

**City of Westwood Hills
City Council Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2018
Meeting #829**

A regular session of the city council was called to order in due form by Mayor Paula Schwach at 7:12 p.m.

Present: Mayor Schwach, Mary Becker, Rosemary Podrebarac, Ludwig Villasi, John Weedman and Beth O'Bryan. City Attorney Jim Orr and City Treasurer John Martin were present.

No citizens were in attendance.

Motion by Becker to adopt the Consent Agenda. Second by Weedman. All aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Podrebarac to approve the agenda. Second by Becker. All aye. Motion approved.

Old Business:

Animal Control Agreement - Schwach reminded that council previously authorized her to enter into an agreement with the City of Mission to provide animal control services to Westwood Hills. City Attorney Orr drafted changes to the Mission template animal control services document that appear to be acceptable to the City of Mission attorney. Orr said, that according to the agreement, each call would cost Westwood Hills \$100.00 on average. The pricing for the agreement is figured on three years average of calls made to Northeast Animal Control in the past. The City averaged 16 calls annually and will be billed based upon that number of calls (\$1600.00) in addition to a flat fee to be paid to the City of Mission. Should the City go over or under the previous average number of calls by more than 10%, then the City would get either a charge or credit. The services to be provided under the agreement do not include the removal of large dead animals. **Podrebarac moved to approve the animal control agreement with Mission in substantially the form presented and authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to complete final negotiations and execute the agreement. All in favor. Motion carried.**

New Business:

Larkin Lamp Rynearson Amendment (LLR) #4 Ratification

The fourth amendment to the contract adds \$3280.67 to the maximum amount due under the contract for services required in connection with redesigning the structures at 50th & Glendale and 48th Terrace and Rainbow Blvd. due to utility conflicts. This Fourth Amendment has been submitted to KDHE, and the City is awaiting KDHE's approval. Mayor executed the contract under the authority given previously by Council but would

like Council to ratify the amendment. **Podrebarac moved and Villasi seconded to ratify the execution of amendment 4 to the LLR contract. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Informational items – no action to be taken

There were no items from Citizens in attendance.

Ordinance against Discrimination - Several Northeast Johnson County cities are working on passing an ordinance against discrimination in housing, employment and public accommodations. The City of Westwood Hills would like to look into passing such an ordinance in early 2019. The anticipated ordinance would protect not only the Federally protected classes but also add LGBTQ persons.

Street Sign Inventory - Villasi and Shelor Sexton conducted a city-wide sign inspection on November 16, 2018. They found:

- Several street signs need to be cleaned and a coat of clear paint applied to protect the sign
- Several signs are leaning.
- Several sign poles need to be painted.
- Eleven “No parking signs” need to be replaced.

Villasi will have cost estimates for the January Council meeting for consideration as part of the capital improvements planning discussion.

Leaf pick up - Villasi, and other council members, received inquiries as to why the City is not offering a city-wide leaf collection. Should the City revisit the leaf collection in 2019, Villasi feels there should be an ordinance allowing fines for leaf collection violations.

John Weedman moved and Becker seconded to go into executive session at 8:02 p.m. for approximately 15 minutes to discuss a personnel issue. Council came out of executive session at 8:11 p.m., with a motion by Weedman, seconded by Podrebarac, to resume the regular council meeting.

Weedman moved, and Becker seconded the motion, to pay the City Clerk a \$500.00 bonus to be paid in December 2018, and provide an annual salary increase of \$500.00, effective January 1, 2019. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Weedman. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.