



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

City of Texarkana, Arkansas

216 Walnut Street

Agenda - Monday, October 18, 2021 - 6:00 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Director Barbara Miner.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

A limit of five (5) minutes per person is allotted for citizens to express their concerns to the Board of Directors, with a maximum of fifty (50) minutes reserved for Citizens Communication. The Board of Directors cannot respond to citizens' concerns during this time.

Be respectful of the Board of Directors, city staff, and the public by refraining from abusive conduct, personal charges, or verbal attacks.

PROCLAMATION(S)

1. Proclamation declaring October 17-23, 2021, as Texarkana, Arkansas Black Restaurant Week. (BOD) (This item added to the agenda at the request of Director Laney Harris.)
2. Proclamation declaring October 18-23, 2021, as Chamber of Commerce Week. (Admin)
3. Proclamation declaring October 24-30, 2021, as Pro Bono Week. (Admin)
4. Proclamation declaring November 2021, as Business Appreciation Month. (BOD) (This item added at the request of Director Harris.)
5. Proclamations given by Ward 4 Director Ulysses Brewer recognizing Greg Gallagher, Sarah Meredith and Tony Nix for their volunteerism and community service. (BOD) (This item added to the agenda at the request of Director Ulysses Brewer.)

PRESENTATION(S)

6. Texarkana Water Utilities (TWU) Budget Presentation given by Interim Executive Director Gary Smith and TWU Finance Director Tricia Briggs. (TWU)
7. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Presentation given by Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson. (FIN)

CONSENT

8. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting October 4, 2021. (CCD)
9. Adopt a Resolution approving the Texarkana Water Utilities (TWU) FY 2021-2022 Budget. (TWU) Interim Executive Director, Gary Smith and TWU Finance Director, Tricia Briggs.

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10. Adopt a Resolution approving the American Rescue Plan Act Budget. (FIN) Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson
11. Adopt a Resolution approving premium pay and designating essential employees. (FIN) Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson
12. Adopt a Resolution to amend the General Fund Budget and Public Works Budget for the inclusion of a retroactive Premium Pay. (FIN) Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson
13. Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the purchase of Simtek Modular training structure. (TAPD) Capt. James Atchley

An emergency clause is requested. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the Board.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTARY

CITY MANAGER REPORT

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, November 1, 2021

ADJOURN

2021 City Calendar

Universal Vibe - Saturday, October 23, 2021

City Clean-Up Day - Saturday, October 23, 2021

Crossties Fall Festival/Trick or Treating - Saturday, October 30, 2021

Hopkins Icehouse Street Party - Saturday, October 30, 2021

Election Day - Tuesday, November 2, 2021

Economic Development Committee Meeting - 4PM, Thursday, November 4, 2021

Solid Waste Committee Meeting - 5PM, Thursday, November 4, 2021

Veteran's Day - City Holiday - Thursday, November 11, 2021

Thanksgiving - City Holiday - Thursday & Friday, November 25-26, 2021

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Sunday, December 12, 2021

Christmas - City Holiday - Thursday & Friday, December 23-24, 2021

New Year's Eve - City Holiday - Friday, December 31, 2021