

NOTICE

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**AGENDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.
GATESVILLE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 110 NORTH 8TH STREET, GATESVILLE, TEXAS 76528**

An Open Meeting will be held concerning the following subjects:

1. Call to Order
2. Hear Visitors/Citizens Forum: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council for a maximum of three (3) minutes. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.
3. Discussion and possible action to approve Minutes from Regular City Council Meeting February 11, 2020
4. Discussion and possible action regarding request from Cruzin Cruzers to hold annual car show around the Coryell County Courthouse and regarding temporary closure of streets
5. Discussion and possible action regarding an Ordinance of the City of Gatesville, Texas, amending Chapter 22, Subdivisions, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gatesville so as to be compliant with changes to Section 212, Local Government Code, by the 86th Texas Legislature (3rd & final reading of Ord. 2020-01)
6. Discussion and possible action regarding an Ordinance amending the Zoning Map of the City of Gatesville, Texas, changing a certain area inside the corporate city limits of the City of Gatesville, from Business/Commercial Zoning District to Residential 2-4 Family Zoning District, being 500 North 13th Street, City of Gatesville, Texas, legally known as Lot 1, Block 2, Chrisman Addition (3rd & final reading of Ord. 2020-02)
7. Discussion and possible action regarding potential amendments to City of Gatesville's Capital Improvement Plan concerning water lines for the High School renovation project
8. Briefing/presentation of the annual Gatesville Police Department Report – Police Chief Nathan Gohlke
9. Discussion and possible action regarding the bid award to replace the Booster Pump #2 (BP2) Ground Storage Water Tank
10. City Manager's Report: Capital Projects, Comprehensive Plan, Budget Report, Future Agenda Topics, Department Head Reports: Fire, Finance, Code Enforcement/Building Permits, Utility, Police, Court, Recreation, Convention and Visitor's Bureau
11. Recess Regular Meeting and call an Executive Session -----

This Closed Meeting is in accordance with Government Code Section 551.072-Real property-Deliberation regarding the acquisition of a required buffer zone easement around and adjacent to the Stillhouse Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant.
12. End closed session and reconvene Open Meeting
13. Discussion and possible action regarding the acquisition of a required buffer zone easement around and adjacent to the Stillhouse Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant
14. Adjourn Meeting

I hereby attest that the above agenda was posted on this the 21st day of February, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. on the official City of Gatesville website, www.ci.gatesville.tx.us and the official bulletin boards at the Gatesville City Hall, 110 N. 8th Street, Gatesville, Texas.

Wendy Cole
City Secretary

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FEBRUARY 25, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 110 NORTH 8TH STREET
GATESVILLE, TEXAS 76528

AN OPEN MEETING WAS HELD CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

1) CALL TO ORDER REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 5:30 P.M.THIS 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor Gary Chumley, Council Members Meredith Rainer, Greg Casey, Bill Robinette, Randy Hitt, and Jack Doyle

ABSENT: Council Member Robert Kent

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager William H. Parry III, City Secretary Wendy Cole, Rene Ochoa, Brenda Kiphen, Nathan Gohlke, Barrett Pollard, Otto Wiederhold, Nicole Torralva, Lavinia Shelton, Richard Shelton, Dale Rueter, Connie Ramsey, Robert Ramsey, Annette Eary, Wayne Martin and Heather Ashley

2) HEAR VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM: AT THIS TIME, ANY PERSON WITH BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA MAY SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL FOR A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) MINUTES. NO FORMAL ACTION CAN BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS AT THIS MEETING.

Visitors present were only concerned with an Agenda item.

3) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 11, 2020

RESOLUTION 2020-09: Motion by Bill Robinette, seconded by Meredith Rainer, to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting February 11, 2020; all five voting "Aye" motion passed.

4) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM CRUZIN CRUZERS TO HOLD ANNUAL CAR SHOW AROUND THE CORYELL COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND REGARDING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF STREETS

City Manager Parry discussed the map of the area around the Courthouse that the Cruzin Cruzers propose to hold the car show which will also be the same day as the annual Spurfest event. Cruzin Cruzers Car Club representative, Lavinia Shelton, was present to discuss details of the event and answer any questions that the council might have. Ms. Shelton reminded the council that the car show was held around the Courthouse last year and it was the best attended show that they had ever had.

