

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
January 21, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session January 21, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Tommy Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ken Keeler, Haley Hughes, Dakota Nichols, Randy Jones, and Jeff Johnson.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mary Jo Dollar.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Diana Alcala, City Secretary; Allen McDonald, Public Works Director; JI Johnson, Finance Director; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Mike Doughty, Community Development Director; Tony Dresser (Videographer).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Anna Beall, David Jones, Delania Raney, Gary Sutton, Jake McAdams, Jasmine Jones, Martin Phillips, Rachel Contereas, Reese Evans, Rene Contreras, Rod Tyler, Tavia Josey, Tim Brewer.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tommy Moore called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Reverend Rene Contreras from the Temple Baptist Church gave the invocation. Mayor Tommy Moore led the pledge to the flag.

**REPORTS**

City Manager Barry Sullivan presented a report on several TXDOT Grant Projects in progress.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A.** Approve Minutes of January 7, 2025 City Council Meeting.
- B.** Consideration of and action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville making an appointment to the Board of Directors of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority.
- C.** Consideration of and action on a Resolution calling for the General Municipal Election to be held by the City of Gainesville, Texas on May 3, 2025; providing for the General Election of Council Persons for Ward 1, Ward 2, Ward 4 and Mayor; adopting a voting system as approved by Secretary of State; and designating polling locations for Early Voting and Election Day.
- D.** Consideration of and action on a Resolution of the City Council approving the sale of alcohol at the Gainesville Civic Center during the Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Consent Agenda**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nichols and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.**

Mayor Tommy Moore opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. and called for public comment.

Jake McAdams from Public Management Inc. came forward to discuss the purpose of this grant.

Councilmember Johnson **moved to close the public hearing**, seconded by Councilmember Keeler, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

The public hearing was closed at 6:44 p.m.

**RESOLUTION NO. 01-21-2025B - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2024 JOHN DEERE BACKHOE FROM RDO EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR THE WATER DISTRIBUTION DIVISION.**

This Resolution authorizes the purchase of one (1) 2024 John Deere Backhoe for the Water Distribution Division through RDO Equipment Company.

Councilmember Johnson **moved to approve the Resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

**RESOLUTION 01-21-2025C - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, APPROVING A BID FROM CARBON ACTIVATED CORP. FOR THE FILTER TWO REHAB PROJECT.**

This resolution awards the bid contract to Carbon Activated Corp. for the Filter Two Rehab Project.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the Resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hughes and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

**RESOLUTION 01-21-2025D - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS AWARDING BID 2024-16 TO LYNN VESSELS CONSTRUCTION, LLC. FOR THE CHALMERS SEWER LINE PROJECT.**

This resolution awards a bid from Lynn Vessels Construction LLC for \$2,023,118.70 for the Chalmers Sewer Line Project.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nichols and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

**RESOLUTION 01-21-2025E - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE STATE THEATER BLUES AND TATTOOS FESTIVAL TO BE HELD ON MARCH 15 AND 16, 2025, AND AUTHORIZING ITS ORGANIZATION AND EXECUTION, CONTINGENT UPON THE RECEIPT OF REQUIRED STATE PERMITS.**

This resolution authorizes the State Theater to organize their proposed Blues and Tattoos Festival on March 15-16, 2025.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the Resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent.

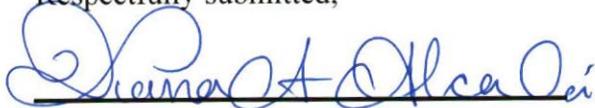
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:45 p.m. Mayor Tommy Moore announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), to discuss the following:

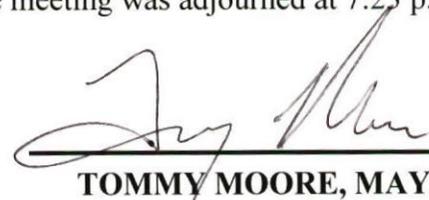
Under Government Code § 551.071(1) - Garcia v. City of Gainesville, 4:24-cv-00735-ALM, United States Eastern District of Texas

Council reconvened into open session at 7:23 p.m. and Mayor Tommy Moore announced no action was taken during executive session.

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. Respectfully submitted,



**DIANA ALCALA, CITY SECRETARY**



**TOMMY MOORE, MAYOR**



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