



**CITY OF WHARTON
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MEETING**

**Wednesday, June 12, 2024
4:30 PM**

120 E. CANEY, WHARTON, TX 77488

**NOTICE OF
CITY OF WHARTON
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a Beautification Commission Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 4:30 PM at the Wharton City Hall, 120 East Caney Street, Wharton, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit:

SEE ATTACHED AGENDA

Dated this 6th day of June 2024.


By: /s/Adraylle Watson
Adraylle Watson, Chairperson

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Beautification Commission Meeting is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board, at City Hall of said City in Wharton, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted on June 6, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

The Wharton City Hall is wheelchair accessible. Access to the building and special parking is available at the primary entrance. Persons with disabilities, who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print, are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office at (979) 532-4811 Ext. 225 or by FAX (979) 532-0181 at least two (2) days prior to the meeting date. BRAILLE IS NOT AVAILABLE.

Dated this 6th day of June 2024.

CITY OF WHARTON

By: 
Paula Favors
City Secretary



A G E N D A
CITY OF WHARTON
Beautification Commission Meeting
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
City Hall - 4:30 PM

Call to Order.

Roll Call.

Public Comments

Review & Consider:

1. Minutes from the meeting held May 8, 2024.
2. Financial Report for the month of June 2024.
3. Certificates of Recognition.
4. Subcommittee Reports:
 - A. Advocacy
 - B. Art
 - C. Community
 - D. Education
 - E. Garden
 - F. Trash/Recycling

Adjournment.

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BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

Meeting Date:	6/12/2024	Agenda Item:	Minutes from the meeting held May 8, 2024.
Attached is a copy of the draft minutes from the meeting held on May 8, 2024.			
Building Official: Claudia Velasquez		Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024	
Approval: /s/ Adraylle Watson			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

**MINUTES OF
CITY OF WHARTON
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

Vice-Chairperson, Rachel Roberson declared a meeting of the Beautification Commission duly open for the transaction of business at 4:37 p.m.

Commissioners present were: Rachel Roberson, Debbie Folks, Nancy Mata, and Sheryl Joost

Commissioners absent were: Adraylle Watson

Staff members present were: Nathan Vogt, Code Enforcement
Claudia Velasquez, Building Official
Paula Favors, City Secretary
Joan Andel, Finance Director

Visitors: Kaye McKlaine

Roll Call and Excused Absences. After some discussion, Commissioner Nancy Mata moved to excuse Commissioner Adraylle Watson. Commissioner Debbie Folks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Public Comments. There were no Public Comments.

The first item on the agenda was to review & consider reading the minutes for the regular called meeting held on April 10, 2024. Commissioner Debbie Folks made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Nancy Mata seconded the motion. All in favor.

The second item on the agenda was to review and consider the Financial Report. The Commission reviewed the YTD 2023-2024 Budget. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The third item on the agenda was to review and consider Certificate of Recognition. Business/residence nominations for consideration of a Certificate of Recognition:

1. Business- Ace/ Wharton Feed, Holiday Inn Express, The Vintage Butterfly. After some discussion, Commissioner Sheryl Joost made a motion to recommend Holiday Inn Express to receive the business Certificate of Recognition. Commissioner Nancy Mata seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
2. Residence – 516 Circle Drive, 805 Lilly Ave. After some discussion, Commissioner Sheryl Joost made a motion to recommend 805 Lily Ln. to residence Certificate of Recognition. Commissioner Debbie Folks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The fourth item on the agenda was to review and consider EnterTextHere.

A. Advocacy (Debbie Folks)

1. Dog Park

a. Grand Opening: May 8th, 6:00 p.m. After some discussion, no action was taken.

b. Approve giving away the gray shirts to the first ten to fifteen people as well as the remaining three flashlights. After some discussion, Commissioner Nancy Mata made a motion to give away the gray shirts and flashlights to the

first ten people who came to the Grand Opening. Commissioner Debbie Folks seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

1. Crosswalk (Debbie Folks): After some discussion, no action was taken.

C. Community (Adraylle Watson):

1. Grant giving for projects & community requests for supplies/volunteers:

a. Hessed House grant for paint supplies for a mural. The Commission discussed this item but canceled the item due to the Texas Constitution, art. III, section 52, and art. XI, section 3. After some discussion, no action was taken.

