

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING**

**KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
AUGUST 08, 2023 6:00 PM**

On August 08, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., Mayor Judy Eychner called the Kerrville City Council meeting to order in City Hall Council Chambers, 701 Main Street. Councilmember Joe Herring, Jr. provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Judy Eychner, Mayor  
Roman Garcia, Councilmember Place 1  
Jeff Harris, Councilmember Place 2  
Joe Herring, Jr., Councilmember Place 3  
Brenda Hughes, Councilmember Place 4

**COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT:**

None

**CITY EXECUTIVE STAFF:**

Kim Meismser, Interim City Manager  
Mike Hayes, City Attorney  
Michael Hornes, Asst City Manager  
Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary  
Stuart Barron, Exec Director PW & Eng  
Julie Behrens, Director Finance  
Jacob Bogusch, Finance Compliance  
Ashlea Boyle, Director Parks & Rec

Kyle Burow, Director Engineering  
Stuart Cunyus, Public Information Officer  
Guillermo Garcia, Exec Director Innovation  
Eric Maloney, Fire Chief  
Chris McCall, Police Chief  
Drew Paxton, Director of Planning/Zoning  
Trina Rodriguez, Asst Director Finance  
Charvy Tork, Director IT

**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.

**1. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST:**

Announcements of Community Interest provided by Stuart Cunyus.

**2. PRESENTATION(S):**

2A. Life Saving Award Presentation – Sergeant Daniel Haas.

Police Chief Chris McCall presented Sergeant Daniel Haas with the Life Saving Award.

**3. VISITORS FORUM:**

The following person(s) spoke:

- Kim Keller
- Julee Reeves
- Charles Laird
- Doug Brown
- Nikki Caines
- Peggy McKay

Mayor Eychner clarified points regarding tree preservation.

Interim City Manager Kim Meismser clarified points regarding Library issues.

Mayor Eychner and Councilmember Herring clarified points regarding Library issues.

At 6:25 p.m., Councilmember Roman Garcia declared "Point of Order" citing other Councilmember(s) speak when he is speaking.

At 6:25 p.m., Councilmember Herring declared "Point of Order" citing Councilmember(s) being rude to the Mayor.

Mayor Eychner advised City Council to proceed forward to the next item.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilmember Garcia made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilmember Jeff Harris. The motion passed 5-0.

4A. City Council workshop minutes, July 25, 2023.

4B. City of Kerrville Employee Benefit Trust meeting minutes, July 25, 2023.

4C. City Council meeting minutes, July 25, 2023.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

**5. PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDINANCES, FIRST READING:**

5A. Ordinance No. 2023-12. An Ordinance amending Chapter 60 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Kerrville, Texas, such chapter more commonly known as the City's Zoning Code; amending said code to revise regulations regarding the permitted location of accessory buildings and structures within the front setback, as applicable to fences; and providing other matters relating to the subject.

Shelley McElhannon read Ordinance No. 2023-12 caption into record.

Drew Paxton provided information and responded to questions.

Mayor Eychner opened the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.

No person(s) spoke.

Mayor Eychner closed the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2023-12 on first reading, seconded by Councilmember Herring. The motion passed 5-0.

**6. ORDINANCES, SECOND READING:**

6A. Ordinance No. 2023-23, second reading. An Ordinance amending Chapter 26 "Buildings and Building Regulations", Article IX "Building Board of Adjustment and Appeals" of the Code of Ordinances, City of Kerrville, Texas; by amending requirements applicable to alternate members, making consistent the number of board members, amending the meeting schedule, and revising the requirement for a quorum; containing a cumulative clause; containing a savings and severability clause; establishing an effective date; and providing other matters related to the subject.

Shelley McElhannon read Ordinance No. 2023-23 caption into record.

Councilmember Garcia made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2023-23, seconded by Councilmember Harris. The motion passed 5-0.

**7. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION:**

7A. Presentation of Fiscal Year 2024 Official Proposed Budget.

Julie Behrens, Guillermo Garcia, Trina Rodriguez, Michael Hornes, and Kyle Burow provided information and responded to questions.

The following person(s) spoke:

- Peggy McKay

**8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

8A. Resolution No. 25-2023. A Resolution setting forth the Ad Valorem (property) tax rate to be considered for adoption for the 2023 tax year; said rate to be \$0.5595 per \$100 of assessed value; and calling a public hearing prior to the adoption of the tax rate and the Fiscal Year 2024 budget.

Shelley McElhannon read Resolution No. 25-2023 caption into record.

Councilmember Hughes made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 25-2023, seconded by Councilmember Herring. The motion passed 5-0.

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

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

11. **ITEM(S) FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:**

- Mayor Eychner – requested to review the Tree Ordinance, and review of the City Charter, seconded by Councilmember Herring. The motion passed 5-0.
- Councilmember Garcia – requested to prioritize the pending items on the City Council pending agenda list and begin assigning dates.

**ADJOURN.** The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: 8/22/23

APPROVED:



Judy Eychner, Mayor



Shelley McElhannon, City Secretary

ATTEST: