



City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater Drive, Wimberley, Texas 78676

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Wimberley will conduct a teleconference/video conference meeting in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.**

The public may participate in this meeting via the following toll-free numbers 888-475-4499 or 877-853-5257 and/or using the Zoom meeting ID 836 8633 7070 and using the password 167359.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments and participate in any public hearing via teleconference or video conference, as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

Anyone wishing to offer public comments, participate in any public hearing, or offer written questions or comments must notify City Secretary, Laura Calcote, at lcalcote@cityofwimberley.com, at least two hours before the meeting.

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, called the meeting to order on September 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL

Council Members Present:

Gina Fulkerson	Mayor (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Rebecca Minnick	Place One (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Teresa Shell	Place Two (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Christine Byrne	Place Three (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Jim Chiles	Place Four (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Bo Bowman	Place Five (<i>via teleconference</i>)

City Staff Present:

Laura Calcote	City Secretary (<i>via teleconference</i>)
Sarah Griffin	City Attorney (<i>via teleconference</i>)

Terri Provost Community Center Director *(via teleconference)*
John Provost Public Works Superintendent *(via teleconference)*
Nathan Glaiser Parks Natural Resource & Maintenance Manager *(via teleconference)*
Richard Shaver Parks Operations & Programs Manager *(via teleconference)*
Jon Thompson City Planner *(via teleconference)*

INVOCATION

Wimberley United Methodist Reverend, Wes Cain, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

There were no citizen's comments.

PROCLAMATION

Proclamation of the City of Wimberley, Texas, proclaiming the week of September 17th through September 23rd as Constitution Week. *(Jacob's Well Chapter, National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution)*

Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, read aloud the Constitution Week Proclamation.

PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Presentation and consider possible action regarding an entry garden project located at the Martha Knies Community Park. *(Stephanie Nestlerode, Keep Wimberley Beautiful)*

Stephanie Nestlerode presented the proposed update to the Martha Knies Community Park, which would include a landscaped entryway garden, sprinkler system, statue and plaques.

There was discussion among Ms. Nestlerode and Council concerning the design of the garden, sidewalk area and cost of the project.

Motion to approve the design/concept of the entry garden project located at the front of the Martha Knies Park, to include the Keep Wimberley Beautiful sculpture, and for all plans to be permitted appropriately per City ordinances and coordinated with the Wimberley Trails Committee, was made by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bo Bowman. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. Motion was seconded by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

8.1. Approval of minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting held August 20, 2020.

8.2. Approval of the June 2020 Financial Statements for the City of Wimberley.

8.3. Approval of Place Two Council Member Teresa Shell's appointment of Bob Harla to the Transportation Advisory Board.

PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Hold a public hearing and consider approval regarding case CUP-20-005, an application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the installation of a manufactured home on property zoned Rural Residential (R-1) located at 363 Chaparral Dr., Wimberley, Hays County, Texas.

(Applicant, Aimee Lawrence)

City Planner, Jon Thompson, presented the Conditional Use Permit for the installation of a manufactured home. The Planning and Zoning Commission had unanimously voted at their August 27th meeting to recommend approval.

Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, opened the public hearing at 6:31 p.m.

Don Campbell spoke on behalf of his daughter, and applicant, Aimee Lawrence, to request approval of the application by Council.

Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, closed the public hearing at 6:35 p.m.

Motion to approve case CUP-20-005, an application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the installation of a manufactured home on property zoned Rural Residential (R-1) located at 363 Chaparral Dr., Wimberley, Hays County, Texas was made by Council Member Teresa Shell. Motion was seconded by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

PUBLIC HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET

Public Hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget

10.1. Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m.

10.2. There were no citizen comments.

10.3. Mayor, Gina Fulkerson, closed the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

11.1. Discuss and consider possible action to approve Resolution No. 06-2020, adopting the City of Wimberley amended Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Budget.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 06-2020, adopting the City of Wimberley amended Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Budget, was made by Council Member Jim Chiles.