There was a discussion regarding the streets that would be temporarily closed and that they would need to close from 6:00 a.m.to 5:00 p.m. There will be no food trucks and Ms. Shelton said that she would notify the Courthouse officials and businesses around the square that the car show has been approved by the Council for September 19, 2020.

RESOLUTION 2020-10: Motion by Randy Hitt, seconded by Meredith Rainer, to approve the request from the Cruzin Cruzers to hold the annual car show around the Coryell County Courthouse and temporary closure of streets (from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) on September 19, 2020 ; all five voting "Aye" motion passed.

5) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 22, SUBDIVISIONS, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE SO AS TO BE COMPLIANT WITH CHANGES TO SECTION 212, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, BY THE 86TH TEXAS LEGISLATURE (3RD & FINAL READING OF ORD. 2020-01)

City Manager Parry stated that there had been no changes to the ordinance since the original reading presented to the City Council two meetings ago and recommended approval of Ordinance 2020-01 on the third and final reading.

ORDINANCE 2020-01: Motion by Jack Doyle, seconded by Greg Casey, to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2020-01, amending Chapter 22, Subdivisions, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gatesville so as to be compliant with changes to Section 212, Local Government Code, by the 86th Texas Legislature; all five voting “Aye” motion passed.

6) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE, TEXAS, CHANGING A CERTAIN AREA INSIDE THE CORPORATE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE, FROM BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO RESIDENTIAL 2-4 FAMILY ZONING DISTRICT, BEING 500 NORTH 13TH STREET, CITY OF GATESVILLE, TEXAS, LEGALLY KNOWN AS LOT 1, BLOCK 2, CHRISMAN ADDITION (3RD & FINAL READING OF ORD. 2020-02)

City Manager Parry stated that there had been no changes to the ordinance since the original reading presented to the City Council two meetings ago and recommended approval of Ordinance 2020-02 on the third and final reading.

ORDINANCE 2020-02: Motion by Meredith Rainer, seconded by Bill Robinette, to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2020-02, amending the zoning map of the City of Gatesville, Texas, changing a certain area inside the corporate city limits of the City of Gatesville, from Business/Commercial Zoning District to Residential 2-4 Family Zoning District, being 500 North 13th Street, City of Gatesville, Texas, legally known as lot 1, Block 2, Chrisman addition; all five voting “Aye” motion passed.

7) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING POTENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO CITY OF GATESVILLE’S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN CONCERNING WATER LINES FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT

City Manager Parry stated that the Gatesville Independent School District (GISD) Superintendent, Barrett Pollard, was present at this meeting to discuss the renovation project and possible funding the city might consider to assist GISD with this project. Parry provided a copy of the map of the water line area to each of the councilmembers as well as presented on the projector screen. A copy of the City of Gatesville 5-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as it was July of 2019 was also provided to the council. This CIP indicates what the city has budgeted to accomplish and also ensures it is synchronized and adequately funded. This CIP document was also provided to the City’s rate consultants so they could review the city’s proposed capital improvement projects and make sure the city’s water and sewer rates would adequately cover these projects. Parry pointed out several projects in the CIP that were already in the design phase and were probably too late to be shifted in the plan.

Mr. Parry said the council was probably already aware of problems with water lines around the school district regarding fire suppression. Parry stated that the City has already paid the difference to upgrade the 6” inch line that is currently being replaced in front of the high school between Elm Street and Marshall Street to 10-inch line so the City won’t have to dig up and upgrade to 10-inch in a few years.

Parry discussed the City's engineers probable cost to replace the 50 to 60 year old 10-inch cast iron water lines on South Lovers Lane (from Business 36 to Main St), Marshall Street (between the High School & Junior High), and 26th Street (on the back side of the Jr. High).

