

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION HELD, Tuesday, September 17, 2024
at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, at 200 W. Railroad Ave., Godley, Texas 76044.**

City Council Members Present: Christopher Lenker, Mayor
Gabrielle Mize, Mayor Pro Tem
Scott Yarbrough, City Council Member
Misty Rodriguez, City Council Member
Stephanie Hodges, City Council Member

City Staff Present: Angela Winkle, City Administrator
Lindsey Hale, City Attorney
Jeremy Arbuthnot, Sgt. Police
Brittany Gross, City Secretary
Danny Armstrong, Public Works Director
Brian Thompson, Fire Chief

Absent: Roger Cornelison, City Council Member

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Christopher Lenker called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 6:31p.m.; announced that himself, Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize, Council member Scott Yarbrough, Council member Misty Rodriguez, Council member Stephanie Hodges were present. Council member Roger Cornelison was absent. Announced a quorum was present.

INVOCATION

Pastor Marcus Vail, Movement City Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Christopher Lenker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

PUBLIC INPUT

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic. However, unless the item is specifically noted on this agenda, the City Council is required under the Texas Open Meetings Act to limit its response to responding with a statement of specific factual information, reciting the City's existing policy, or directing the person making the inquiry to visit with City Staff about the issue. No Council deliberation is permitted. Each person will have 5 minutes to speak.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda are routine and administrative in nature. As such, these items are considered for approval by a single motion and vote without discussion. Council Members can remove an item or items from the agenda, so it can be considered separately, and/or add any item to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda.

- A. Discuss and possible action on approval of the Godley City Council minutes from the Regular meeting held on September 3, 2024.**
- B. Department Reports**
 - a. City Administrator**
 - b. Fire Department**
 - c. Police Department**

d. Public Works

C. Approval for Mayor Lenker to attend the TML Conference in Houston, Texas, on October 9-11, 2024.

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to approve the consent agenda in its entirety, second by Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council voted 4-0 to approve the consent agenda in it entirety. Motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Hold a Public Hearing on the rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR Commercial Retail on ±.347 acres located at 104 S. Third Street.

Mayor Christopher Lenker opened the public hearing at 6:35pm. Maurice Schwanke from Bureau Veritas gave a presentation on the zoning change to the Council. Kayla Lain spoke during the public hearing. Mayor Christopher Lenker closed the public hearing at 6:38pm.

B. Discuss and consider an Ordinance No. 09-2024-122 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR Commercial Retail on ±.347 acres located at 104 S. Third Street.

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 09-2024-122 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR Commercial Retail on ±.347 acres located at 104 S. Third Street, second by Council member Stephanie Hodges.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to approve Ordinance No. 09-2024-122 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR Commercial Retail on ±.347 acres located at 104 S. Third Street. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Hold a Public Hearing on the rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR (Commercial Retail) on ±1.10 acres located at 204 E. State Highway 171.

Mayor Christopher Lenker opened the public hearing at 6:39pm. Maurice Schwanke with Bureau Veritas gave a presentation on the zoning change to Council. Mayor Christopher Lenker closed the public hearing at 6:42pm.

D. Discuss and consider an Ordinance No. 09-2024-123 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR (Commercial Retail) on ±1.10 acres located at 204 E. State Highway 171.

Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 09-2024-123 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR (Commercial Retail) on ±1.10 acres located at 204 E. State Highway 171, second by Council member Stephanie Hodges.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to approve Ordinance No. 09-2024-123 rezoning from R1 (Residential Single-Family) to CR (Commercial Retail) on ±1.10 acres located at 204 E. State Highway 171. Motion 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss and take possible action on nominating candidates for the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County for the 2025-2026 term.

Duaine Goulding, John Wood, and Kayla Lain spoke on the CAD Board Nominations. Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to nominate Duaine Goulding, Amy Lingo, John R. Wood, Brandon Potts and James M. Cockrell for the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County for the 2025-2026 term, second by Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to nominate Duaine Goulding, Amy Lingo, John R. Wood, Brandon Potts and James M. Cockrell for the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County for the 2025-2026 term. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Discuss and consider a Proposal for Eddie Peacock, PLLC to provide Finance Interim Support and Training, and authorize the City Administrator to execute said proposal.

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to authorize the City Administrator to execute said proposal for Eddie Peacock, PLLC to provide Finance Interim Support and Training, second by Council member Misty Rodriguez.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to authorize the City Administrator to execute said proposal for Eddie Peacock, PLLC to provide Finance Interim Support and Training. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Discuss and take possible action on accepting the resignation of Tammy Cottino from the Economic Development Board of Directors.