Motion was seconded by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

11.2. Discuss and consider possible action to approve Resolution No. 07-2020, adopting the City of Wimberley Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 07-2020, adopting the City of Wimberley Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 Budget, was made by Council Member Jim Chiles. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bo Bowman. A roll call vote was taken (5-0):

Rebecca Minnick	Aye
Teresa Shell	Aye
Christine Byrne	Aye
Jim Chiles	Aye
Bo Bowman	Aye

11.3. Discuss and consider possible action to accept donations from the Friends of Blue Hole to support park projects, including a Lifejacket Loaner program (\$500), Blue Hole Nature Camp Scholarship program (\$500), and the fall Movies in the Park program (\$1,935) for a total of \$2,935.00. *(Parks Department)*

Parks Operations and Programs Manager, Richard Shaver, presented the Friends of Blue Hole donation information.

Motion to accept donations from the Friends of Blue Hole to support park projects for a total of \$2,935.00 was made by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bo Bowman. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- 11.4. Discuss and consider possible action to support various environmental stewardship initiatives that will be updated to the City website, including the Cats Indoors program from the American Bird Conservancy. *(Parks Maintenance and Natural Resource Manager, Nathan Glaiser)*

Terri Provost spoke in support of cats within the Wimberley community, and was not in favor of promoting the Cats Indoor Program.

Parks Maintenance and Natural Resource Manager, Nathan Glaiser, presented the request to establish an "Environmental Stewardship" page on the City of Wimberley website, which would include oak wilt prevention, riparian management and the Cats Indoors Program. Promoting the Cats Indoors Program from the American Bird Conservancy would assist Wimberley with obtaining a Bird City Texas Certification. There was lengthy discussion among Council regarding keeping cats indoors versus outdoors, as well as the issue of feral cats in the community.

Motion to support the establishment of an "Environmental Stewardship" page on the City of Wimberley website, as presented by the Parks Department, was made by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion was seconded by Council Member Jim Chiles. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- 11.5. Discuss and consider possible action to authorize funding for increased cleaning services at City Hall. *(Mayor, Gina Fulkerson)*

There was lengthy discussion among Council pertaining to the increased cleaning services proposal from Mariposa Cleaning Services, LLC to disinfect and deep clean City Hall.

Mariposa Cleaning Services Owners, Sara and Michael Aragon, advised Council regarding the various disinfection options available and the associated costs with each.

Motion to authorize the expenditure of up to \$2,300 to clean and disinfect City Hall, per the proposal from Mariposa Cleaning Services, LLC, was made by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. Motion was seconded by Council Member Jim Chiles. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

- 11.6. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the status of the Central Wimberley Wastewater Project. *(Project Manager, Craig Fore)*

Project Manager, Craig Fore, provided an overview of the status of the Central Wimberley Wastewater Project, which included construction updates, coordination with state agencies, communication with system users and the Project's schedule. The electrical installation of the lift station had begun, and the force main line from the lift station to the Cypress Creek bridge would be installed as soon as the environmental review was completed by the Texas Water Development Board. There was discussion among Mr. Fore and Council pertaining to the proposed timeline for completion of the Project, as well as coordination with system users in the coming months.

No action was taken on this item.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council adjourned into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m., in accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, for the following purposes:

551.074 (Personnel Matters) City Council will meet to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Administrator Shawn Cox and Section 551.071 (Consultation with Legal Counsel) to seek legal advice on same.

OPEN SESSION

Regular Session reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

Motion to accept the resignation of Shawn Cox and approve the Voluntary Separation and Release Agreement between the City and Shawn Cox, as presented, was made by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. Motion was seconded by Council Member Jim Chiles. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

Motion to appoint Paul Parker as Interim City Administrator, and authorize the Mayor with the assistance of the City Attorney, to reduce an agreement to writing, with a term up to six months, at a cost not to exceed \$80 an hour and an additional car allowance of up to \$500 a month, was made by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bo Bowman. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

14.1. Announcements – None.

14.2. Future agenda items – Council Member, Christine Byrne, noted a conservation grant from the Wimberley Birding Society would be presented at the September 17th City Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. was made by Council Member Bo Bowman. Motion was seconded by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

RECORDED BY:

Laura J. Calcote
Laura J. Calcote, City Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Gina V. Fulkerson
Gina V. Fulkerson, Mayor

