

City Council Minutes
Tuesday, June 9, 2020

On the 9th day of June 2020, at 6:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Regular Meeting at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, by telephone conference to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) with the following members present:

Henry Wilson)	Mayor
Jon McKenzie)	Mayor Pro Tem
David Booe)	Councilmembers
Larry Kitchens)	
Cathy Thompson)	
Bill McLendon)	
Cindy Shepard)	
Clay Caruthers)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle)	Assistant City Attorney
Malaika Marion Farmer)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick)	City Secretary
Sunny Patel)	Information Technology Manager
David Palla)	Fire Chief

With the following Councilmembers absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Wilson gave the Invocation.

Mayor Wilson noted the telephonic meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic and suspended the Pledge of Allegiance for the meeting. Mayor Wilson provided rules of procedure for the telephone conference meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the May 26, 2020 City Council meetings

Councilmember McKenzie moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Shepard. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Kitchens, Thompson, McLendon, McKenzie and Shepard

No: None

OTHER BUSINESS

2. Consider authorizing the city manager to execute a Contract for Switched Ethernet on Demand Services

City Manager Clay Caruthers stated this item is to continue connectivity between the City and Tarrant County facilities for the computer aided dispatch system. He explained the City was advised in 2019, that AT&T was phasing out the current connection and would require the City to upgrade the existing connection. He stated the City did go out to bid and AT&T was low bid and is the best cost option. He stated it is still a \$9,600 a year increase, but a necessary and essential service.

Councilmember Thompson moved to authorize the city manager to enter into a 3-year contract with AT&T to provide a Switched Ethernet on Demand connection to Tarrant County. Motion seconded by Councilmember Booe. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Kitchens, Thompson, McLendon, McKenzie and Shepard

No: None

3. Review of upcoming calendar items – no calendar items were reviewed.
4. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest – Mayor Wilson noted the City received a request for petition to get signatures to have an election in November for the liquor stores. He stated it is not something the City requested, but a private company that is seeking the signatures.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD – A REQUEST TO APPEAR CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE CITY SECRETARY TO BE RECOGNIZED

Mayor Wilson did not recess to Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Government Code, Section 551.071,

Consultation with City Attorney to seek advice regarding Pending or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers (Dakota Place Apartments) and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session

5. Take any and all action ensuing from Executive Session. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

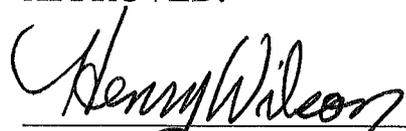
APPROVED this the 23rd day of June 2020.

ATTEST:



Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Henry Wilson, Mayor