



**MINUTES  
OF THE  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON  
DECEMBER 8, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
AT  
CITY AUDITORIUM IN THE RUHMAN C. FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
303 W. MAIN ST., KENEDY, TX. 78119**

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1. Call Regular City Council meeting to order and announce a quorum is present.

**Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was established.**

2. Roll Call.

**All present**

3. Prayer.

**Councilor Wynn gave the invocation.**

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

**Mayor Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

5. Citizen comment.

**There were no Citizen Comments.**

6. Mayor Joe Baker presenting a Proclamation to the Kenedy Lions Varsity Football Team for their accomplishments and proclaiming December 8, 2020 as “Kenedy Lions Football Day.”

**Mayor Baker presented the Proclamation declaring December 8, 2020 as “Kenedy Lions Football Day” to Athletic Director Shawn Alvarez.**

7. Departmental Reports.

- City Secretary Report

**Ms Hines presented the City Secretary report.**

- Code Compliance Report

**Mr. Joel Mead presented the Code Compliance Report.**



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- Public Works Director Report

**Public Works Director Higgins presented the Public Works Director Report.**

- Police Chief Report

**Chief Ashe presented the Police Report**

- Fire Department Report

**Ms Hines presented the Fire Department report.**

**8. City Manager Report.**

- Staffing, Current Projects, Future Projects, Current Operations, and/or Future Operations
- Presentation of Financials.

**City Manager Linn presented the City Manager report and presented the financials to Council.**

**9. Consent Agenda**

- A. City Council Minutes
- B. Approve Financials

**Councilor Briones made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Douglas-Meyer seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.**

10. Consideration and possible action in regard to Resolution 20-33, a Resolution confirming support to the proposed Town Oak Apartments located at 120 Water Street for construction of affordable rental housing in the City of Kenedy.

**Councilor Wynn made the motion to open item 10 for discussion. Councilor Briones seconded the motion.**

**Mr. Justin Meyer of Arx Advantage presented to Council regarding Arx Advantage seeking federal funding to remodel and upgrade units at the Town Oak Apartments. Mr. Meyer explained that Arx Advantage was unsuccessful in obtaining funding in 2020 and expressed hope that they would be successful in 2021. Mr. Meyer was seeking Council's support on the matter.**

**Discussion ensued over various issues raised by Councilors and the City Manager. As a result of the items of discussion, Council proposed the idea of setting aside this item until the January 2021 meeting to permit Mr. Meyer time to address Council's and the City Manager's concerns.**

**Councilor Briones made the motion to set this item aside until the January 12, 2021 meeting. Councilor Douglas-Meyer seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.**

11. Consideration and possible action in regard to the acceptance of a cost proposal for the Carrizo Well Project, Well No. 17 (Carrizo Well 1) and Well No. 18 (Carrizo Well 2), from Weisinger Incorporated in the amount of \$2,594,100 and to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Weisinger Incorporated for above scope and price.



**Councilor Briones made the motion to open item 11 for discussion. Councilor Saenz seconded the motion.**

**The recommendation from Southwest Engineers to award the Carrizo Well project to Weisinger Incorporated in the amount to \$2,594,100 was made to the Council.**

**Councilor Rodriguez made the motion to award the Carrizo Well project to Weisinger Incorporated in the amount of \$2,594,100 and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement. Councilor Wynn seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.**

12. Consideration and possible action in regard to the acceptance of a bid for Building C at the Larry Kiesling Youth Sports Complex.

**Councilor Wynn made the motion to open item 12 for discussion. Councilor Briones seconded the motion.**

**Recommendation from the City Manager to award the construction project of Building "C" at the Larry Kiesling Youth Sports Complex to the Marshall Company in the amount of \$286,800. The also informed the Council that this was the second bidding due to the Complex being egregiously over budget and that the Kenedy 4B had budgeted the funds for the completion of Building "C".**

**Councilor Briones made the motion to award the construction project of Building "C" at the Larry Kiesling Youth Sports Complex to Marshall Company in the amount of \$286,800 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the contract. Councilor Wynn seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.**

13. Consideration and possible action in regard to the authorization to advertise for bids for the East Main Drainage and Paving Project.

**Councilor Wynn made the motion to open item 13 for discussion. Councilor Briones seconded the motion.**

**City Manager Linn informed Council that the project would be put out for bid by Engineering firm Mott MacDonald. Mr. Linn then yielded the floor to Mott MacDonald Engineer Mr. Steve Synovitz.**

**Mr. Synovitz informed the Council that the bid would be advertised for two (2) weeks and on CivCast. He further informed the Council that once the bids were tabulated, he would write a letter of recommendation and present it to the Council. Mr. Synovitz stated that there was a ten (10) week deadline for construction completion.**

**Councilor Wynn made the motion to place the East Main Drainage and Paving Project out for bidding. Councilor Rodriguez seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.**

14. Consideration and possible action in regard to a service agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc providing the City of Kenedy with access to Tyler's proprietary software products.





Councilor Briones made the motion to open item 14 for discussion. Councilor Wynn seconded the motion.

City Manager Linn informed Council that Tyler is the City's back-office system. Mr. Linn further informed Council that to have Tyler host and move our back-office to the cloud, would cost \$29,900 per year and that the Coty was currently paying Tyler around \$27,000 per year.

Councilor Douglas-Meyer made the motion to move the back-office to the cloud for \$29,900 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. Councilor Rodriguez seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed.

15. Consideration and possible action in regard to appointing a Mayor Pro-Tem.

Councilor Wynn made the motion to open item 15 for discussion. Councilor Saenz seconded the motion.

City Manager Linn informed the Council that it is Council who decides and selects the Mayor Pro-Tem.

Councilor Saenz made the motion to nominate Councilor Briones as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilor Rodriguez seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 4 Nays 0 Abstaining 1. Motion passed.

16. Consideration and possible action in regard to making improvements to the City of Kenedy website.

Councilor Wynn made the motion to open item 16 for discussion. Councilor Douglas-Meyer seconded the motion.

Mayor Baker stated he would like to see updated contact information, agendas posted, and minutes need to be posted.

No action was taken.

17. Adjourn.

Councilor Wynn made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Douglas-Meyer seconded the motion. Roll was called. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Approved on January 12, 2021



  
Joe Baker, Mayor

  
Amanda Hines, City Secretary



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