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to accept the resignation of Tammy Cottino from the Economic Development Board of Directors, second by Council member Misty Rodriguez.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to accept the resignation of Tammy Cottino from the Economic Development Board of Directors. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Discuss and take possible action on the appointment of one (1) member to the Economic Development Board of Directors.

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to post pone the appointment of one (1) member to the Economic Development Board of Directors until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, seconded by Council member Stephanie Hodges.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to post pone the appointment of one (1) member to the Economic Development Board of Directors until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

E. Discuss and take possible action on rescheduling or canceling the regularly scheduled Council Meetings on October 1, 2024 (National Night) and November 5, 2024 (Election Day).

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to cancel both regularly scheduled Council meetings on October 1, 2024, and November 5, 2024, second by Council member Misty Rodriguez.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to cancel both regularly scheduled Council meetings on October 1, 2024, and November 5, 2024. Motion carried 4-0.

BUDGET AND TAX RATE

- A. Discuss and consider adoption of Ordinance No.09-2024-124 an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Godley, Texas, Amending the FY2032-24 City of Godley Operating Budget and Appropriating Resources to be known as “FY2023-24 Budget Amendment No.1” and establishing and Effective Date.**

City Administrator Angela Winkle explains the budget amendment. Council member Misty Rodriguez made a motion to adopt Ordinance No.09-2024-124 an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Godley, Texas, Amending the FY2032-24 City of Godley Operating Budget and Appropriating Resources to be known as “FY2023-24 Budget Amendment No.1” and establishing an Effective Date September 17, 2024, second by Council member Scott Yarbrough.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance No.09-2024-124 an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Godley, Texas, Amending the FY2032-24 City of Godley Operating Budget and Appropriating Resources to be known as “FY2023-24 Budget Amendment No.1” and establishing an Effective Date September 17, 2024.

- B. Discuss and consider adoption of Ordinance No. 09-2024-125 approving and adopting a Budget for the City of Godley for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025.**

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2024-125 approving and adopting a Budget for the City of Godley for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, second by Council member Misty Rodriguez.

	For	Against
Mayor Pro Tem Mize	Yes	
Council Member Hodges	Yes	
Council Member Rodriguez	Yes	
Council Member Yarbrough	Yes	

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2024-125 approving and adopting a Budget for the City of Godley for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. Discuss and consider Resolution R-09-2024-19 to Ratify the 2024 Property Tax Rate reflected in the FY 2024-2025 annual budget.**

Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to adopt Resolution R-09-2024-19 to Ratify the 2024 Property Tax Rate reflected in the FY 2024-2025 annual budget, second by Council member Stephanie Hodges.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to adopt Resolution R-09-2024-19 to Ratify the 2024 Property Tax Rate reflected in the FY 2024-2025 annual budget. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed Property Tax Rate of \$0.514456 for 2024.

Mayor Christopher Lenker opened the public hearing at 7:06pm. There was no public comment. Mayor Lenker closed the public hearing at 7:06pm.

E. Discuss and consider an Ordinance No. 09-2024-126 setting the Property Tax Rate of \$0.514456 for 2024.

Council member Misty Rodriguez made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2024-126 setting the Property Tax Rate of \$0.514456 for 2024, second by Council member Scott Yarbrough.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance No. 09-2024-126 setting the Property Tax Rate of \$0.514456 for 2024. Motion carried 4-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:08p.m. Mayor Lenker made the announcement that Council would convene into Executive Session for:

Section 551.074 Personnel Matters; Police Chief Position

Council reconvened at 7:28p.m. into Open Session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize made a motion to allow the City Administrator Angela Winkle to make a conditional offer to Dusty Vinson for the Position of Police Chief, second by Council member Scott Yarbrough.

**Council voted: Mayor Pro Tem Gabrielle Mize – yes
Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Stephanie Hodges- yes**

Council unanimously voted to allow the City Administrator Angela Winkle to make a conditional offer to Dusty Vinson for the Position of Police Chief. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Items of community interest include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognitions of city officials, employees, or citizens; reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the city or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a city official or employee; and announcements involving imminent threats to the public health and safety.

City Administrator Angela Winkle introduced Police Chief Dusty Vincent.

**Fall Festival, Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9am to 5pm at the City Park
Trunk or Treat, Tuesday, October 29th at 5pm at the Godley Fire Department**


ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business Mayor Lenker adjourned the meeting at 7:31p.m.



Mayor Christopher Lenker

ATTEST:



Brittany Gross
City Secretary

