

AGENDA
CITY OF WHARTON
Regular City Council Meeting, City Hall
7:00 p.m., Monday, October 22, 2007

1. **Call to Order – Opening Devotion – Pledge of Allegiance.**
2. **Roll Call and Excused Absences.**
3. **Public Comments.**
4. **Wharton Moment.**
5. **Review & Consider:** City of Wharton Financial Report for the month of September 2007.
6. **Review and Consider:** Request by Mr. Jeff Rainer, Chairman for the Wharton Holiday Parade for the following:
 - A. **Ordinance:** An ordinance approving the 2007 Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Holiday Parade Permit and authorizing the Wharton Police Department to redirect traffic.
 - B. City of Wharton to furnish five (5) tree lights for use at the point of line up.
7. **Review and Consider:** Request by Mr. John A. Ball, Owner of the Party Mouse, for City of Wharton assistance to close Fulton Street between Milam and West Burlison for the Party Mouse 2nd Annual Halloween Celebration to be held October 27, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
8. **Review & Consider:** Recommendation by the Mayor's Committee on People with Disabilities to place ADA restroom signage in the Civic Center and at Riverfront Park.
9. **Review & Consider:** **Ordinance:** An ordinance approving budget amendments to the Budget for the City of Wharton, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2006 - 2007.
10. **Review & Consider:** Fiscal year 2006-2007 write-off of EMS delinquent accounts.
11. **Public Hearing:** In accordance with Section 1-n(d), Article VIII of the Texas Constitution, a public hearing may be held regarding

the taxation of goods in transit as defined by Tex. Tax Code 11.253(a)(2), as amended by House Bill 621.

- 12. Review & Consider:** **Ordinance:** An ordinance of the City of Wharton, Texas, to tax tangible personal property in transit which would otherwise be exempt pursuant to Texas Tax Code, Section 11.253.
- 13. Review & Consider:** Request by Mr. Laurance Armour, III, President of ARC of East Wharton County for the following:
- A. **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council approving the extension to the lease agreement between the City of Wharton and ARC of East Wharton County for the 0.45 acre tract of land situated in the William Kincheloe League, Abstract 38 and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute the agreement.
 - B. Consider the contribution of the property or to negotiate a sale of the property to ARC.
- 14. Review & Consider:** Request by Mr. Bill Joines, on behalf of Josef's Farm for the following:
- A. Move and level dirt excavated from the property the City purchased from Josef's Farm, Inc. to a four acre tract behind Mr. Joines' residence off of Highway 60.
 - B. Fill low land starting at Highway 60 to where the box culverts were installed under Highway 60 back to the City acquired property.
 - C. Permit Mr. Joines to remove top soil from said acquired property to fill low spots on five acres beside Mr. Joines' shop off of Highway 60.
 - D. Reset culvert sections.
 - E. Maintain road to the project during the duration that the road is being used to complete the project.
- 15. Review & Consider:** Request by Mr. Bob Whitley, owner of Idlewood Homes, for City Council approval to place various directional signs advertising the homes for sale located on Columbus Street.
- 16. Review & Consider:** Request by Mr. Jim Cheek regarding the removal of landscaping located at the esplanade located at Richmond Road and Bolton Street.

17. **Review & Consider:** Wharton Economic Development Corporation 2006 – 2007 Annual Report.
18. **Review & Consider:** Requests for City Council approval of the following City of Wharton Ambulance Provider Permit Applications:
 - A. Upscale EMS.
 - B. Midas Care EMS.
19. **Review & Consider:** **Resolution:** A resolution of the Wharton City Council approving the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Affiliation Agreement between Houston Community College and the City of Wharton and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wharton to execute the agreement.
20. **Review & Consider:** Request by the Public Works Department for City Council approval to purchase a 2007 XT 3300-72 New Dixie Chopper ZTR Mower from Turf Equipment & Supplies, Inc. in the amount of \$8,199.00.
21. **Review & Consider:** Request by the Wharton Police Department to purchase two (2) four (4) door Crown Victoria Sedans, Police Package, through the Houston-Galveston Area Council.
22. **Review & Consider:** Appointment of a City of Wharton Representative to serve on the Wharton County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009 term.
23. **Review & Consider:** Appointments to the Youth Advisory Commission.
24. **Review & Consider:** Request by Councilmember Domingo Montalvo, Jr. to attend the Texas Municipal League 95th Annual Conference November 6 – 9, 2007 in Dallas, Texas.
25. **Review & Consider:** Status Report on City of Wharton Projects.
26. **Review & Consider:** City Council, Committee, Commissions, and Boards Reports:
 - A. Mayor’s Committee on People with Disabilities meeting held October 9, 2007.
 - B. Beautification Commission meeting held October 10, 2007

C. City Council Finance Committee meeting held October 18, 2007.

27. City Manager's Reports:

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| A. Police Department. | I. Engineer/Planning Department. |
| B. City Secretary/Personnel. | J. Facilities Maintenance Department. |
| C. Municipal Court. | K. Community Services Department/
Civic Center. |
| D. E.M.S. Department. | L. Wharton Municipal Pool. |
| E. Fire Department Incidents/Inspections. | M. Wharton Regional Airport. |
| F. Code Enforcement Department. | N. Legal. |
| G. Water & Sewer Department. | O. Weedy Lots/Sign Ordinance. |
| H. Public Works Department. | |

28. Presentation: Airport Manager David Allen will provide a presentation regarding the Wharton Regional Airport.

29. Adjournment.