Discussed were improvements and upgrades that would need to be implemented to increase the volume in the lines for GISD with the engineer's total cost estimated at \$830,200.00. The problem is that these line replacements were not in the CIP that the council has already approved. In order to accommodate the water line replacement that the school board is asking the council to approve would mean shifting Council approved CIP projects planned on Osage Road and North Lovers Lane (approximate cost of \$900,000.00) to other fiscal years. The City does not have the funding to do both projects at the same time.

There was a detailed discussion regarding the three different phases and costs to accomplish the GISD project:

- Replace 6-inch cast iron line in Lovers Lane (from Bridge Street to Main Street) with 10-inch PVC.
- Replace the 6-inch cast iron line on 26th Street with 10-inch PVC
- Replace the 6-inch cast iron line on Marshall Street with 10-inch PVC

The costs discussed did not include cost of new fire hydrants or surface repair. A benefit of these renovations would accommodate future expansions of school campuses.

Following Mr. Parry's briefing, Councilmember Doyle asked for an estimate of residents that would be affected if the Osage/N. Lovers Lane projects would be pushed back in the CIP. Mr. Parry said that he would research and bring the information back to the council. Parry did not think the GISD project would be affected if the council did not decide to change the CIP to fund this GISD project.

Gatesville Independent School District Superintendent, Dr. Barrett Pollard, thanked City Manager Parry, Mayor Chumley, City Inspector Robert Featherston, Water Distribution Supervisor Chad Newman, and Fire Chief Billy Vaden for all of their input into this discussion regarding the renovation project.

Pollard said that he was present at the meeting to discuss what GISD would prefer to make this renovation the best possible but wants the council to do what is best for the city even if that means going forward with the Osage/N. Lovers Lane projects first. Pollard stated that an advantage in doing the project now would be that the lines could be upgraded now while the construction/tearing up the streets are ongoing instead of waiting to do a portion of it later.

Pollard stated that upgrading the lines now to improve the fire suppression is a safety issue and would protect the most valuable asset of this project- the children. Many children would be affected if there should ever be a fire and the school's engineer has proposed that as a safety issue, a fourth fire hydrant would be best. Councilmember Rainer asked why this issue wasn't discussed before the GISD bond package was presented to residents. Superintendent Barrett Pollard said that this was not a known issue at that time- it was a secondary issue that came up later. Pollard said that if this is financially feasible for the city it would be great but if it will alienate the tax payers it can wait.

There was a lengthy discussion and the following points were considered:

- Boring under Main Street to activate the fire hydrant across Main and the cost to do that
- Possibly installing a 4th fire hydrant at the back corner in the school alleyway by the automotive & technology entrance but it probably wouldn't have sufficient water pressure/volume to fight a fire.
- If it would be cheaper to sprinkle the old part of the high school instead of this proposed water line renovation
- How a fire would be extinguished by the Fire Department if this water line upgrade was deferred
- The Capital Improvement Plan is reviewed every year and can always be changed and projects shifted
- Would it be feasible to implement these improvements in phases
- Not a good option to mix the 2 pressure planes at Booster Pump 5 and the 23rd Street elevated tank because of the elevation of the tanks and pressure exertion.
- Possibility of revenue bonds/certificates of obligation issuance so infrastructure issues could be addressed sooner

Mr. Parry said that there are 6 inch cast iron water mains all over the city that need to be replaced and city staff prioritizes replacement of the lines by the number of water leaks that an area is experiencing. All of these projects are important and a decision does not have to be made tonight but the council will need to decide soon if they wish to reprioritize the CIP in order to assist GISD with this project.

Dr. Pollard said that the school board does not need a decision tonight and no decision tonight will not have an impact on the progression of the high school renovation project as pressure required will be provided by the pumps that will be installed. This water line renovation is just good practice as a safety issue and possibly a strategic plan by the city to get water lines replaced while this construction is going on. The school board does not want the city to go into dire straits financially or alienate segments of Gatesville's population but at the same time, the city does have an expensive asset with the schools and children that we want to keep safe.

Dr. Pollard said that he thinks a hydrant would be a high priority and Mr. Parry said he didn't disagree, but pointed out that doing a bore and tap would be very expensive and would not produce the desired solution. Parry thought the best solution would result if it ran off of a 10-inch line that would run from Marshall Street to Main Street and then to the school.

Following a further discussion regarding implementation of these renovations in phases, Mayor Chumley thanked Barret Pollard for attending the meeting tonight.

RESOLUTION 2020-11: There was not a motion and no action taken regarding potential amendments to City of Gatesville's Capital Improvement Plan Concerning water lines for the High School renovation project.

8) BRIEFING/PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL GATESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT – POLICE CHIEF NATHAN GOHLKE

Police Chief Nathan Gohlke provided each councilmember a 2019 Police Department Report and Racial Profiling Report and reminded the Council that each year the Police Department (PD) presents the Racial Profiling report as required by Texas State Legislature which also includes an overview of Gatesville's PD's activity for the previous year. Chief Gohlke encouraged the council to read the report and pointed out that the Gatesville PD received no formal or informal complaints on racial profiling in 2019.

- PD responded to 13,014 calls for service with 574 arrests for a variety of crimes and generated 911 reports
- Juveniles: 29 warnings & 6 citation were issued compared to 24 warnings & 9 citations last year. There were 35 juvenile arrests which was a big increase from last year. School Resource Officers are at every campus this year and are working out well.
- There were 137 vehicular accidents in 2019, an increase of 11 from last year. Citations, traffic warnings, and DWI arrests also increased from last year.
- Officers responded to 230 alarm calls, 153 of which were determined to be false alarms. \$1025.00 were collected for false alarm fees. The ordinance requires that the PD allow 5 free false alarm calls.
- Animal Control statistics have improved from last year. Chief Gohlke credited the improvement to the volunteers that have made a difference. Impounded animal counts are down, euthanization of animals are down, and adoptions are up. Councilmember Rainer made a suggestion to recognize the volunteers somehow.

Chief Gohlke discussed NIBRS (an incident-based reporting system) which collects data on each single crime occurrence. The report compared last year's reported and cleared crimes to 2019's reported and cleared crimes. Gohlke said overall he was confident in these numbers but would like to see the numbers get better.

Community Outreach initiatives, events, accomplishments, and future goals were highlighted: National Night Out, Citizen Police Academy which was cancelled this year due to low interest, Drunk Busters DWI Awareness Program, Child Safety Seat Checkups, Kid Print, Neighborhood Watch, Crime Prevention, Animal Adoption, Drug Take Back Program, Cone With A Cop, Cen-Tex Crime Stoppers, and the Beard Campaign.

In an ongoing effort to keep equipment updated, the PD applied for and received equipment grants totaling over \$139,000.00, that were used to purchase mobile radios, portable radios, a repeater, and rifle resistant body armor.

Next, Chief Gohlke reported on racial profiling which included a breakdown of 2019 data and a racial comparative traffic review.

Approximately \$700 has been raised towards a Police K-9 dog. \$12,000.00 is needed to train, certify and purchase the equipment that would be required for the dog, the officer, and to upfit the vehicle. Future fundraising efforts are being discussed.

9) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE BID AWARD TO REPLACE THE BOOSTER PUMP #2 (BP2) GROUND STORAGE WATER TANK

City Manager Parry stated that in March of 2018, during a scheduled inspection, TCEQ issued a notice of alleged violation for failure to maintain the exterior coating of the BP2 Ground Storage Tank which is located at Pancake, west of Gatesville. TCEQ noted significant deterioration and sloughing of the exterior coating system. At the June 12, 2018 council meeting, the council approved replacement of the GST at BP2 which eventually was included in the city’s Capital Improvement Plan. Council authorized the City Manager to retain an Engineering firm to design the project and Walker Partner’s Engineers were hired and have designed this project all the way through to this bidding process. Walker Partners Representatives, Otto Wiederhold and Nicole Torralva, were present at this meeting if there were any questions or concerns. The City of Gatesville advertised for bids and 2 bids were received:

Bidder	Total Bid
Pipe Works Constructors, LLC	\$267,450.00
TTE, LLC	\$279,000.00

Walker Partners Engineers reviewed the bids and evaluated the contractors and recommend the bid be awarded to low bidder, Pipe Works Constructors, LLC.

