

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS  
July 13, 2022**

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor:	Don Warren
Mayor Pro Tem:	James Wynne
Councilmembers:	Stuart Hene
	Broderick McGee (out)
	Shirley McKellar (out)
	Bob Westbrook (out)
	Brad Curtis
City Manager:	Edward Broussard
Deputy City Manager:	Stephanie Franklin
Asst. City Manager:	Heather Nick
City Attorney:	Deborah G. Pullum
Senior Asst. City Attorney:	April Earley
Senior Asst. City Attorney:	Alesha Buckner
Interim Main Street Director:	Amber Varona
Planning Manager:	Kyle Kingma
City Fire Chief:	David Coble
City Librarian:	Ashley Taylor
Police Chief:	Jimmy Toler
City Engineer:	Darin Jennings
Traffic Engineer:	Cameron Williams
Parks Director:	Leanne Robinette
City Clerk:	Cassandra Brager

**INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Mayor Warren.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Wynne to approve the regular meeting minutes of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas held on June 8, 2022, and the special called meeting minutes on June 8, 2022; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

**AWARDS**

**A-1 Request that the City Council consider accepting the 2020 Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA Growth Award.**

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Presentation by Madeline Burton concerning the 2020 Arbor Day Foundation's Tree City USA Growth Award.

**PRESENTATION**

- P-1 Request that the City Council receive a presentation recognizing the designation of Downtown Tyler being listed as a District in the National Register of Historic Places.**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- M-1 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Gracon Construction, Inc. for the Chlorination/Dechlorination Improvements project for the Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Westside Wastewater Treatment Plant, in the amount of \$3,661,620.00.**

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-2 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Halff Associates Inc., in the amount of \$96,500, to prepare the Pollard Park design plan.**

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Councilmember Hene; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-3 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute an Engineering Services Contract, in an amount not to exceed \$3,317,100, with KSA Engineers, Inc. for the Consent Decree Group 5 Remedial Measures Implementation.**

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute an engineering contract with Yvonne Newman Engineering, Inc. for the Grande Boulevard (SH 57) at Old Noonday Road (CR 192) Traffic Signal Design in the amount of \$44,668.15.**

Motion by Councilmember Hene; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

**CONSENT**

**(These items are considered to be routine or have been previously discussed, and can be approved in one motion, unless a Council Member asks for separate consideration of an item.)**

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- C-A-1 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase communication consoles for the Tyler Police and Fire Public Safety Answering Point in the amount of \$77,463.43.**
- C-A-2 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to accept Smith County-9-1-1 District participation for partial funding of the Tyler Police Department's Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) console upgrades in the amount of \$50,000.00.**
- C-A-3 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase one (1) Chevrolet 1/2-ton pickup truck from Hall Buick GMC Tyler, Texas for a total cost of \$43,405.00, to be used by the Code Enforcement Department.**
- C-A-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to declare and approve Tyler Police Department emergency communications equipment (13 police handheld radios and accessories), valued at approximately \$3,250.00 as surplus and authorize the donation of same to the Tyler Independent School District Police Department for use in police operations.**
- C-A-5 Request that the City Council consider declaring a Dodge Durango as surplus property and approving an inter-local Agreement authorizing the sale of the vehicle for \$10,000 to the Lindale Independent School District.**
- C-A-6 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to ratify a reconciliation change order that will decrease the contract amount by \$20,758.56 and the release of final retainage payment in the amount of \$131,581.36 to Heritage Constructors, Inc. for the construction of the Golden Road Water Treatment Plant Filters 5-8 Rehabilitation and Caustic Feed System project.**
- C-A-7 Request that the City Council adopt Resolutions ratifying the sale of residential housing located at 804 W. Queen Street, and authorizing the sale of residential housing located at 837 Heiress within the City of Tyler city limits. (R-2021-19)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 4 - 0 & approved as presented.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

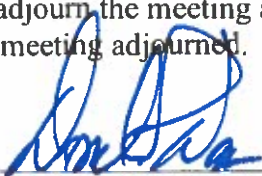
1. 2021 Crime Stats for Tyler: Preliminary data for the Tyler Police Department shows that in 2021, there was a reduction in Part 1 Crimes which consist of violent crimes and property crimes as well as a slight increase of crimes being reported. Part 1 offenses dropped more than 13% compared to 2020 data. There was also a drop of nearly 5% for Violent Crime with 489 reports for the year compared to 514 reported in 2020. The City of Tyler overall experienced a slight increase of about 1% in all reported crimes. "The past few years have presented significant challenges to law enforcement agencies throughout our nation and community," said Chief Jimmy Toler. "While we saw an increase of crimes being reported, I think that is a great sign of the trust and faith the
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3. Tyler community has in our officers. I could not be prouder of the members of the Tyler Police Department and the work they do each day to keep Tyler safe.”
4. Sales Tax figures available from the Texas Comptrollers’ website indicate our Sales Tax revenues to be deposited Monday, July 11, 2022, are \$4,563,296.31. This compares to revenues of \$4,363,388.59 for the same period last year. The actual increase for the month compared to same month last year was 4.58%. This compares to a statewide monthly average 13.98% increase in sales tax revenue collections for cities.
5. Due to the extreme heat, you may notice signs of stress on the grass in the parks. Please know that we are keeping any eye on the specific locations listed below, but please keep in mind irrigation does not replace rain water as rain water penetrates the soil better and offers a bunch of nutrients that tap water does not (and does not have chlorine or fluoride in it). Rain water has the perfect nutrients needed such as nitrogen – it’s what makes your lawn and plants seem to glow green after a good rain and all the other good stuff that our earth desperately needs a lot of right now. Just know that we are doing what we can to help keep the grass from dying. (Rose Hill Cemetery, Lindsey, Pollard, City, Bergfeld and PT Cole Parks are on the watch list)
6. We are currently preparing for the Texas State Little League tournament which will be happening at Faulkner Park this year from July 16-20.
7. The July 4th Celebration was a success yet again, despite the heat. We still had a large crowd, back to pre-pandemic numbers which was close to 1,500-2,000 people coming and going, with about 100 of those transported by Tyler Transit Buses for free. While waiting for the show they got to enjoy food from 10 different food vendors, shopping, and activities! The firework show was beautiful and the community seemed very complimentary of the event afterwards. The event wouldn’t have been possible without all of the hard work from Tyler PD, Fire, Solid Waste, and Parks!

### ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Hene to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 am; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wynne; motion carried 4 - 0 & meeting adjourned.

  
DONALD P WARREN, MAYOR OF  
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

  
CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

