

**MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS
JULY 21, 2022**

A called Council Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas was held on the 21st day of July, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall, 200 East Main St, Hamilton, Texas.

The City Council meeting was open to the public. To allow for remote participation, people could view and listen to the meeting live via Zoom. Citizens could also provide a citizen's presentation and address the council via Zoom connection. Instructions were given during the meeting about how to address the Council. Sign in prior to the meeting was provided through the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/33eb4s9v>

Present for the meeting:

Mayor Rodney Craddick	Council Member Doug Baker
Mayor Pro Tem Todd Jordan	Council Member George Beard
City Administrator Ryan Polster	Council Member Richard Buchanan
City Secretary Brooke Tomlinson	Council Member Gary Haggard

Absent: City Attorney Connie White

Others present: Jamie Laduke Hamilton Economic Development, Cody Laduke, Jim Eidson, Vickie Beard, Nancy Yates

Item No. I: Mayor Craddick opened the meeting with a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Item No. II: Public Comments.

Nancy Yates spoke on how the proposal for the Overlay is a terrible thing, and stated that listing exclusions will get the City into legal trouble, as well as taking people's property rights does the same thing. The City needs to apply the regulations properly, and it will fix our problems.

Item No. III: The following agenda deliberations were discussed and/or action taken:

1. Mrs. Laduke handed a document out regarding a proposed Overlay for the Hamilton square. She stated that this amendment to the ordinance is a start to solve the challenges of the City of Hamilton's tax issues. She stated that what is best for the City of Hamilton is to start the revitalization of the square. She said we still need to make more revisions, mapping, and more overlays in the future, and to trust the professionals that the City of Hamilton hired to revitalize this community. Jordan stated as a city, we cannot create an ordinance for the sole purpose of us getting a profit off of it, and we were going in that direction with the Overlay. He recommended not passing the overlay, but keeping the original zoning that is in place for commercial and the central business district, with a few changes. Jordan said we need to make a future Agenda Item to modify the planning and zoning map. Jordan made a Motion to designate the 100 block of N Rice, E Henry, N Bell, E Main (downtown area) facing the square as the Central Business District and pass Ordinance 03-21. Beard seconded the Motion which passed unanimously.
2. Proposed 2022-2023 City Budget- Workshop. Council discussed projects and direction for spending city funds. No action was taken.

Item No. IV: Future Agenda Items.

Amend the Planning and Zoning map for the Overlay on the square.

Item No. V: Mayor Craddick adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Rodney Craddick, Mayor

Brooke Tomlinson, City Secretary