



# City of Dickinson, TX

## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

7:00 PM

4403 Highway 3  
Dickinson, TX 77539

Sean Skipworth, Mayor  
Johnnie Simpson, Jr.  
Scott Shrader  
Walter Wilson

Wally Deats  
Louis Decker  
William H. King III, Mayor Pro  
Tem  
Theo Melancon, City Manager

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced the Regular Meeting on **Tuesday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.** 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas 77539 for the purpose of considering the following numbered items.

### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM**

Mayor Sean Skipworth called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Mayor Skipworth called roll and certified a quorum. Those present were: Mayor Sean Skipworth, Johnnie Simpson, Scott Shrader, Walter Wilson, Wally Deats, Louis Decker, and William King. Also present was City Attorney, and City Manager Theo Melancon.

### **2. INVOCATION**

Pastor Lewis Little gave the invocation.

### **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Sean Skipworth led the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flag.

### **4. PROCLAMATIONS**

No action taken.

### **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Members of the public are invited to give comments at this time, lasting not longer than 3 minutes. Comments may be general in nature or may address a specific agenda item, and should be directed at the entire Council, not individual members of Council or staff. Any speaker making personal

attacks or using vulgar or profane language shall forfeit his/her remaining time and shall be seated. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, The City Council may not deliberate.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Reason for Comment</b>
John Junemann	4901 Bluewater Ln.	Spoke on New Development Impact and issues to the Residents
Brenda Boyce	4719 38 <sup>th</sup> Street	Road signage issues
Mark Ciavaglia	Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP	Presented the Texas Homeowner Assistance Fund Program

## **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Announcements concerning items of community interest. No action will be taken or discussed.**

No action taken.

### **6A. Council Comments**

Council Member William King, thanked everyone present and offered condolences to the Hayes family. Council Member King also recognized the City Manager and the team that helped with the preparation for the Little Italy Italian Festival.

Council Member Johnnie Simpson, Jr., welcomed the Council, City Staff and Guests. Council Member Simpson offered condolences to the family of Rev. Christopher Allen Maxie. He also stated that he attended the Little Italy Festival and expressed it was a fantastic job done. He attended the Houston-Galveston Area Council Board Meeting.

Council Member Shrader, welcomed everyone, no comments.

Council Member Walter Wilson mentioned that the Knights of Columbus is having their Fish Fry every Friday night for the next three weeks.

Council Member Wally Deats, welcomed everyone, no comments.

Council Member Louis Decker also invited everyone to the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry.

Mayor Sean Skipworth welcomed everyone. Mayor Skipworth also recognized everyone who was involved and attended the Little Italy Festival.

No action taken.

- **Council Member King – HGAC Update**

Council Member William King differed this item to Council Member Johnnie Simpson, Jr. to discuss the HGAC meeting that took place on March 15, 2022. Item of discussion was the 1.3 billion dollars' worth for the Hurricane Harvey Funding. A Resolution was approved regarding the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation funds for the Houston-Galveston region. He also stated that Council Member King emailed out a packet. The packet included the Minutes of both the Finance Committee Meeting and the General Board Meeting.

**6B. City Manager Update**

- Infrastructure Update
- Project Statuses
- Community and Economic Development Status
- Community Events

City Manager, Theo Melancon addressed the Council Members on City projects and answered questions and concerns.

No action taken.

**6C. Presentation of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Audited Annual Financial Report and Federal Single Audit Report by Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP. Certified Public Accountants.**

Robert Belt managing partner of Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP, Certified Public Accountants presented the Annual Financial Report. He discussed the issues pertaining to failure to complete a Single Audit Report needed after receiving Federal Grants. He stated that the FY2021 Financial Audit is already late. Mr. Belt reviewed information on the Audit Report and went over the financial highlights. Mr. Belt answered the Mayor and Council Members questions and concerns.

No action taken.

**7. PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING**

No action taken.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed after the consent agenda.

