

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**March 4, 2021 9:00 AM**

**JOINT SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE KERRVILLE CITY COUNCIL AND  
KERRVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
KERRVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD BUILDING, 1250 MEMORIAL BLVD,  
KERRVILLE, TEXAS**

**CALL TO ORDER:** On March 4, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., the Kerrville City Council special-called meeting was called to order by Mayor Bill Blackburn at the Kerrville Public Utility Board building, 1250 Memorial Blvd; and Kerrville Public Utility Board of Trustees Chairman Bill Thomas called the Kerrville Public Utility Board of Trustees special-called meeting to order. The invocation was provided by Mayor Blackburn, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Thomas.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bill Blackburn	Mayor
Kim Clarkson	Mayor Pro Tem, Councilmember Place 2 (arrived at 9:17 a.m.)
Gary Cochrane	Councilmember Place 1
Judy Eychner	Councilmember Place 3
Brenda Hughes	Councilmember Place 4

**COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT:** N/A

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:**

E.A. Hoppe	Deputy City Manager
Amy Dozier	Chief Financial Officer
Shelley McElhannon	City Secretary

**KERRVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Mayor Bill Blackburn
Bill Thomas, Chair
Philip Stacy
Mark Cowden
Larry Howard

**KERRVILLE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

Mike Wittler	Chief Executive Officer
Jill Sadberry	Chief Financial Officer
Lidia Goldthorn	Executive Assistant

Mike Wittler acknowledged a caller on the Webex Conference: Carolyn Tuttle, 313 Jackson Road.

Mayor Blackburn read two motions into record in order to go into Executive Session: (1) In accordance with Texas Statutes Subchapter D, Chapter 551, Government Code Section 551.071, the Kerrville City Council and Kerrville Public Utility Board will recess for the purpose of "Consultation with Attorney" regarding the following matter: A. Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation – Mike Wittler, KPUB CEO; and (2) In accordance with Texas Statutes Subchapter D, chapter 551,

Government Code Section 551.086, the Kerrville City Council and Kerrville Public Utility Board will recess to discuss the following “Competitive Matters”: A. Bidding and pricing information for purchased power, general and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies; Risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage; (1) Discussion on hedging activities and risk management policy – Mike Wittler, KPBU CEO. Councilmember Gary Cochrane so moved, and Councilmember Judy Eychner seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Blackburn recessed the special-called meeting at 9:06 a.m. and convened in closed executive session.

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## **2. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

*City Council may adjourn into executive (closed) session at any time to discuss any matter listed above including if they meet the qualifications in Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), 551.073 (deliberations regarding gifts), 551.074 (personnel/officers), 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices), and 551.087 (business prospect/economic development) of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.*

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Councilmember Kim Clarkson joined the meeting and sat on City Council at 9:17 a.m.

The closed executive session adjourned, City Council returned to open session at 11:07 a.m.

**3. ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION IF ANY:**

No action was taken in executive session.

**ADJOURN.**

The City Council special-called meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: 3/09/2021

APPROVED:



Bill Blackburn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary