## CITY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 22, 2025 5:30 P.M.

## COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 110 NORTH 8TH STREET, GATESVILLE, TEXAS 76528

AN OPEN MEETING WAS HELD CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

- 1) CALL TO ORDER THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 5:30 P.M. THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JULY 2025.
- 2) QUORUM CHECK/COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Casey, Councilmembers Kalinda Westbrook, Aaron Smith, Meredith Rainer, and Joe Patterson.

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Brad Hunt, City Secretary Holly Owens, Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Mike Halsema, Shea Harp, Chad Newman, and Patrice Gilbert.

OTHERS: Gatesville Messenger Staff Writer Alex Meelbusch, Leo Corona, and Travis VanBibber.

3) INVOCATION: Kalinda Westbrook and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Casey.

CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS FORUM: INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE GATESVILLE CITY COUNCIL MAY DO SO DURING THIS SEGMENT. IF YOU INTEND TO COMMENT ON A SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE INDICATE THE ITEM(S) ON THE SIGN IN SHEET BEFORE THE MEETING. EACH SPEAKER IS ALLOTED A MAXIMUM OF 3 MINUTES FOR THEIR REMARKS, AND SPEAKERS ARE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A RESPECTFUL MANNER. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY OF GATESVILLE CITY COUNCIL CANNOT DELIBERATE OR ACT ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE MEETING AGENDA.

There were no public comments.

**CONSENT:** All consent agenda items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item to be removed and considered separately.

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  - **a.** Resolution 2025-064: Discussion and possible action regarding approval of minutes from Regular City Council Meeting held on July 8, 2025.
  - **b. Resolution 2025-065:** Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the May 2025 Financials.
  - **c. Resolution 2025-066:** Discussion and possible action suspending ONCOR Electric Delivery Company LLC's Proposed effective date of July 31, 2025, for 90 days.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion by Aaron Smith, seconded by Kalinda Westbrook to **APPROVE** the **CONSENT AGENDA** as written. All four voting "Aye", motion passed, 4-0-0. (Chumley and Salter absent)

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

5) Discussion and possible action regarding Ordinance 2025-14, amending Chapter 32, adding Article IX. – Coin Operated Machines and Indoor Amusement Facilities.

ORDINANCE 2025-14: Motion by Joe Patterson, seconded by Meredith Rainer to APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-14, amending Chapter 32, adding Article IX. – Coin Operated Machines and Indoor Amusement Facilities, third and final reading. All four voting "Aye", motion passed 4-0-0. (Chumley and Salter absent)

6) Discussion and possible action to set date/time/place for Budget Public Hearing and call Special Council Meeting.

**RESOLUTION 2025-068:** Motion by Meredith Rainer, seconded by Aaron Smith to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-068**, calling for a Special Meeting on September 2, 2025, at 5:30 pm at City Hall, 110 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Gatesville, Texas to conduct the Budget Public Hearing. All four voting "Aye", motion passed 4-0-0. (Chumley and Salter absent)

7) Discussion and possible action regarding Resolution 2025-067, providing for the defeasance and calling for redemption of certain currently outstanding obligations.

**RESOLUTION 2025-067:** Motion by Kalinda Westbrook, seconded by Joe Patterson to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-067**, providing for the defeasance. All four voting "Aye", motion passed 4-0-0. (Chumley and Salter absent)

8) City Manager's Report.

Brad Hunt updated Council on city departments for the month of July.

Leo Corona believes that feedback from HOT Funds recipients regarding their events, (i.e., attendance, sales tax, etc.) should be part of the procedures. Mr. Hunt agreed.

Councilman Patterson asked how the wholesale water contract work. Mr. Hunt stated the last time Gatesville raised the rate was in 2013. Patterson added the City is currently subsidizing accounts located outside the city limits.

Mr. Hunt stated a meeting is being scheduled to explain the rate change to the entities.

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Councilwoman Rainer stated she would like to have a meeting about the three-reading process. The language is unclear between passed and approved and the ordinances change from the first reading to the third reading. Councilman Patterson agreed and would like better clarification on the language with the readings using words like consider versus approve.

Councilman Casey stated that he likes the three readings because it allows Council and Staff to work out the ordinance to a final outcome.

9) Adjourn Meeting

City Council adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Chumley

ATTEST:

City Secretary, Holly Owens