

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL  
THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2021  
6:00 PM

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Mayor Amy Ware called the Regular meeting to order in the Council Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Amy Ware, District 4

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Marvin Bonner, District 1  
Jennifer Truelove, District 3  
Amanda Abraham, District 6

Leo Morris, District 2  
Vernia Calhoun, District 5  
Micah Fenton, District 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Rohr, City Manager  
Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney  
Dawn Jones, Finance Director  
Eric Powell, Public Works Director  
Veronique Ramirez, Main Street Manager  
Jasmine Rios, Communications Coordinator  
Nikki Smith, City Secretary/Payroll Accountant  
Mallori James, Tourism & Cultural Arts Director  
Randy Pritchard, Support Services Superintendent  
Fabio Angell, Community & Economic Development Director  
Stormy Nickerson, Community & Economic Development Assistant Director

Cliff Carruth, Police Chief  
Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Councilmember Bonner

150. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Exzentrius Sturdivant, spoke regarding reinvesting in the Sunny South Neighborhood parks and community.

151. **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Items B, D and E were withdrawn.

152. **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Councilmember Bonner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

A. Consider approval of the minutes from the June 10, 2021 Regular meeting.

C. Fire Department Activity Report.

F. Monthly Financial Report.

**PRESENTATION**

153. PRESENTATION OF THE KEEP MARSHALL BEAUTIFUL BEAUTIFICATION AWARD WINNER FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2021.

Mallori James, Tourism & Cultural Arts Director, stated the City of Marshall has partnered with Keep Marshall Beautiful and the Greater Marshall Chamber of Commerce for a new program, the "Beautification Awards", to recognize residential and commercial properties in the city limits of Marshall.

Mallori James presented a certificate to the winners for the month of June; residential property at 409 Yates owned by Patrick & Cindy Owens & the commercial property 1407 E Houston, The Willow Salon & Color Bar owned by Kelli Kerby, who was unable to attend.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

154. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A PETITION OF ALL OF THE LANDOWNERS WITHIN SAID AREA TO ANNEX A 126.51 ACRE TRACT OF LAND IN THE JOSEPH FIELDS SURVEY, A-249, HARRISON COUNTY TEXAS DESCRIBED IN THAT WARRANTY DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN FROM WILLIAM L. MARTIN TO PINEY LAND I, L.L.C. DATED MARCH 18, 2021, AND FILED FOR RECORD UNDER INSTRUMENT NO. 2021-000003026, SAVE AND EXCEPT THE APPROXIMATELY TEN ACRES IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID 126.51 ACRES THAT IS ALREADY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS ACCORDING TO THE MAP OF PLAT MAINTAINED BY THE CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

This item was withdrawn.

**ORDINANCE**

155. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL ANNEXING A 126.51 ACRE TRACT OF LAND IN THE JOSEPH FIELDS SURVEY, A-249, HARRISON COUNTY TEXAS DESCRIBED IN THAT WARRANTY DEED WITH VENDOR'S LIEN FROM WILLIAM L. MARTIN TO PINEY LAND I, L.L.C. DATED MARCH 18, 2021, AND FILED FOR RECORD UNDER INSTRUMENT NO. 2021-000003026, SAVE AND EXCEPT THE APPROXIMATELY TEN ACRES IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID 126.51 ACRES THAT IS ALREADY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS ACCORDING TO THE MAP OF PLAT MAINTAINED BY THE CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE

This item was withdrawn.

**RESOLUTION**

156. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEES AND FINES FOR ANIMAL CONTROL AND THE ANIMAL ADOPTION CENTER.

Cliff Carruth, Police Chief, asked for approval of a resolution authorizing fees and fines for Animal Control and the Animal Adoption Center.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing fees and fines for Animal Control and the Animal Adoption**

**Center. Councilmember Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

**CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

157. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AWARD A BID TO PROVIDE COAGULANT FOR USE IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL'S SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PROCESS.

Eric Powell, Public Works Director, asked for approval to award a contract to provide coagulant for use in the City of Marshall's surface water treatment process to Brenntag Southwest, Inc. in the amount of \$.2557/pound. Eric stated an average of 670,000 pounds is used annually.

**Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve awarding a contract to provide coagulant for use in the City of Marshall's surface water treatment process to Brenntag Southwest, Inc. in the amount of \$.2557/pound. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

158. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, TEXAS AND PINEY LAND I, LLC PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 380 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, PROVIDING FOR THE CITY TO CONSTRUCT A ROAD TO BE CALLED MARTIN LAKE LOOP IN EXCHANGE FOR JOBS AND CERTAIN OTHER PERFORMANCE STANDARDS BY PINEY LAND I, LLC.

Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney, provided an Economic Development Agreement between the City of Marshall, Texas and Piney Land I, LLC pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Local Government Code, providing for the City to construct a road to be called Martin Lake Loop in exchange for jobs and certain other performance standards by Piney Land I, LLC. Scott highlighted changes to the contract.

**Councilmember Truelove made a motion to approve an Economic Development Agreement, as amended, between the City of Marshall, Texas and Piney Land I, LLC pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Local Government Code, providing for the City to construct a road to be called Martin Lake Loop in exchange for jobs and certain other performance standards by Piney Land I, LLC. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

159. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF \$50,000 AS AN INCENTIVE FOR PROJECT TARPON.

Rush Harris, Executive Director MEDCO, asked for approval of an expenditure in excess of \$50,000 as an incentive for Project Tarpon. He stated this project would provide 50 jobs for the community.

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve an expenditure in excess of \$50,000 as an incentive for Project Tarpon. Councilmember Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

After the vote Rush Harris revealed the name of the company, Eastern Energy Services.

160.

**CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE  
CONSENT AGENDA**

B. Public Works Activity Report.

Councilmember Bonner stated his reasons for pulling this item.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion to approve Item B of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

D. Police Department Activity Report.

Councilmember Abraham stated her reasons for pulling this item.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

**Councilmember Fenton made a motion to approve Item D of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Truelove seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

E. Community & Economic Development Activity Report.

Councilmember Abraham stated her reasons for pulling this item.

Council members asked questions and discussed.

**Councilmember Calhoun made a motion to approve Item E of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Abraham seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

161.

**AN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE UNDER SECTION 551.072 DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY: CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND DELIBERATE SALE OF PROPERTY.**

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion to convene into Executive Session. Councilmember Fenton seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0. The time was 7:18 p.m.**

**The Council reconvened from Executive Session, the time was 7:34 p.m.**

**ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF  
NECESSARY**

162.

**CONSIDER DIRECTION TO CITY STAFF REGARDING PROPERTY DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion to authorize City Staff to post for sale three properties discussed in Executive Session. Councilmember Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

163.        **ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilmember Abraham made a motion for adjournment. Councilmember Morris seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.**

**APPROVED:**



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**Mayor of the City Council  
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

**ATTEST:**



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**City Secretary**

**Resolutions: R-21-13**