

**MINUTES
OF
CITY OF WHARTON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 29, 2007**

Mayor Pro-Tem Don Mueller declared a Regular Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 7:01 P.M. Councilmember David Samuelson led the opening devotion and then Mayor Pro-Tem Don Mueller led the pledge of allegiance.

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

Councilmember absent was: Mayor Bryce D. Kocian, and Domingo Montalvo, Jr.

Staff members present were: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joyce Vasut, City Secretary Lisa Stavena, Planning Director Prudencio Arriaga, Sr., Community Services Director Jo Knezek, and City Attorney Paul Webb.

Visitors present were: Benjamin Sharp with Wharton Journal Spectator, David Schroeder with Wharton Economic Development Corporation, and Carlos Cotton.

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. Councilmember Ken Freese stated that the Texas A & M Girls Softball Team would be playing in the Softball World Series that would be televised on ESPN. He publicly commended Jamie Loprice, a Wharton High School graduate for her outstanding performance as an A & M player during the playoffs. No action was taken.

The fifth item on the agenda was Administer: Oath of Office to Elected Officials Councilmembers V. L. Wiley, Jr., Ken Freese and Domingo Montalvo, Jr. City Attorney Paul Webb administered the Oath of Office to Elected Officials Councilmembers V. L. Wiley, Jr., and Ken Freese.

The sixth item on the agenda was to review and consider Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem. City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated that Section 15 of the City Charter stated that following a regular annual election and upon the induction of the newly elected members of the governing body into office, the members of the City Council shall elect one of the Councilmembers to be Mayor Pro-Tem. After some discussion, Councilmember David Samuelson made a motion to appoint Don Mueller as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember V. L. Wiley, Jr. seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The seventh item on the agenda was to review and consider the City of Wharton financial report for the month of April 2007. Finance Director Joyce Vasut presented the financial report for the

