

1 Mayor Vini Samuel presiding
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3 **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Samuel at 7:00 p.m.
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5 **FLAG CEREMONY:** Pledge of Allegiance
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7 **ROLL CALL:** Councilman Wood, Councilwoman Cristobal, Councilman Trimble, Councilman Cope,
8 Councilman Bryson and Councilman Skaramuca were all present.
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10 **STAFF PRESENT:** Police Chief Vance, Public Works Director Olden, City Attorney Coker and Deputy Clerk
11 Lillegard were all present.
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13 **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Councilman Trimble presented the bills for checks #53693-#42718 totaling
14 \$222,553.14.
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16 **PAYROLL:** Checks #40864-#40867 totaling \$90,908.50.
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18 Councilman Trimble made a motion to approve the bills as audited with Councilman Wood making a
19 second to the motion.

20 *Motion passed 6-0*
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22 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilman Skaramuca made a motion to accept the minutes of the March
23 12, 2019 meeting with Councilman Bryson making a second. There were no corrections or additions.

24 *Motion passed 6-0*
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26 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
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28 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

29 No committees for the city met outside of Finance. Mayor Samuel did advise neither she nor
30 Councilman Wood were available to attend the Council of Government meeting. Mayor Samuel
31 reported she did however attend the E-911 meeting which showed a trend of a bit lower than normal
32 police calls and the discussion on usage fees has been delayed.
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34 **COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from George Whitehead**

35 Mayor Samuel advised the council they had a copy of this letter in their packets to review. No one had
36 any questions.
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38 **PUBLIC HEARING: Partial Right-of-Way Vacation for Hensley**

39 Mayor Samuel opened the public hearing for this at 7:06:25 p.m. There were no comments or
40 questions.

41 Mayor Samuel closed the hearing at 7:06:53 p.m.
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43 **PRESENTATION: Police Department Annual Report-Chief Brett Vance**
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45 Chief Vance presented his annual report stating the department had approximately 3,837 calls for
46 service which includes traffic stops and 1,029 parking enforcement citations issued. Chief Vance added
47 they had two officers retire last year, purchased a new patrol car and installed several cameras around

48 town; in Fleet Park, at the transit station and downtown. Chief Vance listed all the community events
49 the department is involved in; discussion on speed limit signs; discussion on the location of security
50 cameras, the crimes they have helped solve and future locations.

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52 **OLD BUSINESS:** None

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54 **NEW BUSINESS:** None

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56 **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS: Partial Right-of-Way Vacation for Hensley**

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58 Councilman Wood made a motion to approve Ordinance #1620, an ordinance vacating a certain right-of-
59 way; granting the request upon conditions; providing for the time limits for compliance; and declaring
60 an effective date with Councilman Skaramuca making a second.

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62 A roll call vote was taken:

63 Councilman Wood Aye

64 Councilwoman Cristobal Aye

65 Councilman Trimble Aye

66 Councilman Cope Aye

67 Councilman Bryson Aye

68 Councilman Skaramuca Aye

69 *Motion passed 6-0*

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71 **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

72 Fred Becker, neighbor of George Whitehead wished to address the letter Mr. Whitehead had sent the
73 city. Mr. Becker addressed some discrepancies between some of the statements and the facts; pointed
74 out the wording in Paragraph #5 dealing with non-permanent structures.

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76 **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

77 **Councilman Skaramuca** reminded everyone the planning commission would be here at the April 23rd
78 meeting to make a presentation concerning creating a creative art district.

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80 **Councilman Bryson** had no comments.

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82 **Councilman Cope** had no comments.

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84 **Councilman Trimble** thanked Chief Vance for his report and for the service the police department
85 provides for our city.

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87 **Councilwoman Cristobal** stated that was exactly what she was going to say...adding a ditto.

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89 **Councilman Wood** expressed his wishes that if a councilmember brings something up with questions for
90 more information they not be stifled; reminded folks of the council position vacancy and what the
91 requirements are for applying; addressed Mr. Becker's comments regarding the permissive use
92 agreement as it pertains to emergency vehicle access; thanked Chief Vance for his report, adding he had
93 had concerns about cameras in the city but has changed his mind regarding their value.

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95 **MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

96 Mayor Samuel addressed Mr. Becker and his comments, stating it is the council's responsibility to
97 determine the code or laws of the city but it is the administration's obligation to enforce those laws.
98 She does this by delegating to the appropriate department head, trusting them to enforce those laws. It
99 is important to her there is a fairness to this process.

100 As to the free flow of ideas, council comments are supposed to be just for comments as we want to
101 make sure if there is a discussion, all parties involved in that discussion should be present.

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103 **ADJOURNMENT:**

104 Councilman Trimble made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilwoman
105 Cristobal.

106 *Motion passed 6-0*

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108 Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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110 Kim Lillegard, Deputy Clerk

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112 Recording available.

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