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## MINUTES

**CITY OF HUTCHINS  
NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, April 17, 2023 – 6:00 PM  
Hutchins City Hall – Council Chamber  
321 N. Main St.  
Hutchins, TX 75141**

A meeting of the Hutchins City Council was held on Monday, April 17, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Hutchins City Hall – Council Chamber, 321 N. Main St., Hutchins, Texas, at which time the following items were discussed and considered:

### **WORK SESSION - 6:00 p.m.**

**A. Discuss Potential Roadway Improvements of Palestine Street near Millers Ferry Road.**

**Presented by: Guy Brown, EDC Director**

EDC Director Guy Brown presented the item for improvements to Palestine including four options that include the construction of an overpass, funding options, contributions by the EDC, and participation from the RTC and Federal Government to fund the project.

The council suggested a meeting with Union Pacific to discuss solutions to prevent the train from stopping at the entry of town and delaying traffic from getting from one side of town to the other. Mayor Pro Tem Nichols suggested residents contact the state to file complaints.

The council discussed options to include an addendum to include a traffic study of surrounding streets or an option to begin communication with UP Railroad for solutions regarding wait time and future expansion.

Council directed EDC Director Brown to proceed with more information for alternative number one with an addendum to include a traffic study of impact to surrounding streets and meet with Union Pacific to discuss staging, wait time, and length of their trains and quiet zones.

### **REGULAR SESSION**

**A. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Vasquez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Roll Call:** Members present – Mayor Vasquez, Mayor Pro Tem Nichols, Councilmember Elmore, Councilmember Didehbani, Councilmember Campbell, and

Councilmember Odom.

2. **Invocation:** The invocation was presented by Councilmember Campbell.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilmember Odom led the Pledge of Allegiance

**B. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

**D. PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Introduction of Police Officer Nathan JohnPierre**  
**Presented by: Steve Perry, Police Chief**

Officer JohnPierre was not in attendance due to an illness.

2. **Introduction of Building Inspector Blake Moore**  
**Presented by: Gregory McCaffery, Director of Public Works and Community Development**

Director of Public Works and Community Development Greg McCaffery introduced Building Inspector Blake Moore.

3. **Re-recognition of Texas Accreditation of Best Practices**  
**Presented by: Steve Perry, Police Chief**

Seagoville Police Chief Ray Calverley, representing Texas Police Chiefs Association, presented Chief Perry with the Certificate of Accreditation for Best Practices and explained the process that goes into achieving this prestigious award.

4. **Capital Projects update**  
**Presented by: Gregory McCaffery, Director of Public Works and Community Development**

Director of Public Works and Community Development presented the Capital Projects update and answered questions.

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**F. REGULAR AGENDA**

1. **Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of “City of Hutchins, Texas, Tax Note, Series 2023”, including the adoption of an Ordinance, Ordinance 2023- 1163, authorizing the issuance of such note.**  
**Presented by: William Wooten, Finance Director**

Mayor Pro Tem Nichols made the motion seconded by Councilmember Elmore to approve Ordinance 2023-1163 for the issuance and sale of City of Hutchins, Texas Tax Note, Series 2023. The motion was carried unanimously 5-0.

**2. Mid-Year Budget Update (2022-2023 Fiscal Year)  
Presented by: William Wooten, Finance Director**

Finance Director William Wooten provided an overview of the mid-year budget and financial status and answered questions.

**G. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

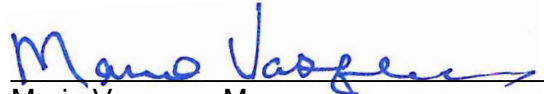
City Secretary Olguin announced the items of community interest.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Nichols made the motion seconded by Councilmember Didehbani to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously 5-0.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE HUTCHINS CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2023.**

APPROVED:

  
Mario Vasquez, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Cynthia Olguin, City Secretary

