



**CITY OF WHARTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Monday, February 24, 2020
12:00 PM**


CITY HALL

**NOTICE OF
CITY OF WHARTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Works Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 12:00 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 20th day of February 2020.


By: 
Andres Garza, Jr., City Manager

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Public Works Committee 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 or Town in Wharton, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted on February 20, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

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Dated this 20th day of February 2020.

CITY OF WHARTON

By: 
Paula Favors
City Secretary



A G E N D A
CITY OF WHARTON
Public Works Committee Meeting
Monday, February 24, 2020
City Hall - 12:00 PM

Call to Order.

Roll Call.

Public Comments.

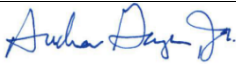
Review & Consider:

1. Minutes from the meeting held January 13, 2020.
2. American Planning Association (APA) Report.
3. City of Wharton 2020 Street Improvement Project.

Adjournment.

City of Wharton
120 E. Caney Street
Wharton, TX 77488

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Meeting Date:	2/24/2020	Agenda Item:	Minutes from the meeting held January 13, 2020.
Attached are the draft minutes from the meeting held January 13, 2020.			
City Manager: Andres Garza, Jr.		Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020	
Approval: 			
Mayor: Tim Barker			

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
City Hall, 120 East Caney Street, Wharton, Texas
Monday, January 13, 2020 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 5:45 p.m.

Committee Members present: Councilmember Don Mueller, Councilmember Clifford Jackson and Councilmember Terry Freese.

Committee Member absent: None.

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

Staff Members absent: None.

Visitors present: None.

Public comments. There were no public comments.

The first item on the agenda was to review and consider minutes from the meetings held November 4, 2019. Councilmember Don Mueller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember Clifford Jackson seconded. All voted in favor.

The second item on the agenda was to review and consider Resolution: A resolution of the Wharton City Council authorizing the submission of a letter to Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) requesting improvements to State Highway 60 and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute all documents related to said submission. City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated to the Committee that he had received a memo from Chief Terry Lynch regarding the Texas Department of Transportation's resurfacing project for State Highway 60 starting in the Spring of 2020. He stated that the recommend changes were as followed:

1. Re-striping of State Highway 60 (Milam Street), westbound from North Resident Street to Business 59 (Richmond Road) to a one-way single-marked lane.
2. Eliminate the corner parking spaces at the following intersections:
 - A. State Highway 60 (Milam Street) at Houston Street.
 - B. State Highway 60 (Milam Street) at Polk Street.
 - C. Alley way entrance (200 West Milam Street) State Highway 60.
3. Protected arrows at State Highway 60 (Milam Street) and FM 1299 (North Alabama Road) for Northbound and Southbound traffic.

4. Increase the pause between red and green Indicators on the traffic control devices at the following intersections:

- A. FM 1301 (West Boling Highway) at Business 59 (North Richmond Road).
- B. FM 1301 (West Boling Highway) at North Fulton Street.
- C. FM1301 (East Boling Highway) at North Alabama Road.
- D. Business 59 (North Richmond Road) at FM 102.
- E. Business 59 (North Richmond Road) at State Highway 60 (West Burseson Street).
- F. State Highway 60 (Milam Street) at FM 1299 (North Alabama Road).

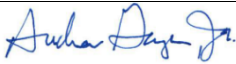
After some discussion, Councilmember Mueller made a motion to recommend to the City Council the submission of a letter to the Texas Department of Transportation requesting the improvements to State Highway 60. Councilmember Terry Freese seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The third item on the agenda was adjournment. Councilmember Don Mueller moved to adjourn. Councilmember Clifford Jackson seconded. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Andres Garza, Jr. City Manager

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Meeting Date:	2/24/2020	Agenda Item:	American Planning Association (APA) Report.
<p>Attached you will find a memo to me from Councilmember Clifford Jackson regarding the American Planning Association (APA) Report.</p>			
City Manager: Andres Garza, Jr.		Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020	
Approval: 			
Mayor: Tim Barker			



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 17, 2020
FROM: Clifford Jackson, City Council, Position No. 1
TO: Andres Garza, Jr., City Manager
SUBJECT: American Planning Association (APA) Report

On 2/10/2020 there were comments made after the finance committee meeting, regarding the APA report posted on WEDCO website, which may have fostered opinions that may or may not have a credible foundation, but deserve clarification. Clarification could be made in the form a meeting/workshop with the Public Works Committee and if moved forward, with the City Council. I reached out to Chad Odom and he made contact with Joshua Owens and Chelsea Young of the Houston-Galveston Area Council who are well versed on the aforementioned report. They are available to meet with the Public Works Committee on 2/24/2020 to coincide with our committee scheduling.

I would like to formally request a meeting/workshop be placed on the 2/24/2020 agenda of the Public Works Committee and the City Council where the planners from the HGAC can come explain the benefits to adopting the APA Foundation funded RPAT- Planning document commissioned by WEDC. The plan has significant public input and gives a roadmap to help get things the community has a stated they desire that can be funded by third parties as design and work on planned infrastructure projects begin. Yes the city already has a comprehensive plan, but maybe these plans can work together.

Sincerely,

Clifford Jackson



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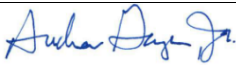
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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Meeting Date:	2/24/2020	Agenda Item:	City of Wharton 2020 Street Improvement Project.
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The City Staff has prepared the preliminary 2020 Street Improvement Project. Once the Committee has reviewed the proposed streets, adjustments can be made to the list in order for the Committee to submit to the City Council for approval.

Public Works Director John Plaia will be present to answer any questions.

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Approval: 	
Mayor: Tim Barker	