said election.

Nancy Cain, City Administrator, stated 1,000 ballots were cast in the May 4, 2019, General Election, equating to 30% of registered voters in the City of Garden Ridge. She stated Larry Thompson received 65.58% of ballots cast, Lisa Swint received 68.05% of ballots cast, and Bryan Lantzy received 61.28% of ballots cast. Nancy Cain, City Administrator, congratulated each of them.

Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw, seconded by Councilmember Bower, to approve the canvass and acceptance of results declaring Larry Thompson as Mayor, Lisa Swint as City Council Place 2, and Bryan Lantzy as City Council Place 3. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Councilmember Closing Statement (Erickson).

Councilmember Erickson spoke regarding the Garden Ridge Farmers' Market on May 11th. He stated it was a great success and a second one has been scheduled for Saturday, June 8th from 9am-1pm. He thanked Kat Balbi, Utility Clerk, for her hard work in organizing the event, adding she played a huge role in the event's success.

Councilmember Erickson individually thanked and spoke regarding City Attorney Cynthia Trevino, City Secretary Marisa Spencer, City Administrator Nancy Cain, Chief Eberhardt, Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw, Councilmember Lantzy, Councilmember Arvidson, Councilmember Bower, Councilmember Swint, and Mayor Thompson. He spoke regarding his family and thanked them as well as the citizens of Garden Ridge for their support throughout his time serving on City Council.

c) Issue Certificates of Election and Administer Oaths of Office to Larry Thompson for Mayor, Lisa Swint for City Council Place 2, and Bryan Lantzy for City Council Place 3.

Mayor Thompson issued the Certificate of Election for Mayor, City Council Place 2, and City Council Place 3. Larry Thompson, Lisa Swint, and Bryan Lantzy took their Oaths of Office and former Councilmember Erickson stepped down for Councilmember Swint to take her elected seat of City Council Place 2.

d) Election of Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year period expiring May 2020.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Bower, seconded by Councilmember Arvidson, to reappoint John McCaw as Mayor Pro-Tem for a one-year period expiring May 2020. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

e) Designation of authorized signers on bank accounts held by the City of Garden Ridge with First United Bank and TexPool.

Mayor Thompson stated the current authorized signers are the City Administrator, City Secretary, Mayor, and Mayor Pro-Tem.

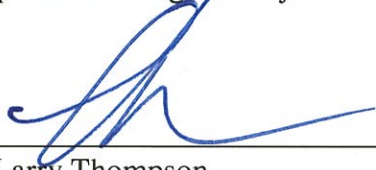
Motion: A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McCaw, seconded by Councilmember Swint, to maintain the designation of authorized signers on bank accounts held by the City of Garden Ridge with First United Bank and TexPool as the City Administrator, City Secretary, Mayor, and Mayor Pro-Tem. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

f) Announcement of reception honoring Councilmember Erickson immediately following adjournment.

Mayor Thompson announced there will be a reception in the City Council Chambers to honor former Councilmember Erickson and his family immediately following adjournment, encouraging everyone to remain seated.

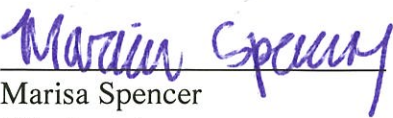
7. Adjournment

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Swint, seconded by Councilmember Bower, to adjourn. The City Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, the Tuesday, May 14, 2019, City Council special meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m. by Mayor Thompson.



Larry Thompson
Mayor

ATTEST



Marisa Spencer
City Secretary

Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Garden Ridge Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Garden Ridge; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that we express our gratitude for the dedicated service and courageous deeds of law enforcement officers and for the contributions they have made to the security and well-being of all our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Larry Thompson, Mayor of Garden Ridge, Texas, call upon all citizens of Garden Ridge and upon all patriotic, civil and educational organizations to observe the week of May 12 through 18, 2019, as

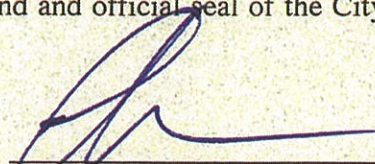
NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

I ask all citizens to join in commemorating police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in doing so, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I FURTHER, call upon all citizens of Garden Ridge to observe May 15, 2019, as Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty. To date we have lost 23,716 Peace Officers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal of the City of the Garden Ridge this 14th day of May, 2019.





