

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 14, 2019- 6:00 P.M.**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE RUHMAN C. FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING**  
**303 W. MAIN ST., KENEDY, TX. 78119**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: JAMES D SUTTON (MAYOR), ALBERTO BALDARRAMOS (DISTRICT 1), BRENDA CANO (DISTRICT 2), BRANDON BRIONES (DISTRICT 3) JUSTIN MEYER (DISTRICT 4), LESLIE WYNN (DISTRICT 5)  
CITY PRESENT: BARBARA SHAW (CITY MANAGER), AMANDA HINES (CITY SECRETARY), RICHARD ASHE (POLICE CHIEF)

**1. Call Meeting to order.**

Mayor James D Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M and announced a quorum present.

**2. Roll Call.**

All Councilors were present.

**3. Prayer.**

**4. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**5. Citizen Comment.**

Richard Saucedo asked that people do not attack him on social media. He asks to please contact him directly with any concerns. He stated the City of Kenedy did a great job with the Mayo Music Festival, nothing like this has ever been done in Kenedy.

Alberto Baldarammos thanked District 1 for allowing him to serve

**6. Consider/Act on the Consent Agenda:**

- A. Airport Board Report**
- B. Animal Control Report**
- C. Attorney Report**
- D. Board of Adjustments Report**
- E. Chamber of Commerce Report**
- F. City Council Minutes**
- G. Community Development Report**
- H. Emergency Management Report**
- I. Financial Report**
- J. Fire Department Report**
- K. Kenedy 4B Corporation Report**
- L. Municipal Court Report**
- M. Parks & Recreation Report**
- N. Planning & Zoning Report**
- O. Police Department Report**
- P. Street Department Report**
- Q. TIRZ No. 2 Report**
- R. Water & Wastewater Report**

design for high service pumps currently in progress. Nottingham – 90% plans and OPC complete. Review and discuss next steps with council. East Main Drainage – in construction, estimated completion in mid-July. Contractor will coordinate work with sanitary line contractor.

**10. Update of Escondido Creek Parkway Project.**

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to open item 10 for discussion. Councilor Brandon Briones seconded the motion.

San Antonio River Authority handed Council a power point packet and gave Council an update of the project.

**11. Consideration and possible action in regard to Resolution No. 19 – 15 a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Kenedy, Texas, Suspending the June 5, 2019 Effective Date of AEP Texas Inc.'s Requested Rate Change to Permit the City Time to Study the Request an to Establish Reasonable Rates; Approving Cooperation with the Cities Served by AEP Texas and Authorizing Intervention in AEP Texas Inc.'s Requested Rate Change Proceedings before the Commission; Hiring Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys and Consulting Services to Negotiate with the Company an Direct any Necessary Litigation and Appeals; Requiring Reimbursement of Cities' Rate Case Expenses; Finding that the Meeting at which this Resolution is Passed is Open to the Public as Required by Law; Requiring Notice of the Resolution to the Company and Legal Counsel.**

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to open item 11 for discussion. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion.

Vee Straus with AEP stated AEP filed with the PUC on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Ms. Straus recommends denying.

City Attorney recommends approving to suspend the June 5, 2019 effective date.

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to approve Resolution 19-15 suspending the June 5, 2019 effective date of AEP Texas Inc.'s requested rate change. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

**12. Consideration and possible action in regard to Resolution No. 19 – 16 a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Kenedy, Texas Expressing Official Intent to Reimburse with Tax-Exempt Obligation Proceeds Costs incurred to Acquire, Construct and Equip a Sports Park.**

Councilor Justin Meyer made a motion to open item 12 for discussion. Councilor Leslie Wynn seconded the motion.

City Manager Barbara Shaw stated the resolution is to reimburse any expenses for the sports complex. 4B cannot expend any funds for 60 days.

Councilor Cindy Saenz asked what the total cost of the complex will be. City Manager Shaw stated \$7.5 million.

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to approve Resolution 19-16 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Kenedy, Texas expressing official intent to reimburse with tax-exempt obligation proceeds costs incurred to acquire, construct, and equip a sports park. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

**13. Consideration and possible action in regard to acceptance of a bid for Ball Park Demolition from Hunter Demolition & Wrecking Corp. for \$85,200.00.**

Councilor Brandon Briones made a motion to open item 13 for discussion. Councilor Leslie Wynn seconded the motion.

Councilor Brandon Briones asked what the City is doing with the new lights, if they could possibly benefit the walking trail. Mayor James Sutton stated they may possibly be sold to the City of Lytle, Texas. They will be taken down and stored.

Councilor Justin Meyer asked if the City of Kenedy can have an interlocal agreement with KISD to use sports complex. City Manager Barbara Shaw stated there is already an interlocal agreement in place.

Councilor Cindy Saenz asked what is being demolished. Mayor James Sutton stated three fields will be demolished and four built.

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to approve the demolition of the fields and allow the City Manager to execute the contract. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. Councilor Brandon Briones and Justin Meyer voted in favor. Councilor Cindy Saenz voted in opposition. Motion passed.

**14. Consideration and possible action in regard to acceptance of a bid for East Main Sanitary Sewer Upgrades from R. L. Jones, LP for \$239,780.60.**

Councilor Brandon Briones made a motion to open item 14 for discussion. Councilor Justin Meyer seconded the motion.

Mayor James Sutton stated there is a discrepancy with the plans that went out for bid. He suggests Hanson look over and revise the plans.

Councilor Justin Meyer made a motion to table item 14 to have Hanson lookover and revise the plans. Councilor Leslie Wynn seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

**15. Consideration and possible action in regard to Advertise for Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant Office Annex Building Project.**

Councilor Branon Briones made a motion to open item 15 for discussion. Councilor Leslie Wynn seconded the motion.

City Manager Barbara Shaw stated the current office is needing to be taken out to install two high service pumps. Hanson's cost opinion is \$400,000. Council approval is needed to proceed with the project.

Councilor Justin Meyer asked if the projected is in the budget. City Manager Shaw stated there are funds to begin. Mayor James Sutton asked what is the time frame. Grace with Hanson stated Spring 2020. City Manager Barbara Shaw stated an agreement was made with TCEQ and the City of Kenedy has not had to pay any fines. The funds are being utilized for upgrades and improvements.

Councilor Justin Meyer made a motion to approve the advertisement for the Cottonwood Water Treatment Plant Office Annex Building Project. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

**16. Consideration and possible action in regard to directing staff to prepare a Game Room Ordinance.**

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to open item 16 for discussion. Councilor Justin Meyer seconded the motion.

Councilor Leslie Wynn stated he thinks this is something the City needs to consider. Councilor Justin Meyer asked a game room is raided and the owner convicted, how can the establishment still use the permit. Chief Ashe stated the motherboards are removed and cash is seized. Councilor Justin Meyer suggested to charge \$500 per device and use funds towards vehicle allowances and interest charges on leased vehicles. City Attorney stated the fees goes to the enforcement of the ordinance. Councilor Leslie Wynn asked who is responsible to make sure the machines are stamped. Mayor James Sutton stated the Texas Comptroller is the responsible party. Councilor Cindy Saenz what is considered illegal. Police Chief Ashe stated gambling is illegal. The only way to police the game rooms is to send someone undercover. Councilor Justin Meyer requested that the Police Chief and City Manager had full access to locations.

Councilor Leslie Wynn made a motion to allow the city attorney and city manager research and prepare an ordinance to bring back to Council. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

**17. Adjourn**

Councilor Brandon Briones made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Brenda Cano seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

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Amanda Hines, City Secretary

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James D Sutton, Mayor

