



City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater, Wimberley, Texas 78676

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WIMBERLEY CITY HALL – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
221 STILLWATER, WIMBERLEY, TEXAS 78676
THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2025 - 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Chiles called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM on Thursday, April 3, 2025.

2. CALL OF ROLL

City Council Members Present:

Jim Chiles, Mayor
Rebecca Minick, Place 1
Bo Bowman, Place 2
Chris Sheffield, Place 3
Bob Clark, Place 4
David Cohen, Place 5

City Staff Present:

Tim Patek, City Administrator
Nathan Glaiser, ACA/Development Services Director
Tammy Heller, City Secretary
Michele Woods, Tourism Director
Gabrielle Snyder, Welcome Center Coordinator
Charlie Zech, City Attorney

3. INVOCATION

Reverend Tim Swan from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church provided the invocation. He offered two prayers for the council and the city, focusing on wisdom, charity, justice, and the well-being of all people.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

There were no citizen communications.

6. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

6.1. Proclamation of the City of Wimberley, Texas proclaiming April as "Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month"

Mayor Chiles read the proclamation, highlighting statistics on sexual assault in Texas and the services provided by the Hays Caldwell Women's Center. Patricia Platero, a counselor from the Hays Caldwell Women's Center, thanked the mayor and council for their support and recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

6.2 Proclamation of the City of Wimberley, Texas proclaiming April as "Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month"

Mayor Chiles read the proclamation, emphasizing the importance of child abuse prevention and the collaborative efforts of various local organizations. Susan Higgins, a CASA supervisor, spoke about the role of CASA in advocating for children in state care and encouraged community involvement.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7.1 Consider approval of the March 20, 2025 City Council meeting minutes. (Tammy Heller, City Secretary)

Council Member Cohen moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council Member Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

8.1 Discuss and consider possible action on Resolution No. 02-2025, supporting legislative approval that authorizes the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District to manage and protect the Trinity Aquifer for all users and allow reasonable production fees. (Mayor Chiles and Mayor Pro Tem Minnick)

Mayor Chiles and Mayor Pro Tem Minnick presented information on Resolution 01-2025, supporting legislative approval for the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District to manage and protect the Trinity aquifer. They explained the importance of Senate Bill 2660 and its bipartisan support. The resolution would allow for reasonable production fees and give the district the same authority as other groundwater conservation districts.

Council members discussed the importance of water conservation and the need for community awareness on this issue. They also mentioned that other local governments, including Hays County and the City of Woodcreek, had already approved similar resolutions.

Mayor Pro Tem Minnick moved to approve Resolution Number 01-2025 supporting legislative approval that authorizes the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District to manage and protect the Trinity aquifer for all users and allowing reasonable production fees. Council Member Bowman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8.2 Discuss and consider possible action on a recommendation from the Hotel Occupancy Tax Advisory Committee for a grant to fund shuttle services on Saturday, April 26, 2025 to support transportation throughout downtown, the Pie Social, and the Arts Fest. (Michele Woods, Tourism Director)

Michelle Woods, Tourism Director, presented a recommendation from the Hotel Occupancy Tax Advisory Committee for a grant to fund shuttle services on Saturday, April 26, 2025. The shuttle would transport visitors between various events in downtown Wimberley, including the WIC Pie Social and Arts Fest at Waters Point.

The council discussed the need for additional parking options and potentially increasing the number of shuttles from one to two. They also suggested extending the service hours and including additional stops.

Council Member Sheffield moved to approve HOT funds to fund a grant for shuttle or shuttles in an amount not to exceed \$4,000 as presented. Council Member Minnick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8.3 Discuss and consider possible action regarding a request to permit a temporary structure located at 13620 Ranch Road 12, Wimberley, Texas. (Nathan Glaiser, ACA/Development Services Director)

Nathan Glaiser presented a request to renew the permit for FM Pizza operating in the green space picnic table area near Fair Dinkum Coffee. Staff reported no complaints or issues with their operation.

Mayor Pro Tem Minnick moved to approve extending the permit request for the temporary structure at 13620 Ranch Road 12 as presented. Mayor Chiles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8.4 Discuss and consider possible action regarding a request to permit a temporary structure located at 14200 Ranch Road 12, Wimberley, Texas. (Nathan Glaiser, ACA/Development Services Director)

Nathan Glaiser presented a request for a new food truck, Saucy Bros, to be located in front of Blanco Brew Coffee Shop. Robert Walker, representing Saucy Bros, read a letter of support from Rachel Emery, owner of Blanco Brew. The food truck plans to operate 7 days a week from 7 AM to 3 PM.

Council Member Clark moved to approve the request to permit a temporary structure located at 14200 Ranch Road 12, Wimberley, Texas for Saucy Brothers tacos for one year from today's date. Council Member Sheffield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8.5 Discuss and consider possible action to select an engineering and grant administration consultant for services related to the FEMA flood mitigation grant program. (Tim Patek, City Administrator)

Tim Patek explained the grant opportunity for flood mitigation and recommended Scheibe Consulting based on the scoring of the RFQ. He noted that if the city doesn't receive the previous grant we went out for, the council would decide whether to spend the 25% match for this grant.

Council Member Bowman moved to approve the selection of the administration consultant as presented for the FEMA flood mitigation program. Council Member Sheffield seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

8.6 Discuss and take possible action to authorize initiation of Chapter 54 litigation

Tim Patek presented information on three properties not in compliance with city ordinances:

- 451 Cindy Circle: A residential property being used for commercial purposes.
- 120 Jewel Lane: A vacant lot with excessive storage of items.
- 207 Blanco: A residential property with an expanded home business that has hired employees and installed a driveway to accommodate the business.

The council recessed for executive session at 6:37 PM to discuss the matter with legal counsel. Upon reconvening, council members expressed concerns about balancing the protection of home businesses with neighborhood impacts.

Mayor Pro Tem Minnick moved to authorize the initiation of Chapter 54 litigation for 451 Cindy Circle, 120 Jewel Lane, and 207 Blanco, all in Wimberley, Texas as presented. Council Member Bowman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0)

8.7 Discuss and consider canceling or changing June 19, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting

Tammy Heller explained that June 19th is a federal holiday (Juneteenth), and city offices will be closed. She presented options to cancel the meeting or reschedule it.

Council Member Sheffield moved to cancel the June 19th regular city council meeting. Council Member Bowman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

9.1 Announcements

Council members and staff made the following announcements:

- A community cleanup is scheduled for April 12th at the Lions Field parking lot from 8 AM to noon.

- A board appreciation event will be held on April 24th at the community center at 5:30 PM.
- Councilmember Sheffield will be absent at the next council meeting.
- Mayor Chiles reported that Wimberley's per capita sales tax is double that of San Marcos.
- Wimberley is featured in Southern Living magazine.
- A military servicemember who passed away is being escorted to Thompson Funeral Home.
- Road construction will be ongoing at night, starting around 8 PM.

9.2 Future Agenda Items

No agenda items were discussed this evening.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Cohen moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Minnick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

RECORDED BY:

Tammy Heller, City Secretary

APPROVED BY:

James T. Chiles, Mayor