Larry Thompson
Mayor

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**SIGN IN TO SPEAK AT THE MAY 14, 2019
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL 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:

- a) Respect and courtesy:
 - i. Direct your comments to the entire City Council, not to an individual member, nor to the audience.
 - ii. Show the City Council the same respect that you would like to be shown.
 - iii. End your speaking at the time allotted below.
- b) Speaking:
 - i. First citizen comment period
 1. You are required to sign up to speak.
 2. You are limited to one 3 minute period.
 - ii. Business item period
 1. You are required to sign up to speak.
 2. You are limited to one 3 minute period.
 - iii. Second citizen comment period
 1. You are not required to sign up.
 2. You are limited to one 2 minute period.
 - iv. State your name and address before your comments begin.
 - v. 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*

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1.	SHUBY TRIAL	21657 FOREST WATERS CIR.	GENERAL
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COMAL COUNTY, TEXAS**GENERAL ELECTION**

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Official results**Registered Voters**

1000 of 3330 = 30.03 %

Precincts Reporting

1 of 1 = 100.00 %

Mayor - Vote for none or one

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
Larry Thompson		4	100.00%	452	70.63%	198	55.93%	654	65.53%
David C. Ringle		0	0.00%	188	29.38%	156	44.07%	344	34.47%
Cast Votes:		4	100.00%	640	100.00%	354	100.00%	998	100.00%
Undervotes:		0		1		1		2	
Overvotes:		0		0		0		0	

Alderman (Councilmember), Place Two - Vote for none or one

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
Frankie Friend		0	0.00%	175	27.56%	141	40.29%	316	31.95%
Lisa Swint		4	100.00%	460	72.44%	209	59.71%	673	68.05%
Cast Votes:		4	100.00%	635	100.00%	350	100.00%	989	100.00%
Undervotes:		0		6		5		11	
Overvotes:		0		0		0		0	

Alderman (Councilmember), Place Three - Vote for none or one

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
Martha Stipp		1	25.00%	216	34.18%	164	47.13%	381	38.72%
Bryan Lantzy		3	75.00%	416	65.82%	184	52.87%	603	61.28%
Cast Votes:		4	100.00%	632	100.00%	348	100.00%	984	100.00%
Undervotes:		0		9		7		16	
Overvotes:		0		0		0		0	

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Official Canvass**

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Mayor - Vote for none or one

Precinct	Larry Thompson	David C. Ringle	Cast Votes	Undervotes	Overvotes	Absentee Voting Ballots Cast	Early Voting Ballots Cast	Election Day Voting Ballots Cast	Total Ballots Cast	Registered Voters	Turnout Percentage
Garden Ridge	654	344	998	2	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %
Totals	654	344	998	2	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %

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Alderman (Councilmember), Place Two - Vote for none or one

Precinct	Frankie Friend	Lisa Swint	Cast Votes	Undervotes	Overvotes	Absentee Voting Ballots Cast	Early Voting Ballots Cast	Election Day Voting Ballots Cast	Total Ballots Cast	Registered Voters	Turnout Percentage
Garden Ridge	316	673	989	11	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %
Totals	316	673	989	11	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %

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Alderman (Councilmember), Place Three - Vote for none or one

Precinct	Martha Stipp	Bryan Lantzy	Cast Votes	Undervotes	Overvotes	Absentee Voting Ballots Cast	Early Voting Ballots Cast	Election Day Voting Ballots Cast	Total Ballots Cast	Registered Voters	Turnout Percentage
Garden Ridge	381	603	984	16	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %
Totals	381	603	984	16	0	4	641	355	1000	3330	30.03 %

CANVASS OF GENERAL ELECTION

I, Larry Thompson, Mayor of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, met with the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, sitting as the canvassing board to canvass the General Election of May 4, 2019, on May 14, 2019, in the City Council Chambers, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas.

I certify that the figures on the tally sheets correspond with the figures on the returns.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of May, 2019.





Larry Thompson, Mayor
Presiding Officer of Canvassing Authority



In the name and by the authority of the

STATE OF TEXAS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a General Election held on

May 4, 2019

Larry Thompson

was duly elected

MAYOR

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, this the 14th day of May, 2019.



Larry Thompson, Mayor
Presiding Officer of Canvassing Authority

STATEMENT OF OFFICER

Statement

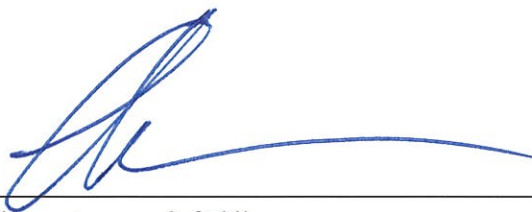
I, Larry Thompson, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

Title of Position to Which Elected/Appointed: Mayor

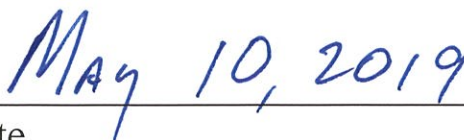
City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

Execution

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated therein are true.



