

**MINUTES
WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL
Called Meeting
Thursday, January 27, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Westminster met in a called meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Westminster Depot with Mayor Brian Ramey presiding. Those in attendance were:

Brian Ramey
Jimmy Powell

Dale Glymph

Yousef Mefleh

City Administrator, Kevin Bronson
Rebecca Overton
Leigh Baker, Utilities Director
Members of the public and press

Notice of the meeting and the agenda was posted on a window at the Depot and at westminstersc.org twenty-four hours prior to the meeting and all persons, organizations and local media requesting notification and the agenda were notified by email.

Call to Order

Mayor Ramey called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Glymph led the invocation and pledge.

Certification of Quorum

The City Clerk certified a quorum.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Comments from the Mayor and Council

Mr. Mefleh stated that he would like to say something about the recent comments in regards to his building addition at his restaurant. He stated he has been in Westminster for over 38 years and that he never regrets coming to Westminster. He said he had felt everyone's love and support over the last several days. He apologized and stated that he did not mean to do anything wrong and that he had vowed to correct what he needed to. He suggested if anyone had heard anything negative or questionable that they were more than welcome to come talk to him personally, that he was always open to talk.

Old Business

January 27, 2022

1. Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-01; Budget Amendment #4 to amend the FY2021/2022 Annual Budget to include a 20% sewer rate increase in the per one thousand gallon fee for all rate codes

Current Rate Schedule:

Description	Current Monthly Fee Per 1,000 GAL
SW Non-Res 3" WM	\$6.35
SW Inside Residential	\$6.92
SW Outside Residential	\$7.32
SW Non-Res 6" WM	\$6.35
SW Non-Res 4" WM	\$6.35
SW Non-Res 2" WM	\$6.35
TN SW Non-Res 4: WM Main	\$3.99
County Sewer Only	\$5.05

Proposed Rate Schedule:

Description	Proposed Monthly Fee Per 1,000 GAL
SW Non-Res 3" WM	\$7.62
SW Inside Residential	\$8.30
SW Outside Residential	\$8.78
SW Non-Res 6" WM	\$7.62
SW Non-Res 4" WM	\$7.62
SW Non-Res 2" WM	\$7.62
TN SW Non-Res 4: WM Main	\$4.79
County Sewer Only	\$6.06

Upon a motion by Mr. Glymph and seconded by Mr. Powell, the motion **to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-01; Budget Amendment #4 to amend the FY2021/2022 Annual Budget to include a 20% sewer rate increase in the per one thousand gallon fee for all rate codes** passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Vote
Ramey		Yes
Cater		Absent
Glymph	Motion	Yes
Mefleh		Yes
Powell	Second	Yes

2. Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-02 to sell or otherwise convey City Property (Tax Map #530-16-13-014) approximately 0.77 acres located on Lucky Street and commonly referred to as the Pool Building to Westminster Senior Outreach

Upon a motion by Mr. Mefleh and seconded by Mr. Powell, the motion **to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-02 to sell or otherwise convey City Property (Tax Map #530-16-13-014) approximately 0.77 acres located on Lucky Street and commonly referred to as the Pool Building to Westminster Senior Outreach** passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Vote
Ramey		Yes
Cater		Absent
Glymph		Yes
Mefleh	Motion	Yes
Powell	Second	Yes

3. Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-03 to authorize a Lease Agreement with Oconee Cultivation Project for 20 West Abbey Street (SC Tax Map #530-12-01-023)

Upon a motion by Mr. Mefleh and seconded by Mr. Glymph the motion **to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance #2022-01-19-03 to authorize a Lease Agreement with Oconee Cultivation Project for 20 West Abbey Street (SC Tax Map #530-12-01-023)** passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Vote
Ramey		Yes
Cater		Absent
Glymph	Second	Yes
Mefleh	Motion	Yes
Powell		Yes

Routine Business

1. Approval of the January 19, 2022 Called Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Mr. Mefleh and seconded by Mr. Glymph the motion **to approve the January 19, 2022 Called Meeting Minutes** passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Vote
Ramey		Yes
Cater		Absent
Glymph	Second	Yes
Mefleh	Motion	Yes
Powell		Yes

Adjourn

Upon a motion by Mr. Ramey and seconded by Mr. Powell, the motion ***to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 pm*** passed unanimously.

(Minutes submitted by Rebecca Overton)

Mayor Brian Ramey

Date