



CIVILITY PLEDGE

The way we govern ourselves is often as important as the positions we take. Our collective decisions will be better when differing views have had the opportunity to be fully vetted and considered. All people have the right to be treated with respect, courtesy and openness. We value all input. We commit to conduct ourselves at all times with civility and courtesy to each other.

ALAN HALLMAN
MAYOR

MIKE RAST
ALDERMAN AT LARGE

BRETT REICHERT
COUNCILMAN AT
LARGE

MARK ADAMS
COUNCILMAN WARD I

CHLOE ALEXANDER
COUNCILMAN WARD II

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

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August 6, 2024 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** by Mayor Hallman at 6:05 PM
2. **ROLL CALL:** All members of the Council were present, which constituted a quorum.
 - ☒ Alan Hallman
 - ☒ Mike Rast
 - ☒ Brett Reichert
 - ☒ Mark Adams
 - ☒ Chloe Alexander
3. **WELCOME:** Mayor Hallman welcomed all to the August 6th Meeting.
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of allegiance was recited in unison.
5. **INVOCATION:** Given by Mayor Hallman.
6. **PRESENTATIONS:** There were no presentation items at this meeting.
7. **PUBLIC HEARING:** There were no public hearing items at this meeting.
8. **QUESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** There were questions on agenda items at this meeting.
9. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - 9.I. Consideration and Action to Approve July 16th Council Meeting minutes.
 - 9.II. Consideration and Action to Approve July 16th Executive Session Meeting minutes.

MOTION: Councilman Adams motioned to approve the consent agenda; Councilman Alexander provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**
10. **OLD BUSINESS:** There were no old business items at this meeting.
11. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - 11.I. Consideration and Action to adopt a Model Finding Resolution for future amendments to the Metro Water District Water Efficiency Code. **Resolution 2024-05**

MOTION: Alderman Rast motioned to approve the adoption of a Model Finding Resolution for future amendments to the Metro Water District Water Efficiency Code (**Resolution 2024-05**); Councilman Alexander provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**
 - 11.II. Consideration and Action to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with St. John the Evangelist Catholic School to allow for the emergency evacuation of school facilities to the Hoyt Smith Recreation Center.

MOTION: Councilman Adams motioned to approve entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with St. John the Evangelist Catholic School to allow for the

emergency evacuation of school facilities to the Hoyt Smith Recreation Center; Councilman Alexander provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

11.III. Consideration and Action to Approve Financial Services Consultant.

MOTION: Councilman Reichert motioned to approve the Financial Services Consultant agreement; Councilman Adams provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

11.IV. Preliminary Discussion on the 2024 – 25 Budget.

DISCUSSION: Finance Director Randy Brewer led the discussion on the preliminary 2024-2025 budget. Mr. Brewer explained that projected revenues are estimated to be around \$18.3 million, based on a millage rate of 17.2. While the budget is still being finalized and discussions with department heads are ongoing, the current projection places total expenditures at \$17.5 million, leaving a surplus of approximately \$805,000.

Mr. Brewer emphasized the importance of building the city's fund balance, noting that the city has been using its fund balance in past years. To manage city operations effectively, there will be a need to start replenishing the fund balance, and increasing the millage rate to 17.2 is considered a good first step toward achieving this goal. He acknowledged that there are several capital projects and other expectations that will need to be addressed.

The proposed increase in the millage rate to 17.209 is aimed at supporting general fund operations and improving the financial stability of the city. Mr. Brewer noted that as more residents move into the area and property values rise, the digest will naturally increase, further contributing to the city's financial growth. However, the immediate focus is on increasing the millage rate to strengthen the fund balance.

DISCUSSION ITEM ONLY- There was no action taken for this item.

12. **CITY MANAGER REPORTS:** The meeting did not include a City Manager Report.

13. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. Carol Cahill
2. Jonathan Foulk
3. Dana Homles
4. Anonymous

14. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilman Reichert followed up on the discussion about Delta by stating that, while this may not significantly impact the overall situation, there are other direct flights available to destinations such as Seattle and various other locations, which he has used recently.

Councilman Adams expressed his gratitude to everyone for attending and participating in their local government. He had no additional comments.

Alderman Rast had no further comment.

Councilman Alexander thanked everyone for attending and expressed gratitude for the ability to have conversations while remaining civil.

Mayor Hallman wished everyone a wonderful night and thanked them for coming out and being a part of their local government. He concluded with a message of gratitude, saying, "Thank you. God bless you all."

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** No executive session took place during this meeting.

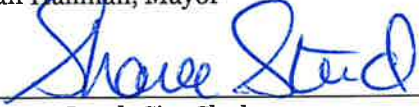
16. **ADJOURN:**

MOTION: Councilman Adams motioned to adjourn at 7:03 PM; Councilman Alexander provided a second. **The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan Hallman', written over a horizontal line.

Alan Hallman, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sharee Steed', written over a horizontal line.

Sharee Steed, City Clerk