

**BUDGET WORKSHOP
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF BLANCO**

**Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2024**

A budget workshop of the City Council, City of Blanco, Texas was held on August 15, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the Byars Building, 308 Pecan Street, Blanco, Texas.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Arnold, followed by roll call announcing a quorum was present. Council members present: Mayor Arnold, Mayor Pro-Tem Mack-McClung and Council Members Swinson, Moses, Cargill, and Moore.

City staff present: Warren Escovy, City Administrator, Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary, Dana Bundick, Interim Finance Director, and Chief Jerry Thornhill.

Mayor Arnold had no announcements.

Public Comments:

- B. Ballas, City of Blanco resident spoke regarding the budget, bring attention to budget proposal, diagrams, constant raising of fees puts heavy burden on residents. Please take this into consideration. Balanced budget is important as well.

- Doug Schmoe, City of Blanco resident, spoke regarding his disappointment in the variance process for the variance request at 619 Live Oak. The Planning & Zoning Commission denied the request and then the City Council approved it unanimously. He lives next door at 603 Live Oak. He said he does not understand the process. Permits pending, look at the building code, chapter 9, only 10% accessory buildings allowed, request is 18%. Also made multiple calls and received no call back.

Budget Workshop

1. Budget Discussion Workshop #3– No Action Taken

Poll of Council Members in favor of 1% tax cut and \$20,000 contingency fund:

Moses: yes, Moore: yes, Mack-McClung: yes, Cargill: yes, Swinson: need more time to review.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Council Member Moses to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Cargil, all in favor.

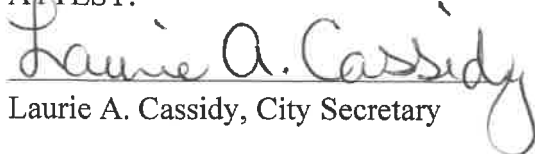
The meeting was adjourned at 6:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST:


Laurie A. Cassidy, City Secretary



These minutes were approved on the 10 day of September, 2024.