

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**KERRVILLE, TEXAS
JANUARY 14, 2025 6:00 PM**

On January 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM, Mayor Joe Herring, Jr. called the Kerrville City Council meeting to order in City Hall Council Chambers, 701 Main Street, Kerrville, Texas. Councilmember Brenda Hughes provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Joe Herring, Jr
Councilmember Delayne Sigerman
Councilmember Jeff Harris
Councilmember Kent McKinney
Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda Hughes

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

None

CITY EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Dalton Rice, City Manager
Mike Hayes, City Attorney
Michael Hornes, Asst City Manager
Kim Meisner, Asst City Manager
Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary
Julie Behrens, Director of Finance

Jacob Bogusch, Finance Compliance
Janelle Chapman, Procurement Coord
Stuart Cunyus, Public Information Officer
Chris McCall, Police Chief
Drew Paxton, Director of Planning

VISITORS PRESENT: A list of the citizen speakers present during the meeting is on file in the City Secretary's Office for the required retention period.

Karen Guerriero, Board President Kerrville Pets Alive!

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST:

Mayor Herring, Stuart Cunyus, and Councilmember Jeff Harris provided information and public announcements.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.A Commendation of Recognition: Termed Board members.

Mayor Herring presented commendations of recognition to members serving on City Boards: Marilyne Cizmich and Diana Howard were present, and Wendy Massey Christine Klima were unable to attend.

2.B Kerrville Pets Alive! Update.

Karen Guerriero provided information and responded to questions.

3. VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:

The following person(s) spoke:

Brent Bates
Katy Kappel
George Baroody

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Herring requested to pull item 4A. Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 4B and 4C, seconded by Councilmember Kent McKinney. The motion passed 5-0.

4.B City Council workshop minutes December 10, 2024.

4.C City Council meeting minutes December 10, 2024.

4.A Resolution No. 03-2025. A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$53,250.00 in grant funding from the Office of the Governor and its Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for funding to purchase a motorcycle for the Kerrville Police Department.

Chief McCall provided information and responded to questions.

Councilmember Hughes motioned to approve Resolution No. 03-2025 and authorize the acceptance of funding through the Office of the Governor from The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program to be utilized to purchase a fully equipped Police Motorcycle, seconded by Councilmember McKinney. The motion passed 4-1, with Councilmember Delayne Sigerman, Mayor Herring, Councilmember McKinney, and Councilmember Hughes voting in favor, and Councilmember Harris opposed.

5. **ORDINANCES, FIRST READING:**

5.A Ordinance No. 2025-01. An Ordinance amending Chapter 46 "Environment" of the City's Code of Ordinances by adding a new Article II "Tree Preservation", which adopts regulations for the preservation of trees; providing for penalties not to exceed \$2000.00; ordering publication; providing an effective date; and providing other matters related to the subject.

Shelley McElhannon read Ordinance No. 2025-01 caption into record.

Drew Paxton provided information and responded to questions.

The following person(s) spoke:

Bill Rector

Dalton Rice provided clarification.

Councilmember Sigerman made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2025-01 on first reading, to include the comments made by Councilmember Hughes in the edited version of unplatted lots or acre or less, seconded by Councilmember Hughes. The motion passed 4-1 with Councilmember Sigerman, Councilmember Harris, Mayor Herring, and Councilmember Hughes voting in favor, and Councilmember McKinney opposed.

5.B Ordinance No. 2025-02. An Ordinance amending Chapter 94 "Taxation", Article III "Occupancy", of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Kerrville, Texas, by amending various sections relating to the imposition of a Hotel Occupancy Tax; by revising the definition of "Consideration" to clarify what costs are subject to the tax and to clarify the process for reports and audits; containing a cumulative clause; containing a savings and severability clause; ordering publication; and providing other matters relating to the subject.

Shelley McElhannon read Ordinance No. 2025-02 caption into record.
Jacob Bogusch provided information and responded to questions.

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2025-02 on first reading, seconded by Councilmember McKinney. The motion passed 5-0.

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- 6.A Resolution No. 01-2025. A Resolution pursuant to Section 2306.67071, Texas Government Code, with respect to tax-exempt bond applications for housing tax credits; and finding no objection from City Council as to the applicant (Envolve Communities, LLC), its application(s), or the developments, which are known as Heritage Oaks Apartments, the Meadows Apartments, and Paseo de Paz.

Michael Hornes provided information and responded to questions.

Mayor Herring opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

No person(s) spoke.

Mayor Herring closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Councilmember Harris made a motion to approve Resolution No. 01-2025, seconded by Councilmember Hughes. The motion passed 5-0.

7. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

- 7.A Resolution No. 02-2025. A Resolution pursuant to 10 Texas Administrative Code, Section 11.3(c), with respect to tax-exempt bond applications for housing tax credits; finding that the City of Kerrville, Texas has more than twice the State average of units per capita supported by housing tax credits.

Michael Hornes provided information and responded to questions.

Councilmember McKinney made a motion to approve Resolution No. 02-2025, seconded by Councilmember Harris. The motion passed 5-0.

8. **BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

- 8.A Appointment to the Food Service Advisory Board.

Councilmember Sigerman made a motion to reappoint this member under the name of Laura Dittmar (to reflect the correct name as Rebecca Dittmar), seconded by Councilmember McKinney. The motion passed 5-0.

- 8.B Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. (Eligible for Executive Session).

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to appoint Jency Carson as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, seconded by Mayor Herring. The motion passed 5-0.

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Executive Session was not called nor convened.

10. **ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF ANY.** N/A

11. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

Mayor Herring: Water Issues will be discussed in the future.

Councilmember McKinney: Housing issue will be discussed in the future.

ADJOURN. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: JANUARY 28, 2025

APPROVED:

Joe Herring Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary