



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2021

The Council meeting was open to the public. The City of Parker provided disposable face masks and hand sanitizer. Citizens were told, if they felt uncomfortable attending the meeting in person, they should send public comments to the City Secretary at PGrey@parkertexas.us prior to 3:00 PM the day of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER – Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

The Parker City Council met in a regular meeting on the above date at Parker City Hall, 5700 E. Parker Road, Parker, Texas, 75002.

Mayor Lee Pettie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Ed Standridge and Councilmembers Diana M. Abraham, Terry Lynch, Cindy Meyer, and Michael Slaughter were present.

Staff Present: City Administrator Luke Olson, Asst. City Administrator/City Secretary Patti Scott Grey, Finance/H.R. Manager Grant Savage, City Attorney Brandon Shelby, Public Works Director Gary Machado, Fire Chief Mike Sheff, and Police Chief Richard Brooks

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AMERICAN PLEDGE: Kimberly Hinshaw led the pledge.

TEXAS PLEDGE: Le Ann Turrentine led the pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS The City Council invites any person with business before the Council to speak. No formal action may be taken on these items at this meeting. Please keep comments to 3 minutes.

Tracey A. Pounders, with Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd, and Hullett (ARBH), said he was not a resident but a tax collection specialist, assisting with delinquent property taxes.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Pettie announced Dr. Shirley Garrett, Parker's Facilities Consultant, plans to have her January 5, 2021 Community Meeting report completed this weekend. The Mayor asked Council and Staff if they would be available for a special Council/Community Meeting next Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 7:00 PM to discuss and answer questions, regarding the report. Dr. Garrett will attend the meeting virtually. Council and Staff agreed.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Pettie reviewed the "Items of Community Interest", as following:

- PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION (P&R) – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021, 6 PM

The Mayor stated the (P&R) Commission meeting would be virtual and the access code is at the top of the agenda for that meeting on the City's website at www.parkertexas.us when that agenda becomes available.

- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (COMP) COMMITTEE – WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021, 6 PM

Mayor Pettie said the Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting would be in-person and virtual, and the access code is at the top of the that agenda on the City's website at www.parkertexas.us when that agenda becomes available as well.

- REMINDER – May 1, 2021 – General Election (EV and ED Info)

Mayor Pettie noted, once again, the City of Parker, Texas, is scheduled to hold its municipal election on May 1, 2021 for three (3) Council at-large positions. Candidates, interested in running for City Council, could start the filing process last Wednesday, January 13, 2021 and filing will close Friday, February 12, 2021, 5:00 PM.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 18	Apr 19 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 20 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 21 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr 22 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr. 23 Early Voting 8am to 5pm	Apr. 24 Early Voting 8am to 5pm
Apr 25	Apr 26 Early Voting 7am to 7pm	Apr 27 Early Voting 7am to 7pm	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1 Election Day 7am to 7pm

- PROJECTED 2021 TAX RATE PLANNING CALENDAR

CONSENT AGENDA Routine Council business. Consent Agenda is approved by a single majority vote. Items may be removed for open discussion by a request from a Councilmember or member of staff.

1. REPUBLIC WASTE DECEMBER REPORT. [BERNAS]
2. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS – BUILDING CODE (DEC), COURT (DEC), FINANCE (monthly financials) (NOV & DEC), AND POLICE (DEC)

MOTION: Councilmember Abraham moved to accept Republic's December Report and the City's Departmental reports, as presented. Councilmember Slaughter seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Slaughter, and Standridge voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Pettie announced City Administrator Olson will organize a City Council Workshop to discuss departmental reports. The goal is to make the reports as informative and useful as possible.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS

3. CONSIDERATION AND/OR ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 2021-658 (BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEMBERSHIP SELECTION – REPEALING RES. NO. 2019-598), FOR REVIEW AND POSSIBLE CHANGES. [PETTIE] [NO ACTION – 01122020]

Council discussed revised Resolution No. 2021-658, reviewing specifically how Board and Commission (B&C) applicants are selected for consideration;

appointed; how the B&Cs select officers and how to make the entire process better.

Councilmember Lynch asked about “Term Limits”.

Councilmember Slaughter and Mayor Pro Tem Standridge expressed concern about the lack of volunteers; how current members would take term limits; and Mayor Pettie was concerned about implementing term limits, when Council does not have term limits at this time.

Councilmember Meyer asked about dispersing the various B&Cs appointments/re-appointments throughout the year.

Councilmember Abraham agreed it could be a complicated, delicate, awkward, even “tricky” discussion.

MOTION: Councilmember Meyer moved to approve Resolution No. 2021-658 (Boards and Commissions Membership Selection – Repealing Res. No. 2019-598), as revised. Councilmember Slaughter seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Slaughter, and Standridge voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. CONSIDERATION AND/OR ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ACCEPTING DONATION(S) FROM VARIOUS ENTITIES FOR THE PARKER PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION’S HOLIDAZE 2020. [PETTIE/TURRENTINE] [TABLED – 09152020]

City Administrator said he recreated the donation list to simplify things. (See Exhibit 1 – Updated Donation List, dated January 14, 2021.)

MOTION: Councilmember Slaughter moved to accept the Parks and Recreation (P&R) Holiday event donations to the City of Parker. Councilmember Abraham seconded with Councilmembers Abraham, Lynch, Meyer, Slaughter, and Standridge voting for the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Mayor, Council and Staff thanked P&R Commission for their generous donations, whether it be time or monetary. Council said they wanted to express how thankful the City of Parker is to have such generous residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Standridge said “Holiday 2020” was an awesome event and we realize the time and effort involved and hoped it would not be the last event.

ROUTINE ITEMS

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

UPDATE(S):

- NOISE COMMITTEE [OLSON]

City Administrator Olson said due to COVID-19, there have not been many activities/events to generate noise, so we have not had the usual complaints. The committee has been inactive but plans to continue monitoring noise complaints and meet as necessary.


Mayor Pettie asked if there were any items to be added to the future agenda. Hearing no requests, she encouraged everyone to email her any requests. She noted the next regularly scheduled meeting would be, Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT

- 6.- 9. Mayor Pettie asked City Council if anyone needed to recess into executive session at this time. Hearing no requests, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.



APPROVED:


Mayor Lee Pettie

ATTESTED:


Patti Scott Grey, City Secretary

Approved on the 2nd day
of February, 2021.

Holidaze 2020**Donations:**

Pier Burgess:	X-Mas Lights	\$200
Matt Boggs:	Time	\$500
Kimberly Hinshaw:	Live reindeer w/sled	\$500 (\$1,000-\$1,500 donated by company)
	X-Mas Lights	\$500
LeAnn Turrentine:	Electrician Expense	\$700
	Coffee/Hot Chocolate	\$94
	Candy Canes for Children Bags	\$21.65

Use Of Items:

Southfork Ranch:	Tables/Chairs/Labor	\$600
Kimberly Hinshaw:	Candy Canes Décor 24*10	\$240
	Snow Machine	\$900
	"Believe" sign Décor	\$150
LeAnn Turrentine:	Extension Cords from Lowe's	\$596.27
	Décor (Trees/Lights)	\$434.26

January 14, 2021