**8A. REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS**

- Finance Report
- DEDC Report

**8B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:**

Approval of Minutes of the Council Regular Meeting of October 12, 2021.

**8C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:**

Approval of Minutes of the Council Regular Meeting of October 26, 2021.

**8D. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:**

Approval of Minutes of the Council Regular Meeting of December 14, 2021.

**8E. Approval of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Audited Annual Financial Report and Federal Single Audit Report prepared by Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP, Certified Public Accountants.**

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Council Member Wilson made a motion to approve consent agenda.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member Simpson seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)

0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**9. ORDINANCES**

**9A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:**

An Ordinance of the City of Dickinson Amending the City of Dickinson, Texas, Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 by Funding Accounts in Budget Due to Unforeseen Situations; Certain Findings and Providing Other Matters Related to the Subject; Providing a Repealer Clause, a Severability Clause, and an Effective Date.

(First Reading)

1<sup>ST</sup> Motion: Council Member Decker made a motion to approve.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member King seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)  
0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**9B. ORDINANCE XXX-2022** – Consideration and Possible Action on an Ordinance of the City of Dickinson concerning a request to amend the official zoning map from Conventional Residential (“CR”) zoning district to a Planned Development (“PD”) zoning district for approx.. 45.762 acres, generally located north of Hughes Road, east of Camp Allen Street, and legally described as 9.444 acres out of Abstract 11 Page 1 Lot A & Part of Lots B thru D (1-1) Interurban Gardens and 36.318 acres out of abstract 11 A Farmer Survey Tract 1-1.

(Second Reading)

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Council Member Deats made a motion to approve in two (2) readings.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member Wilson seconded the motion.

Vote:

6 Ayes (Simpson, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)  
1 Nays (Shrader)

**MOTION PASSED**

**10. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**10A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:**

**Appointment of Planning and Zoning Board Members.**

1<sup>ST</sup> Motion: Council Member Simpson made a motion to nominate Amy Skicki. to the EDC.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member King seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)  
0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**10B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING**

**Meeting Scheduled for April 2022.**

City Manager, Theo Melancon stated first meeting in April (April 12, 2022) is very light and proposed to cancel.

1<sup>ST</sup> Motion: Council Member Shrader made a motion to cancel the April 12, 2022 Council Meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member Wilson seconded the motion.

Council Member Wilson stated he would like to see a list of the nominees seeking positions.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)

0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**10C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING**

Resolution XXX-2022 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dickinson, Texas, Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract Agreement with Flock Safety, Inc. for the Acquisition, Installation, Maintenance and Monitoring of Five (5) Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) Cameras; Authorizing the City Manager to Act as the City’s Representative in All Matters Pertaining to the City’s Participation in the Project; Providing for Incorporation or Preamble; and Providing for an Effective Date.

1<sup>ST</sup> Motion: Council Member Wilson made a motion to approve.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member King seconded the motion.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)

0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**10D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING**

Emancipation National Historic Trail.

Joan Malmrose presented the proposed Emancipation National Historic Trail study. Council Member King also spoke about the Emancipation National Historic Trail landmarks that were founded. Council Member King also briefed on the history of Dunbar Middle School and the St. James Church. Joan Malmrose proposed a committee be formed to designate areas where markers would be placed. Ms. Malmrose expressed interest to join the Emancipation National Historic Trail and thanked Council Member King for the opportunity.

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Council Member King made a motion to approve establishing an Emancipation Trail Committee.

2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Council Member Simpson was seconded.

Vote:

7 Ayes (Simpson, Shrader, Wilson, Deats, Decker, King, Skipworth)

0 Nays

**MOTION PASSED**

**11. ITEMS ADDED AFTER ELECTRONIC AGENDA COMPLETED**

No action taken.

**12. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION(S)**

No action taken.

**13. ACTION ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)**

No action taken.

**14. ADJOURNEMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.**



Sean Skipworth, Mayor

Attest:

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*KeriLyn Basche*

CITY SECRETARY