MINUTES OF

CITY OF WHARTON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JULY 08, 2024

Mayor, Tim Barker declared a Regular Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 7:04 P.M. at City Hall 120 E. Caney Street Wharton, TX. Councilmember, Burnell Neal, led the opening devotion, and Mayor, Tim Barker led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmembers present were:

Mayor, Tim Barker, and Councilmembers, Terry Freese;

Burnell Neal: Steve Schneider, and David Voulgaris.

Councilmembers absent were:

Larry Pittman and Russell Machann.

Staff members present were:

City Manager, Joseph R. Pace; Assistant City Attorney, Amy Rod; Finance Director, Joan Andel; Assistant City Manager, Paula Favors, TRMC, CPM, MMC, IPMA-CP; Assistant to the City Manager, Brandi Jimenez; Director of Planning and Development, Gwyn Teves; Emergency Management Coordinator, Lt. Ben Guanajuato; Fire Chief, Hector Hernandez; Public Works Director, Roderick Semien; Building Official, Claudia Velasquez and EMS

Director, Christy Gonzales.

Visitors present were:

None.

Roll Call and Excused Absences.

After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to excuse Councilmember, Larry Pittman and Councilmember, Russell Machann. Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Public Comments.

Mayor, Tim Barker, called for Public Comments. No comments were given.

Wharton Moment.

Mayor, Tim Barker, called for Wharton Moments.

1. City Manager, Joseph R. Pace, stated he was thankful the City made it through Hurricane Beryl with minimal damage as a whole but some homes did have major damage such as a tree falling on them.

Review and Consider:

The first item on the agenda was to review and consider the reading of the minutes from the regular meetings held June 10, 2024, and June 24, 2024, and special meeting held June 17, 2024. After some discussion, Councilmember, Steve Schneider, moved to approve the minutes from the

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regular meetings held June 10, 2024, and June 24, 2024, and special meeting held June 17, 2024. Councilmember, Terry Freese, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The second item on the agenda was to review and consider a request from Ms. Thelma Hayes to address the City Council regarding damage to her driveway. Councilmember, Burnell Neal, stated Ms. Hayes had some damage from Hurricane Beryl and was not able to attend. Councilmember Neal stated that the roadway in front of Ms. Hayes' driveway needed some repair and needed to be filled in. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The third item on the agenda was to review and consider a request from Mr. Danny Moses, Manager of Moses Gin, for a permit for a camper/trailer placement at 407 Hamilton Street and between 209 N. Cloud Street and the adjoining lot at 600 W. Caney Street from mid-July 2024 to December 31, 2024. Mr. Moses was not present at the meeting. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The fourth item on the agenda was to review and consider a request from Mr. David Bowlin on behalf of A2J Holdings, LLC.,500 Abell St., Rust 3, Block 7, Lot Odd, for a front-building line setback variance on Alabama St., Speed St., and Center St. to allow for adequate detention area and to preserve existing trees. Director of Planning and Development, Gwyn Teves, stated the request was presented to the Planning Commission and it was their recommendation that the City Council consider approving it. After some discussion, Councilmember, Burnell Neal, moved to approve the request from Mr. David Bowlin on behalf of A2J Holdings, LLC.,500 Abell St., Rust 3, Block 7, Lot Odd, for a front building line setback variance on Alabama St., Speed St., and Center St. to allow for adequate detention area and to preserve existing trees. Councilmember, David Voulgaris, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The fifth item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the abandonment of the waterline at 1014 North Richmond Road. Director of Planning and Development, Gwyn Teves, stated the City Staff had been working with Mr. Wittig on the replat of his business, 3rd Street Storage. Mrs. Teves said it had been discovered that a water line and a sanitary sewer line crossed his property without easements. She said Mr. Wittig had requested the City abandon the waterline and he would provide the City with the 10' sanitary sewer line easement to keep the sanitary sewer line in place. Public Works Superintendent, Daniel Chapa, had verified that the water line no longer served any facilities and could be abandoned. Mrs. Teves stated Mr. Wittig was informed that the line would be terminated if the Council approved it and that any future service would need to be connected from Richmond Road and could be costly. She said it was the City Staff's recommendation that the Council abandon the water line, and the acceptance of the sanitary sewer easement would be brought to the Council for approval at a future meeting via replat. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve the abandonment of the waterline at 1014 North Richmond Road. Councilmember, Steves Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The sixth item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the purchase of air conditioning units for the Fire Department and authorizing the City Manager of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said purchase. Fire Chief,

Hector Hernandez, presented a copy of his memo regarding the purchase of air conditioning units for the Fire Department. Chief Hernandez stated the quotes were received and they were as follows: Roberson AC- \$ 27,571.00; Hunter AC- \$39,750.00/ 44,570.00, and Eldridge AC- \$ 43,676.36/ 49,510.78. He said the City Staff were recommending Roberson AC to complete the work. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-62, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AIR CONDITIONING UNITS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WHARTON TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID PURCHASE.

- **WHEREAS,** Quotes were received for the purchase of air conditioning units for the Fire Department; and,
- **WHEREAS,** Roberson AC was deemed the best lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$27,571.00; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to approve Roberson AC for the purchase of air conditioning units for the Fire Department in the amount of \$27,571.00; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the City Manager of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS as follows:

- **SECTION I.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to purchase air conditioning units for the Fire Department from Roberson AC in the amount of \$27,571.00.
- **SECTION II.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute all documents related to the purchase of the vehicle.
- **SECTION III.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Passed, Approved, and Adopted this 8th day of July 2024.

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	By:	
	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
PAULA FAVORS		
City Secretary		

Councilmember, David Voulgaris, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The seventh item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the purchase of body cameras for the Police Department and authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents related to said purchase. Police Chief, Terry David Lynch, presented a copy of his memo regarding the purchase of body cameras for the Wharton Police Department. Chief Lynch stated the current WatchGuard Body Cameras were reaching the end of their life, so the City Staff has begun exploring options due to recurring issues. He said the current model that was used was purchased in 2015 and the City Staff wished to contract with Verizon for the HALO BodyWorn Camera. After some discussion, Councilmember, Burnell Neal. Moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-63, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-63

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BODY CAMERAS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID PURCHASE.

- **WHEREAS,** The Police Department is requesting that the City Council approve the purchase of body cameras through Verizon; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The total amount of said purchase is for twenty (20) units for \$25,200.00 annually; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the City Manager to purchase body cameras for the Police Department.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS:

- **SECTION I.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the purchase of body cameras in the amount of \$25,200.00 annually.
- **SECTION II.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the purchase of body cameras through Verizon.
- **SECTION III.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

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	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
PAULA FAVORS		
City Secretary		

Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The eighth item on the agenda was to review and consider the Debris Removal Services and Debris Monitoring Services:

- A. Resolution: A resolution of the Wharton City Council establishing a Consultant Selection Committee and developing evaluation criteria for the selection of a debris removal and disposal firm to be used in the event of a major disaster.
- B. Resolution: A resolution of the Wharton City Council establishing a Consultant Selection Committee and developing evaluation criteria for the selection of a debris monitoring firm to be used in the event of a major disaster.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Lt. Ben Guanajuato, stated the contracts for Debris Removal and Debris Monitoring Services would expire within the month, requiring new services to be procured. Lt. Guanajuato said the City Staff recommended that Consultant Selection Committees be created, and advertisements be posted for the procurement of Debris Removal and Debris Monitoring Services for the City of Wharton as the 2024 Hurricane Season begun. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-64 and 2024-65, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING A CONSULTANT SELECTION COMMITTEE AND DEVELOPING EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF A DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL FIRM TO BE USED IN THE EVENT OF A MAJOR DISASTER.

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- WHEREAS, The Wharton City Council wishes to establish a Consultant Selection Committee for the selection of a debris removal and disposal firm to be used in the event of a major disaster and provide recommendations to the City Council; and,
- WHEREAS, The Wharton City Council wishes the Consultant Selection Committee to consist of the Emergency Management Coordinator, the Public Works Director, the City Manager, and the Finance Director; and,
- WHEREAS, The Wharton City Council wishes for this Committee to exist until a recommendation is presented to the City Council; and,
- WHEREAS. The Wharton City Council wishes to establish the criteria for the selection of the consulting firm as per Attachment A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS as follows:

- Section I. That the Wharton City Council hereby establishes a Consultant Selection Committee.
- Section II. That the Consultant Selection Committee will consist of the Emergency Management Coordinator, the Public Works Director, the City Manager, and the Finance Director.
- Section III. That the criteria as set forth in Attachment A is hereby approved.
- Section IV. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Passed, Approved, and Adopted this 8th day of July 2024.

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,	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	

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	TIM BARKER Mayor	
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City Secretary		

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A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING A CONSULTANT SELECTION COMMITTEE AND DEVELOPING EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF A DEBRIS MONITORING FIRM TO BE USED IN THE EVENT OF A MAJOR DISASTER.

- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to establish a Consultant Selection Committee for the selection of a debris monitoring firm to be used in the event of a major disaster and to provide recommendations to the City Council; and,
- WHEREAS, The Wharton City Council wishes the Consultant Selection Committee to consist of the Emergency Management Coordinator, the Public Works Director, the City Manager, and the Finance Director; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes for this Committee to exist until a recommendation is presented to the City Council; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to establish the criteria for the selection of the consulting firm as per Attachment A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS as follows:

- **Section I.** That the Wharton City Council hereby establishes a Consultant Selection Committee.
- **Section II.** That the Consultant Selection Committee will consist of the Emergency Management Coordinator, the Public Works Director, the City Manager, and the Finance Director.
- **Section III.** That the criteria as set forth in Attachment A is hereby approved.
- **Section IV.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Passed, Approved, and Adopted	this 8th day of July 2024.
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ATTEST:	

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PAULA FAVORS

City Secretary

Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The ninth item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the purchase of two (2) vehicles for the City of Wharton Emergency Medical Services Department and authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents related to said purchase. EMS Director, Christy Gonzales, presented a copy of her memo regarding the purchase of two (2) vehicles for the Emergency Management Services Department. Mrs. Gonzales stated three (3) quotes were received, and they were as follows: 1. Destination Ford-\$98,988.44. 2. Wharton Chevrolet GMC-\$101,006.06. 3. Don Davis-\$89,871.58. She said it was the City Staff's recommendation to purchase two (2) 2024 Ford F-150s from Destination Ford and recommended the vehicles due to them being a 4X4 SuperCrew with a 2.7L, V6 EcoBoost that had the needed space for equipment storage, and the EcoBoost would provide better fuel efficiency. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-66, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) VEHICLES FOR THE CITY OF WHARTON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID PURCHASE.

- **WHEREAS,** Quotes were received for the purchase of two (2) vehicles for the Emergency Medical Services Department; and,
- **WHEREAS,** Destination Ford was deemed the best lowest qualified bidder in the amount of \$98,988.44; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to approve Destination Ford for the purchase of two (2) vehicles for the Emergency Medical Services Department in the amount of \$98,988.44; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the City Manager of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said purchase.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS:

SECTION I. The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to purchase two (2) vehicles for the Emergency Medical Services Department from Destination Ford in the amount of \$98,988.44.

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SECTION II. The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute all documents related to the purchase of the vehicles.

SECTION III. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

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	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
PAULA FAVORS		
City Secretary		

Councilmember, David Voulgaris, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The tenth item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the purchase of a 2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard for the Public Works Department and authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents related to said purchase. Public Works Director, Roderick Semien, presented a copy of his memo regarding the purchase of a 2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard in the amount of \$12,023.00. Mr. Semien requested the City Council consider approving the purchase. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-67, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-67

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2024 GRAVELY PRO-300 ZERO-TURN MOWER FROM SCHMIDT IMPLEMENT THROUGH BUYBOARD FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID PURCHASE.

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department is requesting that the City Council approve the purchase of a 2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard; and,

WHEREAS, The total amount of said purchase is \$12,023.00; and,

WHEREAS, The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the City Manager to purchase of a

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2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS:

- **SECTION I.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the purchase of a 2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard in the amount of \$12,023.00.
- **SECTION II.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to execute the purchase of a 2024 Gravely Pro-300 Zero-Turn Mower from Schmidt Implement through BuyBoard.

SECTION III. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of July 2024.

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	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
PAULA FAVORS		
City Secretary		

Councilmember, Burnell Neal, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The eleventh item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council approving the purchase and installation of Michelin Mobility Intelligence Road Assessment Program Software for the City of Wharton and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said purchase and installation. Public Works Director, Roderick Semien, presented a presentation and price of the subscription to the Michelin Mobility Intelligence Road Assessment Program. Mr. Semien stated the program was one of its kind and would allow City Staff to perform its own road assessment within the department. Public Works Director Semien stated the data received from this program would be the first phase in the management and strategic planning of the Department of Public Works Street Program. He said the breakdown of cost was as follows: Pavement Assessment \$4,650 and Annual Subscription \$1,550 for a total of \$6,200. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-68, which read as follows:

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CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-68

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF MICHELIN MOBILITY INTELLIGENCE ROAD ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SOFTWARE FOR THE CITY OF WHARTON AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WHARTON TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION.

- WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City of Wharton to purchase and install Michelin Mobility Intelligence Road Assessment Program Software; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to approve funding in the amount of \$6,200.00 to be used to purchase and install said software; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute any and all documents related to said software's purchase and installation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS as follows:

- **Section I.** That the Wharton City Council hereby approves the purchase in the amount of \$6,200.00 to purchase and install the software.
- **Section II.** That the Mayor of the City of Wharton is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents related to said software's purchase and installation.
- **Section III.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Passed, Approved, and Adopted this 8th day of July 2024.

CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS

	By:
	TIM BARKER
	Mayor
ATTEST:	
PAULA FAVORS	
City Secretary	

Councilmember, David Voulgaris, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The twelfth item on the agenda was to review and consider a resolution of the Wharton City Council approving the repair of rotary screens and tank at Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said repairs. Public Works Director, Roderick Semien, presented a copy of the cost of repairs and a presentation on damage to the rotary screen and tank at Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2. Mr. Semien stated the rotary screens and tank were beyond their service life and due to the corrosive nature of wastewater, the concrete structure the screen rests on was eroding. He said this could potentially become a violation with TCEQ and without intervention, the drum screen structure would collapse into itself. Public Works Director Semien stated the City Staff was recommending repairs to be completed by Branch Construction, who were a member of TiPS. He said the funding for repairs would be covered by ARPA and the total amount of the repairs was \$665,946.00. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve City of Wharton Resolution No. 2024-69, which read as follows:

CITY OF WHARTON RESOLUTION NO. 2024-69

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHARTON CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE REPAIR OF ROTARY SCREENS AND TANK AT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT NO. 2 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WHARTON TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO SAID REPAIRS.

- **WHEREAS,** Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 is in need of repairs on the rotary screens and tank; and,
- WHEREAS, Branch Construction is a member of TiPS Purchasing Cooperative Program; and,
- WHEREAS, Said repairs will be covered by ARPA Funds; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to approve said repairs at Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 with Branch Construction, in the amount of \$665,946.00; and,
- **WHEREAS,** The Wharton City Council wishes to authorize the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said repairs.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS:

- **SECTION I.** The Wharton City Council hereby approves said repair at Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 2 with Branch Construction in the amount of \$665,946.00.
- **SECTION II.** The Wharton City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to the repairs at Wastewater Treatment Plant No 2.
- **SECTION III.** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

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	TIM BARKER	
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
PAULA FAVORS		
City Secretary		

Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The thirteenth item on the agenda was to review and consider Pay Request No. 2 from Reddico Construction Company for the U.S. 59 Water and Wastewater Utility Relocations. Director of Planning & Development, Gwyn Teves, presented a copy of Pay Request No. 2 from Reddico Construction Company for the U.S. 59 Water and Wastewater Utility Relocations in the amount of \$1,529,739.27. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve Pay Request No. 2 from Reddico Construction Company for the U.S. 59 Water and Wastewater Utility Relocations in the amount of \$1,529,739.27. Councilmember, David Voulgaris, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The fourteenth item on the agenda was to review and consider Pay Request No. 1 from Capital Underground Utilities for the Titus Express Carwash Waterline Extension. Director of Planning & Development, Gwyn Teves, presented a copy of Pay Request No. 1 from Capital Underground Utilities for the Titus Express Carwash Waterline Extension in the amount of \$96,084.00. Councilmember, Steve Schneider, moved to approve Pay Request No. 1 from Capital Underground Utilities for the Titus Express Carwash Waterline Extension in the amount of \$96,084.00. Councilmember, Terry Freese, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The fifteenth item on the agenda was to review and consider Pay Request No. 1 from Alsay Incorporated for the Valhalla Water Well Rehabilitation 2023. Director of Planning & Development, Gwyn Teves, presented a copy of Pay Request No. 1 from Alsay Incorporated for the Valhalla Water Well Rehabilitation 2023 in the amount of \$60,980.50. After some discussion, Councilmember, Terry Freese, moved to approve Pay Request No. 1 from Alsay Incorporated for the Valhalla Water Well Rehabilitation 2023 in the amount of \$60,980.50. Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The sixteenth item on the agenda was to review and consider appointments, resignations, and vacancies to the City of Wharton Boards, Commissions, and Committees:

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- A. Resignations.
- B. Appointments.
- C. Vacancies.

After some discussion, no action was taken.

Executive Session

1. City Council may adjourn into an Executive Session in accordance with Sections 551.071 of the Local Government Code, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas. Final action, decision, or vote, if any with regard to any matter considered in Executive Session shall be made in Open Meeting.

Discussion:

A. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation.

Mayor, Tim Barker, moved the meeting into Closed Session at 7:36 p.m.

Return to Open Session

- 1. Action on items discussed in Executive Session:
 - A. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation.

Mayor, Tim Barked, moved the meeting to Open Session at 7:45 p.m. Mayor Barker stated information only was received.

There being no further discussion, Councilmember, David Voulgaris, moved to adjourn. Councilmember, Steve Schneider, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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TIM BARKER

Mayor

PAULA FAVORS

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