

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2008**

Mayor Bryce D. Kocian declared a Regular Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 7:00 P.M. Councilmember Ray Linseisen led the opening devotion and then Mayor Bryce D. Kocian led the pledge of allegiance.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Bryce D. Kocian, Councilmembers V. L. Wiley, Jr., David Samuelson, Ken Freese, Don Mueller, and Ray Linseisen.

Councilmember absent was: Domingo Montalvo, Jr.

Staff members present were: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joyce Vasut, City Secretary Lisa Olmeda, Assistant to City Manager Jackie Jansky, Planning Director Prudencio Arriaga, Sr., and City Attorney Paul Webb.

Visitors present were: David Schroeder with Wharton Economic Development Corporation, Carlos Cotton with Jones & Carter, Alan Prigge, Sharon Smith, and Shawn Kappes.

The second item on the agenda was Roll Call and Excused Absences. Councilmember V. L. Wiley, Jr. made a motion to approve the absence of Councilmember Domingo Montalvo, Jr. from the Regular City Council Meeting held February 25, 2008. Councilmember Don Mueller seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The third item on the agenda was Public Comments. No comments were given. No action was taken.

The fourth item on the agenda was Wharton Moment. Mayor Bryce D. Kocian stated that Councilmember Domingo Montalvo, Jr. father Domingo Montalvo, Sr. passed away and expressed his condolences. He stated that the service would be held Friday, February 29, 2008 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.

Councilmember Ken Freese publicly commended Wharton Plaza Theater for the performance of Grease. He stated that the performances have been sold out.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. congratulated City Secretary Lisa Olmeda (formerly Stavena) on her marriage. No action was taken.

The fifth item on the agenda was to review and consider the City of Wharton financial report for the month of January 2008. Finance Director Joyce Vasut presented the financial report for the

