

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS  
MARCH 9, 2023**

A regular Council Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas was held on the 9th day of March, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall, 200 East Main St., Hamilton, Texas.

The City Council meeting was open to the public. To allow for remote participation, people could view and listen to the meeting live via Zoom or Facebook. Citizens could also provide a citizen's presentation and address the council via Zoom connection. Instructions were given during the meeting about how to address the Council. Citizens could sign in prior to the meeting date from their computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://tinyurl.com/m4vbpwev>

Present for the meeting:

Mayor Rodney Craddick	City Attorney Connie White
Mayor Pro Tem Todd Jordan	Council Member George Beard
City Administrator Ryan Polster	Council Member Richard Buchanan
City Secretary Brooke Tomlinson	Council Member Gary Haggard

Absent: Council Member Doug Baker

Others present: Chief of Police Brad Boulton, Hamilton Economic Development Jamie Laduke, Hamilton Historic Mainstreet Kayla Schraub, Public Utilities Director Jeffrey Donahoo, Lawrence Jonap, Darrel Phillips, Brandon Alcala, Ricci Coan, Rochel Blakemore, Renee French, Kathleen Anglin, Library Director Nancy Diaz, Danna Hurot, Valerie Krehmeier, Karen Krueger

**Item No. I:** Mayor Craddick opened the meeting with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

**Item No. II:** Public Comments. None.

**Item No. III:** The following agenda deliberations were discussed and/or action taken:

1. Jordan made a Motion to approve the February 9th Regular Council Meeting Minutes and February 21 Called Council Meeting Minutes. The Motion was seconded by Buchanan and passed unanimously.
2. Buchanan made a Motion to approve the February 2023 Financial Report. The Motion was seconded by Jordan and passed unanimously.
3. Danny Watson presented the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department report. No action was taken.
4. Ordinance #02-23, Approving a Franchise Agreement between the City of Hamilton and ATMOS Energy Corporation, presented by Rochel Blakemore, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.

5. Library Director Nancy Diaz presented the Hamilton Public Library Financial Report and related reports. No action was taken.
6. Resolution #17-23, Approving a budget and consideration of finance options for construction of hangars and associate pavement at the Hamilton Municipal Airport, passed with a 3/1 vote, Beard opposing. The Motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Haggard.
7. Resolution #18-23, Suspending for 45 days the effective date proposed by Atmos Energy Corporation – MidTex Division (Atmos-MidTex) in its application filed on or about February 24, 2023 pursuant to section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act, sometimes also referred to as the “GRIP” statute, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Beard.
8. Historic Mainstreet Director Kayla Schraub presented the Quarterly Update. No action was taken.
9. Approving a Right-of-Entry agreement between the Hamilton Economic Development Corporation and the City of Hamilton, Texas to conduct a Section 501.103 improvement project located in the alley between E. Henry St., N Railroad Ave., E. Main St., and N Bell St. and authorize the President to execute the agreement on behalf of the corporation, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Beard.
10. Resolution #19-23, Approving the Hamilton Economic Development Corporation’s Street, Site and Related Infrastructure Improvement Project (first of two readings) passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Jordan.
11. Resolution #20-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as downtown signage, awning and façade improvements to Hamilton Printing (first of two readings), passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Buchanan.
12. Resolution #21-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as commercial building improvements to Hamilton Printing (first of two readings), passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Buchanan.
13. Resolution #22-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as downtown signage, awning and façade improvements to Heritage Place 1888 (first of two readings), passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Beard.
14. Resolution #23-23, Authorizing a road closure time extension for a vendor festival through the Chamber of Commerce on a portion of N. Bell St. and E. Henry St. around the Courthouse, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Buchanan.
15. Reviewing and providing feedback on the Advanced Draft of the Street Maintenance and Improvement Plan. No action was taken.

16. Ordinance #03-23, Amending Chapter 38 Article III, Section 38-61 where it pertains to Creation; Members; Terms, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard a second from Jordan.
17. Ordinance #04-23, Amending Chapter 34 Article I, Section 34-10 Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.
18. Advertising and receiving bids for Surplus Property, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.
19. Resolution #24-23, Certifying candidates for the May 6, 2023 Election as Unopposed and Cancel the Municipal Election, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Buchanan.
20. Resolution #25-23, Appointing Charles Buenger as Associate Municipal Judge, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Beard.

Ryan Polster presented the City Administrator's Report.

Mayor Craddick presented the Community Center Report.

Chief Boulton presented the February 2023 Police Report.

Polster presented the February 2023 Hamilton Household Hazardous Waste event results.

Polster discussed using City owned IPADs for the council packets.

Polster discussed metal recycling.

Polster presented project updates.

**Item No. IV:** Future Agenda Items.

Jordan stated that security cameras are needed at Hamilton Fair Park. Haggard stated that homelessness needed to be discussed further.

**Item No. V:** Mayor Craddick adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.

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Rodney Craddick, Mayor

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Brooke Tomlinson, City Secretary