Signature of Officer

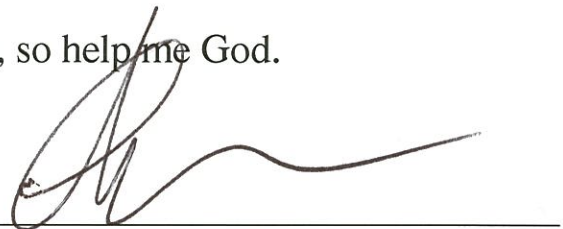


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OATH OF OFFICE

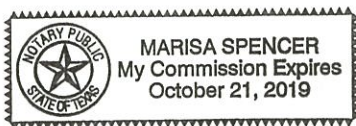
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF
THE STATE OF TEXAS

I, Larry Thompson, do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Mayor of the City of Garden Ridge, State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

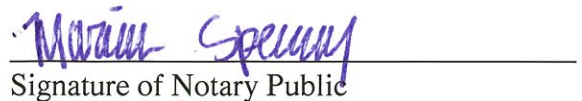


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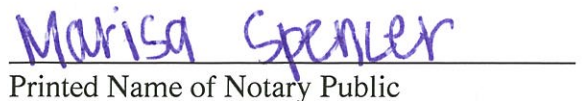
Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 14th day of May, 2019.



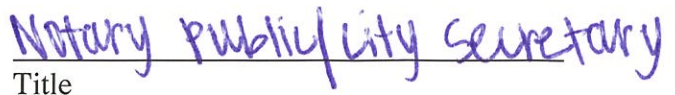
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Signature of Notary Public



Printed Name of Notary Public



Title



In the name and by the authority of the

STATE OF TEXAS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a General Election held on

May 4, 2019

Lisa Swint

was duly elected

ALDERMAN, PLACE TWO

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, this the 14th day of May, 2019.



Larry Thompson, Mayor
Presiding Officer of Canvassing Authority

STATEMENT OF OFFICER

Statement

I, Lisa Swint, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

Title of Position to Which Elected/Appointed: Alderman, Place Two

City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

Execution

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated therein are true.



Signature of Officer

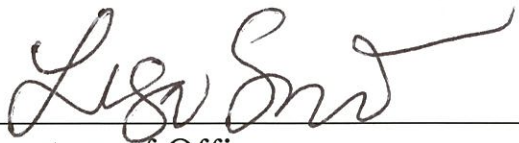
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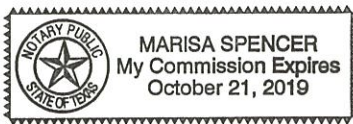
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF
THE STATE OF TEXAS

I, Lisa Swint, do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Alderman Place Two of the City of Garden Ridge, State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

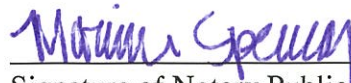


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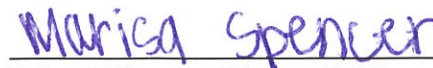
Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 14th day of May, 2019.



(Notary Seal)



Signature of Notary Public



Printed Name of Notary Public



Title



In the name and by the authority of the

STATE OF TEXAS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a General Election held on

May 4, 2019

Bryan Lantzy

was duly elected

ALDERMAN, PLACE THREE

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, this the 14th day of May, 2019.



Larry Thompson, Mayor
Presiding Officer of Canvassing Authority

STATEMENT OF OFFICER

Statement

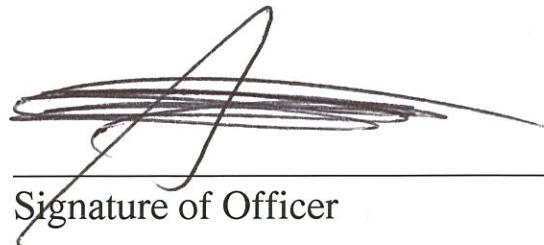
I, Bryan Lantzy, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

Title of Position to Which Elected/Appointed: Alderman, Place Three

City of Garden Ridge, Texas.

Execution

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated therein are true.



Signature of Officer

5/14/19

Date

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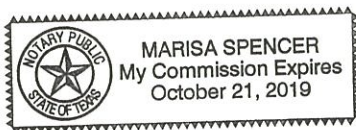
IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF
THE STATE OF TEXAS

I, Bryan Lantzy, do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of Alderman Place Three of the City of Garden Ridge, State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

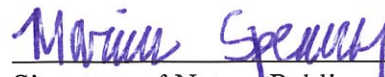


Signature of Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 14th day of May, 2019.



(Notary Seal)



Signature of Notary Public



Printed Name of Notary Public



Title