



**CITY COUNCIL AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
JOINT WORK SESSION MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022 ~ 8:30 A.M.  
LADY BIRD GOLF COURSE - CARDINAL ROOM  
341 GOLFERS LOOP  
FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS 78624**

**The City of Fredericksburg City Council held their Work Session Meeting on Monday, August 1, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. This meeting was held in person at the Lady Bird Golf Course in the Cardinal Room.**

**Members Present:**

Mayor Jeryl Hoover  
Mayor Pro-Tem Bobby Watson  
Councilmember Emily Kirchner  
Councilmember Tony Klein

**Members Absent:**

Councilmember Sharon Joseph

**County Commissioners Present:**

County Judge Mark Stroehrer  
Commissioner Donnie Schuch  
Commissioner Charlie Olfers  
Commissioner Kevin Kramer  
Commissioner Dennis Neffendorf

**County Commissioners Absent:**

None

**City Staff Present:**

Clinton Bailey, City Manager  
Daniel Jones, City Attorney  
Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief  
Brian Vorauer, Police Chief  
Eric Whiting, Information Technology Director  
Andrea Schmidt, Parks and Recreation Director  
Laura Hollenbeak, Finance Director  
Garret Bonn, Interim City Engineer and Interim Development Services,  
Kris Kneese, Interim Public Works Director  
Tammie Loth, Human Resources Director  
Derek Seelig, Police Lieutenant  
Justin Calhoun, Emergency Management Coordinator  
Reagan Rabke, Fire Marshall  
Frank Stead, Safety Officer  
Evan Williamson, Staff Engineer  
David Jung, EMS Director  
David Kellam, Finance Manager  
Krista Wareham, Finance Manager  
Lori Seewald, EMS Accounts Administrator  
Leslie Ball-Embrey, Administrative Assistant

Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

**County Staff Present:**

Buddy Mills, Sheriff

James Segner, Deputy Sheriff

Marcie Schneider, County Auditor

Dana Smith, County Treasurer

Jennifer Doss, Human Resources Director

Karen Bernhard, Assistant Auditor

Les Metzler, Gillespie County Communications Director

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hoover called the Joint Work Session meeting of the Fredericksburg City Council and Gillespie County Commissioners to order at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, August 1, 2022. Mayor Hoover and County Judge Stroehrer announced the City Council and Commissioners have a quorum.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Hoover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. FISCAL YEAR FY 2022/2023 BUDGET**

**A. Receive comments from Clinton Bailey, City Manager.**

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed the challenges everyone is facing in 2023. He reviewed the agenda items that needed to be discussed.

**B. Public comments on Agenda Items**

Jerry McCorkle, City resident, spoke regarding the American Rescue Plan Act Fund, the need to return the funds from 2022, and not accept the 2023 funds.

Jeannette Hormuth, City resident, spoke regarding taxpayers' funds should not be going towards the sports park. She also stated the City and the County should return the American Rescue Plan Act Funds and not accept any additional funds.

**C. Consider and discuss the following funds:**

**i. Economic Development Commission Funding**

Tim Lemberg, EDC Executive Director, reviewed his proposed budget of \$240,000, which is split 50/50 by the City and the County.

**ii. Gillespie County Health Services**

Kelli Olfers, Director of the Gillespie County Health Division, reviewed the proposed budget. She reviewed the location of the new office and the proposed budget. She stated the proposed new employee is included in the proposed budget.

**iii. Emergency Management Services**

Justin Calhoun, Emergency Management Coordinator, stated the State of Texas did not participate in the 2022 or 2023 FEMA Grant funding. He also reviewed the FY 2022 adopted budget and the proposed FY2023 budget.

**iv. Fire Department**

Reagan Rabke, Fire Marshall, provided a PowerPoint Presentation regarding the Radio System. He also reviewed the change in the law and the mandated requirement to be digital by 2024. He also provided the information regarding the additional tower that is needed.

The Commissioner Court and City Council discussed the number of radios needed.

Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief, reviewed the proposed Fire Department budget and the reason for the increases.

**v. County Rural Fire Services**

County Judge Stroehler reviewed the proposed Gillespie County Rural Services budget.

**vi. EMS Department**

Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief, reviewed the proposed EMS budget, which included new capital items. He stated the City's share would be \$1,611,295, and the County's would be \$1,441,112.

Frank Stead, Safety Officer, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the operating data, the need for a training center, and the new station.

The City Council and County Commissioners discussed the management of the proposed training center. They also discussed the need for additional personnel and equipment for the new station.

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed the cost of the property and a potential location.

Judge Stroehler expressed his concerns with the proposed location being City property and the County not having ownership of the property.

Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief, reviewed the Capital Requests and the need for the requests.

**vii. Law Enforcement Center (LEC)**

County Judge Stroehler reviewed the proposed budget and the reason for the decrease in the LEC Operations.

**viii. Emergency Dispatch Center**

County Judge Stroehler reviewed the proposed budget and the reason for the increase. He also reviewed the challenges the Dispatch Center is facing regarding employees.

Les Metzler, Gillespie County Communications Director, stated he is requesting a \$5 pay rate increase for all dispatchers. He stated currently, there are six openings, and some employees are covering several shifts.

**ix. Housing Coordinator Position**

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed the breakdown of the funding for the Housing Coordinator position. He also reviewed the presentation by Vince Michel. He also noted that the coordinator had brought new ideas for affordable housing funding with the Fair Housing and Municipal Utility District.

Tim Lemberg, EDC Executive Director, reviewed the current contract and the expertise in areas the City and County were missing. He recommended each entity set aside \$25,000 each and then, in 6 months, see if they want to renew his contract.

The City Council and County Commissioner discussed the need to know what is planned for year two.

The County Commissioners discussed their concerns with an additional year agreement.

**x. Sports Park**

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed how soccer has grown. He also stated the association has been fundraising and is beginning to discuss a lease agreement. He also reviewed the issues with irrigation. He provided information on how this park could be a 3-way split between the City, County, and private sector.

The City Council and County Commissioners discussed the proposed location.

**xi. American Rescue Fund**

Krista Wareham, Finance Manager, stated the City received a check in 2022 for \$1.4 million, and the second check should be here sometime in August. She noted the City has earmarked funds for the Broadband Program and generator, qualified recipients, and has \$424,800 remaining.

**xii. Animal Control**

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, stated last year, the County gave \$15,000 towards the Animal Control budget. He noted that they dealt with many County animals and asked the County to provide an amount they were willing to give.

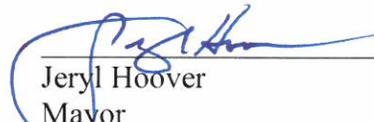
**D. Consider and discuss outstanding budget items**

No other items were discussed.

**4. ADJOURN**

**Motion:** A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kirchner to adjourn the Monday, August 1, 2022, Joint Work Session Meeting at 10:37 a.m. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

With no other business the County Judge Stroehrer adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

  
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Jeryl Hoover  
Mayor

  
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Shelley Goodwin, TRMC/CMC  
City Secretary