

City of Bellaire

CITY COUNCIL
Monday, October 16, 2023

Council Chamber

Regular Session

7:00 PM

FIRST FLOOR OF CITY HALL
7008 S. RICE AVENUE
BELLAIRE, TX 77401

Agenda

Mayor

Andrew S. Friedberg

Mayor Pro Tem

Winfred C. Frazier

Council Member

Catherine Lewis

Council Member

Ross Gordon

Council Member

Nathan Wesely

Council Member

Brian Witt

Council Member

Jim Hotze

REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

- A. Call to Order - Andrew S. Friedberg, Mayor.**
- B. Announcement of a Quorum - Andrew S. Friedberg, Mayor.**
- C. Inspirational Reading and/or Invocation - Jim Hotze, Council Member.**
- D. Pledges to the Flags - Jim Hotze, Council Member.**

1. U.S. Pledge of Allegiance:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

2. Pledge to the Texas Flag:

Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

E. Personal/Audience Comments.

To address the City Council, please complete a speaker form (located at the entrance to the Council Chamber) and submit it to City Clerk Tracy L. Dutton prior to the time for personal/audience comments. Each speaker shall have a time limit of up to five (5) minutes, with no extension, and with notice after four (4) minutes that one (1) minute is left. In the event of pressing business before the City Council or matters requiring its immediate attention or action, the City Council may, prior to the opening of audience comments, set a different maximum time limit for each speaker by a vote of four (4) members of the City Council.

The purpose of this item is to allow the residents of Bellaire and other interested persons an opportunity to address the City Council on agenda issues and on non-agenda issues that are a matter of the jurisdiction of the City Council (i.e., City policy and legislative issues). Non-agenda issues regarding daily operational or administrative matters should be first dealt with at the administrative level by calling City Hall at (713) 662-8222 during business hours.

[Note: The Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, prohibits the City Council from fully discussing, debating, or considering subjects for which public notice has not been given on the agenda. Issues that cannot be referred to the City Staff for action may be placed on the agenda of a future City Council Session.]

F. Reports and Presentations:

- 1. City Manager's Report to provide information regarding City operations, services, events, and upcoming agenda items - Submitted by Sharon Citino, City Manager.
- 2. Monthly Update Presentation by Ardurra Group Incorporated regarding progress on the City's Regional Drainage Improvement Program - Submitted by Joshua Pascua, Capital Projects and

Grants Manager.

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3. Presentation by Department Directors regarding key projects completed during the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2023, and presentation by the City Manager regarding key projects to be completed during Fiscal Year 2024 to advance work on the City's strategic goals - Submitted by Sharon Citino, City Manager.

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G. New Business.

1. Consent Agenda.

Items set out in the consent agenda are considered routine and are recommended for approval by the passage of a single motion, without discussion or debate, that the consent agenda be adopted. Upon request of any member of City Council, items shall be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

a. Approval of Minutes:

Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of the minutes of the Regular Sessions of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, held on Monday, September 18, 2023, and on Monday, October 2, 2023, and of the Joint Special Session of the City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission held on Thursday, September 28, 2023 - Submitted by Tracy L. Dutton, City Clerk.

[City Council - Sep 18 2023 - Minutes](#)

[City Council - Oct 02 2023 - Minutes](#)

[City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission - Sep 28 2023 - Minutes](#)

b. Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions:

- i. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Contract with Paypoint HR, LLC for the purpose of performing a compensation study and classification study in an amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 - Submitted by Melanie Glaze, Director of Human Resources.

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- ii. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documentation associated with the purchase of sulfur dioxide and chlorine gas from DXI Industries, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 - Submitted by Mark Velasquez, Director of Public Works.

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- iii. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute any and all documentation with Branch Construction Group LLC for on-call water and wastewater utility repair services in an amount not to exceed \$195,000.00 - Submitted by Mark Velasquez, Director of Public Works.

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2. Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions.

- a. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, authorizing the reclassification of four Communications Officers to Lead Communications Officers within the Bellaire Police Department as funded in the FY 2024 budget - Submitted by Onesimo Lopez, Chief of Police.

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- b. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, amending *Chapter 22, Offenses – Miscellaneous, Article I, In General*, of the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Bellaire, Texas*, by adding a new *Section 22-30, Lighting*, for the purpose of regulating lighting within the City - Submitted by Travis Tanner, Director of Development Services.

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- c. Consideration of and possible action on the adoption of a resolution of the City Council of the City of Bellaire, Texas, designating a Representative and Official Alternate to the General Assembly of the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the year 2024 - Submitted by Tracy L. Dutton, City Clerk, on behalf of the Houston-Galveston Area Council.

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H. Community Interest Items from the Mayor and Council.

It is the intent of this item to provide members of the City Council the opportunity to make a report about items of community interest, which may include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognition of City officials, employees, or other citizens or entities; reminders of upcoming events sponsored by the City or another entity that is scheduled to be attended by a City official or City employee; and announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in Bellaire that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

No action may be taken on a reported item of community interest, and no possible action discussed except a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

See Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Section 551.0415.

I. Adjourn.