REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BLANCO

Meeting Minutes July 8, 2025

A regular meeting of the City Council, City of Blanco, Texas was held on July 8, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the Byars Building, 308 Pecan Street, Blanco, Texas.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Cargill, followed by roll call announcing a quorum was present. The Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Mayer, Trinity Lutheran Church of Blanco. The Council members present: Mayor Cargill, Mayor Pro-Tem Moore and Council Members Mack-McClung, Thrailkill, Behrends, and Moses.

City staff present: Warren Escovy, City Administrator, Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary, Jose Martinez, Finance Director, and Lt. Chris Griffin.

Mayor Cargill made the following announcement:

• Boil water notice is in effect

Public Comments:

- Brandon Carlson spoke regarding Christmas lights and is interested in recreating what was done last year as well as work on implementation of a cool tree for next year.
- Jay Palmer spoke regarding his development and the TxDOT bypass route. Passing along information he has heard, two resolutions, outside the city limits and outside the ETJ. He has been told that they are not hearing a unanimous decision from the Council. He asked the Council to reconsider bringing this to a new vote.
- Amy Arnold spoke expressing her concerns regarding the boil water notice that was issued. She also provided the Mayor with a suggested public health and safety alert protocol checklist for use in the future.

Staff Presentations:

- 1. City Hall, Warren Escovy, City Administrator shared information on the boil water notice protocol. He then introduced Danny Maldonado with Inframark who updated the Council on the tank levels, letting them know they are all looking great.
- 2. Police Department, Lt. Christopher Griffin presented the June 2025 monthly report.

Consent Agenda: The following items may be acted upon in one motion. No separate discussion or action is necessary unless requested by the Mayor or a Council Member, in which those items will be pulled for separate consideration.

1. Approval of Minutes from the June 10, 2025, Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Moore to approve consent agenda item one as presented, seconded by Council Member Thrailkill all in favor, motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action on the following:

- 1. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Annual Financial Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2024, by Crowe, LLP. Ben Cohen, Director of Audits, Crowe, LLP presented the audit to the Council. A motion was made by Council Member Moses, to approve the annual financial audit report for fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 by Crowe, LLP, seconded by Council Member Mack-McClung, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action to Adopt/Reaffirm Resolution 2025-R-0xx Civil Rights Policies and Procedures, to include the HUD Section 3, for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Contract GLO Resilient Communities Program Grant #23-160-074-F019 (Langford Community Management Services). A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to approve Resolution 2025-R-0xx Civil Rights Policies and Procedures, to include the HUD Section 3, for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Contract GLO Resilient Communities Program Grant #23-160-074-F019, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Moore, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action to Revise the City's Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan. The current plan was approved under Ordinance 2024-O-006. Jerry Hendricks with SPI presented PowerPoint Presentation and the Council discussed. Council Member Moses said he would like to see a monthly water loss report. No Action Taken.
- 4. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of five Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Warren Escovy, City Administrator introduced John S from SPI shared the Capital Improvement Plan and mentioned that the plan will need to be reviewed and approved at least once per year. The Council discussed. A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to approve the five year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) with addition to improved sewer projects, seconded by Council Member Thrailkill, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action to Reenter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Texas State University, The Meadows Center. The Council discussed. A motion was made by Council Member Thrailkill to Reenter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Texas State University, The Meadows Center, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Moore, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Contract Extension between the City of Blanco and the Harbison's. **Item Tabled, No Action Taken**.
- 7. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action on Approval of Water Service Agreement between the City of Blanco and Blanco RV & Storage LLC. The applicant has asked that this item be tabled at this time, **No Action Taken**.
- 8. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Contract between the City of Blanco and Randall Maltz Auction Services for all surplus City property. The Council discussed it and Tim Tuggey said he has reviewed the contract. A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to approve the contract between the City of Blanco and Randall Maltz Auction Services for all surplus City property, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Moore, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.

- 9. Consideration and Discussion only (No Action) on approval of Ordinance 2025-O-00X Amendment to the TMRS Employee Contribution Rate from 7% to 8% and COLA. The Council Discussed the 8% employee contribution rate as well as COLA options. **No Action Taken**.
- 10. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on cost of a new website design and maintenance. A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to put out an RFP, with Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary's input, seconded by Council Member Thrailkill, all in favor, motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Implementation of new Employee of the Month Recognition Program. Warren Escovy, City Administrator, shared plan and the Council discussed receiving feedback from other employees and the public getting to know the city employees. A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to approve facilitated and defined by the City Administrator, seconded by CM Moore, all in favor, motion carried unanimously. The first award goes to Selina Segovia, our new Utility Billing/Permitting Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action on the following:

1. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action on Certificate of Obligation Series 2024A Update on Use of Funds to include Action on Rock Wall Issue and on the Sewer Lines. All Series 2024A items, including the hydrants, have been completed with the exception of the Rock Wall and the Sewer Lines. City Administrator will provide pictures to the State Architectural Committee and come back to the Council next month with update. **No Action Taken**.

Closed regular meeting 8:22 pm and convened into executive session.

Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code: in accordance with the authority contained in the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074.

- 1. Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct; Consultation with City Attorney regarding Inframark Contract.
- 2. Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct; Consultation with City Attorney regarding Public Safety Update.

Closed executive session at 9:08 pm and convened into regular meeting.:

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Council Member Mack-McClung to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Moore, all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 pm.

Candy Cargill, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laurie Cassidy, TRMC, CMC

City Secretary

These minutes were approved on the \day of \day of \day 05 \day, 202