There was a brief discussion regarding the tank design (bolted steel - galvanized) and Mr. Wiederhold said that it should last as long as the 1989 tank did.

RESOLUTION 2020-12: Motion by Meredith Rainer, seconded by Jack Doyle, to award the bid to replace Booster Pump #2 (BP2) Ground Water Storage Tank to Pipe Works Constructors LLC in the amount of \$267,450.00; all five voting “Aye” motion passed.

10) CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

CITY MANAGER INITIATIVES:

- Capital Projects:

Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Improvement Plan Project: TxDOT has approved all of the engineering documents that were provided by Walker Partners for the replacement of 1,760 linear feet of sewer lines and seven manholes on West Main. TxDOT has approved directional boring along Main Street (in the TxDOT right-of-way) as opposed to trenching the lines. A request for bids will be advertised in the Gatesville Messenger on March 7th and March 14th with bid opening on April 7, 2020. Council will review bids for approval at the council meeting on April 14th.

City of Gatesville Comprehensive Plan: There will be a joint briefing for the City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission at the March 10th council meeting and Benchmark Planning should be in attendance.

Other activities/dates of note: Saturday, March 14: Annual Household Hazardous Waste event at the Civic Center. This will include a City-wide cleanup in coordination with Keep Gatesville Beautiful.

Keep Gatesville Beautiful President, Joe Campbell, has coordinated quite a few volunteers for the event. Parry invited all the council to come and help out. Any efforts to help secure any food or beverage donations to help feed the volunteers would also be welcomed.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL REPORT: To date, the City has received 92.8% of budget in 2019 ad valorem (property) taxes.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Last night was the first night of soccer season. Mr. Parry reported that he drove out to the complex and is happy to say that people adhered to the parking rules and parked correctly, although there were more vehicles than parking spaces.
Youth softball/baseball registration is ongoing and the season will begin on April 21st.

Mr. Parry provided the council a 2020 Census Information document and discussed the contents which included key census dates, a map depicting the 4 zones in Gatesville, and a sample questionnaire. The 2020 Census will determine congressional representation, inform hundreds of billions in federal funding, and provide data that will impact communities for the next decade. Results of the census will show where communities need new schools, new roads, and services for residents. Library Director Faye Nichols, will be prepared to assist individuals at the library that would like to submit their census questionnaires using the library computers. Parry asked the council members to please get the word out for people to fill out and submit the questionnaires as Gatesville needs an actual count to be able to get all the benefits the Census information can provide the residents for the next ten years. A reminder could be put on the April water bill and a reminder will be put on social media.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

ROBINETTE: Asked how the water meter analysis was going?

PARRY: The meters have been tested because they returned the old meters that were pulled but city staff has not heard back yet. Ameresco promised an analysis by the end of March so possibly at the March 24th meeting they will be ready to provide a data update.

11) RECESS REGULAR MEETING AT 7:06 P.M. AND CALL AN EXECUTIVE SESSION-----

This Closed Meeting is in accordance with Government Code Section 551.072- Real Property- Deliberation regarding the acquisition of a required buffer zone easement around and adjacent to the Stillhouse Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant.

12) END EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:28 AND RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

13) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF A REQUIRED BUFFER ZONE EASEMENT AROUND AND ADJSCENT TO THE STILLHOUSE BRANCH WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Mayor Chumley asked for a motion.

RESOLUTION 2020-13: Motion by Bill Robinette, seconded by Greg Casey, to approve a Resolution 2020-13 authorizing the acquisition of a buffer zone easement around and adjacent to Stillhouse Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant which covers and includes 11.066 acres of land and authorizing payment of \$54,229.00; all five voting “Aye” motion passed.

14) ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., THIS 25TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020

ATTEST:

Wendy Cole
City Secretary

APPROVED:

Gary M. Chumley
Mayor

