

**BUDGET WORKSHOP
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF BLANCO**

**Meeting Minutes
August 26, 2024**

A budget workshop of the City Council, City of Blanco, Texas was held on August 26, 2024, at 5:00 pm at the Byars Building, 308 Pecan Street, Blanco, Texas.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Arnold, followed by roll call announcing a quorum was present. Council members present: Mayor Arnold, Mayor Pro-Tem Mack-McClung and Council Members Moses, Cargill, and Moore. Council Member Swinson was absent.

City staff present: Warren Escovy, City Administrator, Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary, Dana Bundick, Interim Finance Director, and Chief Jerry Thornhill.

Mayor Arnold made the following announcements:

- There is an award being offered to the person who submits information leading to the punishment of the person or persons responsible for shooting the ducks on River Run
- Large Hackberry tree fell on City Hall park restrooms, trees have been cut down.

Public Comments:

- Ken Welch, Blanco County resident, spoke regarding discussion item from the Water Workshop. Possible \$5,000 maintenance fee charged to the city, has this been incorporated into the proposed budget? Secondly, over the weekend call was made to the police department, and they were told there was no one on duty to respond to the call.

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1. Budget Discussion Workshop #4– No Action Taken

Poll of Council Members in favor of 1) Zero percent increase (would cut 2 staff members), 2) Voter-Approval Rate of 0.4180, or 3) Rate in-between the NNR and VAR: \$0.3978 and \$20,000 contingency fund:

Moses: Abstained, Moore: #3, Mack-McClung: #3, Cargill: #3, Swinson: Absent

Closed regular meeting and convened into executive session at 5:33 PM

Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code: in accordance with the authority contained in the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074.

1. Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the evaluation or duties of certain public employees.

Closed executive session and convened into regular session at 6:25 pm.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mack-McClung to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Moore, all in favor.

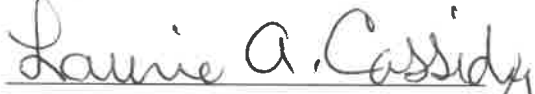
The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST:



Laurie A. Cassidy, City Secretary

These minutes were approved on the 10 day of September, 2024.

