



**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE LLANO CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL, 301 WEST MAIN, LLANO, TEXAS
2 P.M. THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2021**

MINUTES

This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. Notice is hereby given that a Special Called Council Meeting of the City of Llano, Texas, will be held on Thursday, August 26, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. at Llano City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 301 W. Main Street, Llano, Texas 78643, at which time the following subjects will be discussed:

- A. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 2 PM. Present: Mayor Gail Lang, Mayor Pro-Tem Kara Gilliland, Alderman Larry Sawyer, Alderwoman Kelli Tudyk, and Alderman JR Decker. Absent: Alderwoman Laura Almond.

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INVOCATION-led by Tony Guidroz

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

(Visitors shall be limited to no more than (3) three minutes to address the Council or at the discretion of the Mayor)

In accordance with Section 551.042 of the Texas Government Code, an inquiry made at a meeting shall be conducted as follows:

(a.) If at a meeting of a governmental body, a member of the public or the governmental body inquires about a subject for which notice has not been given as required by this subchapter, the notice provisions of this subchapter do not apply to:

1. A statement of a specific information given in response to the inquiry.
2. A recitation of existing policy in a response to the inquiry.

(b.) Any deliberation of or a decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

Hayden Bell spoke about Eugene Long and recent items sold at auction. Deana Kenner and Beverly Gatliff spoke about Long and his participation with the Christmas Lighting Committee. Laneel McKinney spoke as a character witness for Long.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION-CLOSED SESSION

1. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.074, Personnel Matters, the City Council will meet in closed session to deliberate the appointment, employment, performance evaluation, duties, compensation, discipline and/or dismissal of City Manager Erica Berry.

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 2:09 p.m. Council reconvened in open session at 5:11 p.m.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION-OPEN SESSION

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the employment, performance evaluation, duties, compensation, discipline and/or dismissal of City Manager Erica Berry.

Alderman Decker made the motion to authorize the Mayor to negotiate a contract with Erica Berry for the position of City Manager for the term of one year with a salary of \$100,000 to include a 6 month probationary period during which all personnel action must be reported to the City Council; the motion was seconded by Alderman Sawyer. The motion as approved unanimously.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding the employment, performance evaluation, duties, compensation, discipline and/or dismissal of City Secretary Brenda Poe.

Alderman Tudyk made the motion to approve a contract with Brenda Poe for the position of City Secretary for the term of three years with a salary of \$55,000; the motion was seconded by Alderman Decker. The motion as approved unanimously.


E. BUDGET WORKSHOP

1. Discussion regarding the Budget for FY 21-22.

Citizen Wayne DeCesaris spoke about the proposed budget and his concerns for revenue vs expense as well as salaries. He also indicated that there were transparency issues with the City website. Council and staff discussed the proposed budget. No action taken.

F. ADJOURNMENT - The Council adjourned at 6:35 p.m.


Brenda Poe, TRMC, City Secretary


Gail Lang, Mayor