

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS  
APRIL 6, 2023**

A regular Council Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas was held on the 6th day of April, 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/2dt5tjvx>

Present for the meeting:

Mayor Rodney Craddick	Council Member Doug Baker
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
City Attorney Connie White	

Others present: Hamilton Sergeant Keith Volk, Hamilton Economic Development Jamie Laduke, Public Utilities Director Jeffrey Donahoo, Joseph Polster, Heather August, Hamilton Fire Chief Danny Watson, Rena Sliger, Nancy Yates, Dena McGregor, Vicki Beard

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

**Item No. II:** Public Comments.

Nancy Yates spoke, expressing her concern about the Hamilton Economic Development Corporation's Street, Site and Related Infrastructure Improvement Project regarding the renovation of the parking lot to the west of N Railroad St (Agenda Item #9).

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

1. Beard made a Motion to approve the March 9th Regular Council Meeting Minutes. The Motion was seconded by Buchanan and passed unanimously.
2. Jordan made a Motion to approve the March 2023 Financial Report. The Motion was seconded by Baker and passed unanimously.
3. Danny Watson presented the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department report and included the March 2023 Incident List. No action was taken.
4. Approving the Hamilton Jr Livestock Association to tear down and rebuild the steer barn (location: North of the Jayson Harris Pavilion and East of the Pete and Polly Jenkins

Wing), presented by Rena Sliger, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.

5. Ordinance #05-23, Approving hangar rates at the Hamilton Municipal Airport, passed unanimously with a Motion from Beard and a second from Baker.
6. Resolution #26-23, Authorizing the Appointment of Paul Stiles to the City of Hamilton Airport Advisory Board, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Buchanan.
7. Resolution #27-23, Authorizing the temporary road closure time extension for an Earth Day Vendor Festival through the Pecan Creek Outfitters on a portion of E Henry St., passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Beard.
8. A Resolution Nominating a candidate to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Central Appraisal District. There were no recommendations- no action taken.
9. Approving the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation's Street, Site and Related Infrastructure Improvement Project in the city of Hamilton, Texas, as provided by Texas Local Government Code Section 501.103, Approving expenditures estimated at \$300,000 on and adjacent to corporate owned property, Approving and Authorizing the execution of a Right of Entry Agreement and related matters (second of two readings), presented by Jamie Laduke. Jordan made a Motion to Table this item with a second from Haggard. Haggard withdrew his second. Jordan reinstated his Motion to "Table the item, period". Haggard seconded the Motion again, and it passed unanimously.
10. Resolution #28-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as downtown signage, awning, and façade improvements to Hamilton Printing (second of two readings) presented by Jamie Laduke, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Beard.
11. Resolution #29-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as commercial building improvements to Hamilton Printing (second of two readings) presented by Jamie Laduke, passed unanimously with a Motion from Beard and a second from Buchanan.
12. Resolution #30-23, Authorizing the City of Hamilton Economic Development Corporation to expend funds as downtown signage, awning and façade improvements to Heritage Place 1888 (second of two readings) presented by Jamie Laduke, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.
13. Approving the Hamilton EDC to reimburse the Grain Draffhouse & Eatery in the amount of \$2,890 for the purpose of marketing the Tacos and Tequila event on May 5, 2023 presented by Jamie Laduke, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Baker.
14. Approving the Hamilton EDC to spend a total of \$8,055 of the \$24,000 marketing budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to market the city of Hamilton in local and nationwide economic development industry related marketing publications, websites, articles, and

radio stations presented by Jamie Laduke, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Baker.

15. Approving the Hamilton EDC to spend \$7,616.06 of their Community Improvement Projects budget to assist the city of Hamilton with the Disc Golf Course Project presented by Jamie Laduke and Joseph Polster, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Baker.
16. Resolution #31-23, Authorizing the Appointment of Heather August to the Hamilton Economic Development Board of Directors, completing a two-year term from June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2024, (Ms. August will be completing Mark Tynes' term on the board) passed unanimously with a Motion from Buchanan a second from Jordan.

Ryan Polster presented the City Administrator's Report.

- Mayor Craddick presented the March 2023 Community Center Report.
- Sergeant Volk presented the March 2023 Police Report.
- Polster presented project updates.

**Item No. IV:** Future Agenda Items. None.

**Item No. V:** At 7 :17 p.m. the City Council convened into Executive Session in accordance with the following provision of the Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters; City Administrator Annual Evaluation.

**Item No. VI:** At 8:03 p.m. City Council reconvened into Open Session.

17. Jordan made a Motion to extend Ryan Polster's contract one year and give a three percent raise. The Motion was seconded by Baker and passed unanimously.

**Item No. VII:** Mayor Craddick adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m. with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Jordan.

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Rodney Craddick, Mayor

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Brooke Tomlinson, City Secretary