

**AGENDA**  
**CITY OF WHARTON**  
**City Council Meeting, City Hall**  
**7:00 p.m., Monday, March 24, 2008**

1. **Call to Order – Opening Devotion – Pledge of Allegiance.**
2. **Roll Call and Excused Absences.**
3. **Public Comments.**
4. **Wharton Moment.**
5. **Proclamation:** Reading of the Mayoral Proclamation proclaiming April 2008 as Fair Housing Month.
6. **Review & Consider:** City of Wharton Financial Report for the month of February 2008.
7. **Review & Consider:** City of Wharton Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007 by Harrison, Waldrop & Uherek, L.L.P.
8. **Executive Session:** City Council may adjourn into an Executive Session in accordance with Section 551.074 of the Government Code, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas. Final action, decision or vote, if any with regard to any matter considered in Executive Session shall be made in Open Meeting:
  - A. **Discussion:** The evaluation of City Manager and Finance Director regarding the City’s financial matters.
  - B. **Discussion:** Appointment of City of Wharton Public Works Director.
9. **Return to Open Session:** Action on items discussed in Executive Session:
  - A. **Review & Consider:** The evaluation of City Manager and Finance Director regarding the City’s financial matters.
  - B. **Review & Consider:** Appointment of City of Wharton Public Works Director.
10. **Review & Consider:** CenterPoint Energy:
  - A. Statement of Intent to Increase Natural Gas Rates for CenterPoint’s Texas Coast Division.
  - B. Coalition of Texas Cities.

C. **Resolution:** A resolution of the City of Wharton, Texas, (“City”) to authorize the suspension of the effective date of the rates and tariffs of CenterPoint Energy Entex (“CenterPoint”) for ninety days with regard to the Statement of Intent filed with the City of March 6, 2008; Requiring Centerpoint to reimburse reasonable rate case expenses; Authorizing a City Representative to join a coalition of cities to act on the City’s behalf; Finding that the meeting complies with the Open Meetings Act; Making such other findings and provisions related to the subject; and declaring an effective date for the resolution.

11. **Review & Consider:** Planning Commission recommendation to City Council regarding the request by Ms. Tylene Gamble, Chief Appraiser for the Wharton County Appraisal District for a preliminary/final replat of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Out Lot 17, and a portion of Out Lot 18, Wharton.

12. **Review & Consider:** **Ordinance:** An ordinance amending the City of Wharton Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Building and Construction, Article V. Electrical Code; Providing that a violation of the ordinance or any part of the Code as adopted hereby shall constitute a penalty upon conviction of a fine, Providing for separability; and setting an effective date.

13. **Review & Consider:** Wharton Fire Department Renovation Project, 319 North Fulton, Street:

A. Exterior Renovation Project:

1. Bid Tabulation.

2. **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council awarding the bid for the exterior renovation of the Wharton Fire Department located at 319 North Fulton Street, Wharton, Texas, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

B. Interior Renovation Project:

1. Bid Tabulation.

2. **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council awarding the bid for the interior renovation of the Wharton Fire Department located at 319 North Fulton Street, Wharton, Texas, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

- 14. Review & Consider:** City of Wharton – Wharton Regional Airport – Terminal Building Project:
- A. Bid Tabulation.
  - B. **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council awarding the bid for the Wharton Regional Airport Terminal Building Project and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute the agreement.
  - C. **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council rejecting the bids for the Wharton Airport Terminal Building Project.
- 15. Status Report:** City of Wharton Projects.
- 16. Reports:** City of Wharton Boards, Commissions and Committees:
- A. Beautification Commission meeting held March 12, 2008.
  - B. City Council Finance Committee meeting held March 14, 2008.
  - C. Electrical Board meeting held March 18, 2008.
  - D. Planning Commission meeting held March 20, 2008.
- 17. City Manager’s Reports:**
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| A. City Secretary/Personnel.                    | H. Legal Department.           |
| B. Code Enforcement.                            | I. Municipal Court.            |
| C. Community Services Department /Civic Center. | J. Police Department           |
| D. E.M.S. Department.                           | K. Public Works Department.    |
| E. Engineer/Planning Department.                | L. Water/ Sewer Department.    |
| F. Facilities Maintenance Department.           | M. Weedy Lots/ Sign Ordinance. |
| G. Fire Department.                             | N. Wharton Municipal Pool.     |
|   | O. Wharton Regional Airport.   |
- 18. Adjournment.**