

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
City Hall, 120 East Caney Street, Wharton, Texas
Monday, July 8, 2019 5:30 p.m.**

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. declared a meeting of the City Council Public Works Committee duly open for the transaction of business at 5:40 p.m.

Committee Members present: Councilmember Don Mueller and Councilmember Terry Freese.

Committee Member absent: Councilmember Clifford Jackson

Staff Members present: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joan Anandel, Assistant to the City Manager Brandi Jimenez, Community Development Coordinator Gwyneth Teves and Public Works Director John Plaia.

Staff Members absent: None.

Visitors present: Mr. Matt Breazeale-Jones & Carter and Mr. Albert Villegas.

The first item on the agenda was public comments. There were no public comments.

The second item on the agenda was to review and consider minutes from the meeting held May 28, 2019. Councilmember Don Mueller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Terry Freese seconded. All voted in favor.

The third item on the agenda was to review and consider Improvements on the Alabama Channel Project. Mr. Matt Breazeale of Jones & Carter presented to the Committee the improvements needed to the Alabama Channel after the June 5, 2019 Flood Event. He stated that during the event the channel experienced high velocities. He stated that there was some damage but the channel held up very well. He stated that the company who previously did work on the channel had agreed to repair the damages at no cost under the warranty period. However, he stated that Jones & Carter is in the process of reviewing the changes, he was recommending the installation of water diffusers to slow the velocity of the water going through the structure and prevent the same type of damage. He said he was in the process of getting a cost estimate for the improvements. After some discussion, Councilmember Terry Freese made a motion to recommend to the City Council to approve a contract with Fort Bend Excavation for the improvements to the Channel not to exceed \$10,000.00. Councilmember Don Mueller seconded. All voted in favor.

The fourth item on the agenda was to review and consider Repairs to the Santa Fe Drainage Outfall. Mr. Matt Breazeale of Jones & Carter presented to the Committee the repairs that are needed to the Santa Fe Drainage Outfall. He stated the estimated cost to bring the

Outfall to the condition it was in the year 2014 would be around \$400,000.00 and the cost to total repair the Outfall would be \$800,000.00. City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated to the Committee that the City Staff would reach out to FEMA for the status of the funding for the project. After some discussion, no action was taken.

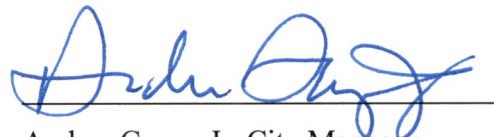
The fifth item on the agenda was to review and consider Update on City Projects from Jones & Carter:

1. Cloud Street Water Well Repair Project.
2. FM 102 Outfall.
3. City of Wharton Water Well Project.

Mr. Matt Breazeale stated to the Committee that the liner for the Cloud Street Water Well was installed and the estimated completion date could be as early as July. He stated to the Committee that the surveying for the FM 102 Outfall was complete. He stated that Jones & Carter had completed the review of the City of Wharton Water Well Project. He stated that there were a lot of comments. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The sixth item on the agenda was to review and consider Update on the 2019 Street Improvement Project. City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated the he had talked to Mr. Bradley Loehr of BEFCO Engineering and it was his recommendation to re-bid the FEMA Streets in August. He stated that the City Staff would reach out to FEMA for an extension on the project for the FEMA streets. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The eighth item on the agenda was adjournment. Councilmember Don Mueller moved to adjourn. Councilmember Terry Freese seconded. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.



Andres Garza, Jr. City Manager