2. Event/Merchandise booths: After some discussion, no action was taken.

D. Education (Adraylle Watson/Rachel Roberson):

1. Social media campaigns- Recycle Tip Tuesday, Ordinances, Social Media numbers were up in the month of April with a 189% reach and 250% views due to the Santa Fe Project and Spring Sweep. After some discussion, no action was taken.

E. Garden (Rachel Roberson)

1. Planter Adoption Program: Commissioner Rachel Roberson stated to the Commission that the Planter Adoption Program was going well. She stated that there was still a need for an adopter for the Airport flower beds. She stated that the welcome sign by Tiger Stadium was missing the adopter's sign and that she would reach out to the adopters. After some discussion, no action was taken.

2. Santa Fe Planters: Commissioner Rachel Roberson stated that to the Commission that this project was completed. After some discussion, no action was taken.

3. Wild Flowers- Commissioner Rachel Roberson stated to the Commission that the season was over, and the signs had been removed. She stated that the wildflowers could be mowed. After some discussion, no action was taken.

F. Trash/Recycling (Adraylle Watson)

1. Spring Sweep. The City Liaison stated to the Commission that 96 tires were collected and 33 cu yards, which is 8.9 tons of trash, were collected. Commissioner Nancy Mata stated that the Commission wished to find new ways to communicate information regarding the Spring Sweep in the future. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The fifth item on the agenda was adjournment. Commissioner Nancy Mata made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Commissioner Sheryl Joost seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Adraylle Watson, Chairperson

Nancy Mata, Secretary

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Meeting Date:	6/12/2024	Agenda Item:	Financial Report for the month of June 2024.
Attached you will find a copy of the Financial Report for the month of June 2024.			
Building Official: Claudia Velasquez			Date: Thursday, June 6, 2024
Approval: /s/ Adraylle Watson			
Chairperson: Adraylle Watson			

Wharton Beautification
Financial Statement as of June 5, 2024
Fiscal Year 2023-24

Item-2.

City Allocated Revenue:		\$3,500.00
Outside Donations:		
(Not project specific)		
Expenses:		
10/19/23	The Home Depot (Library Rock Garden)	\$283.56
11/09/23	Walmart (padlocks for dog park)	\$25.68
01/19/24	Sherwin-Williams Depot Post paint	\$29.15
3/7/24	Keep Texas Beautiful Membership	\$200.00
04/02/24	The Home Depot (Library Rock Garden)	-\$59.85
04/12/24	H-E-B (water for Santa Fe project	\$9.54
04/12/24	Alamo Lumber (materials for S.F. Project)	\$37.85
4/19/2024	H-E-B (snacks for Spring Sweep)	\$34.43
04/23/24	Aqua-zyme	\$183.00
Total Expenses:		\$743.36
Remaining Budget:		\$2,756.64

Dog Park Revenue		
	BACODA Donation	\$62,000.00
	Fundraising/Donations FY 20-21	\$440.00
	Fundraising/Donations FY 21-22	\$1,223.00
	Fundraising/Donations FY 22-23	\$2,327.00
	Fundraising/Donations FY 23-24	
1/4/2024	Kraftsman- Dog Park Equipment	\$60,186.31
2/20/2024	Closed for Maintenance sign	\$13.99
3/21/2024	Dog Park Signs and Instal	\$631.46
4/5/2024	Seaman's Plumbing (Dog Fountains)	\$4,512.42
Total Donations:		\$65,990.00
Total Expenses:		\$65,344.18
Remaining Available Funds:		\$645.82

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Meeting Date:	6/12/2024	Agenda Item:	Certificates of Recognition.
<p>Below is a list of business and residence nominations for Certificates of Recognition, with photos attached.</p> <div><div>1. Businesses –<div><div>a. Ace/Wharton Feed, located at 3030 N Richmond Rd. – nominated by Commissioner Debbie Folks.</div><div>b. The Vintage Butterfly, located at 108 N Houston St. – nominated by Commissioner Rachel Roberson.</div><div>c. New Hope Community Church, located at 226 N Fulton St.- nominated by Building Official Claudia Velasquez.</div></div></div><div>2. Residence –<div><div>a. 516 Circle Dr. – nominated by Commissioner Debbie Folks.</div></div></div></div>			
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Business Certificate of Recognition Nominations.

a. Ace/Wharton
Feed,
located at 3030
N Richmond
Rd.



b. The Vintage
Butterfly,
located at 108 N
Houston St.



c. New Hope
Community
Church, located
at 226 N Fulton
St.



Residences Certificate of Recognition Nominations.

a. 516 Circle Dr.



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