

**City of Newark**  
**Special Called City Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 30, 2013 at 7:00 pm.**

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor Matt Newby called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2013 in the Newark Municipal Building located at 209 Hudson Street, Newark, Texas 76071. Those present were Mayor Matt Newby, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Wells, Councilmember Linda Anderson, Councilmember Dan Sessler, Councilmember Doug Anderson, and City Administrator Diane Rasor.

**2. Invocation - Councilmember Doug Anderson delivered the invocation.**

**3. Consider and act on appointing a director to the Newark Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corporation (NCEFFC).**

Mayor Pro Tem Wells moved to appoint Monique Murray to the Newark Cultural Education Facilities Foundation Board of Directors; Councilmember Linda Anderson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

Five (5) minute break while the NCEFFC considers a recommendation for the City Council on a resolution approving a loan agreement between the Corporation, Frost Bank, and the Girls School of Austin.

**4. Consider and act on a Resolution relating to approving financing by the NCEFFC for the benefit of the Girls School of Austin, Inc., and related matters.**

Councilmember Sessler moved to approve the Resolution relating to approving financing by the NCEFFC for the benefit of the Girls School of Austin, Inc., and related matters; Councilmember Doug Anderson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

**5. Consider and act on Ordinance No. A-395 amending Ordinance No. A-390, clarifying that all wastewater charges will be based on the City of Newark's water charges. (For Rhome residents who use our wastewater system)**

Mr. Doug Baumgartner stated that he is concerned about the City's decision to raise the sewer rates for customers who use 7,001 gallons of water and up. He requested the City Council consider "winter averaging" since during the summer months the irrigation water and water used to fill swimming pools would not go back into the sewer system to be treated.

Mr. Richard Penick stated that at the current rate, 20% of the customers pay all of the sewer increase and he doesn't want to pay a disproportionate amount. He is also in favor of winter averaging.

Mr. Walt Estes stated he has checked with all of the cities around Newark and most of them have a cap on residential sewer charges. He is in favor of winter averaging.

Mr. Thomas King stated he runs a home day care. He took the last 12 months and used the new rates and he would have paid \$430 a year instead of the \$300 he actually paid.

Mayor Pro Tem Wells suggested the residents install a flow meter. Mayor Newby suggested looking at just Chisholm Trail subdivision and charging a flat rate. Councilmember Doug Anderson said winter averaging is a good idea, but other rates would need to be raised to compensate for the loss of revenue. It was also recommended to cap sewer charges and check with the City Attorney to see if only capping one subdivision is legal.

Mayor Pro Tem Wells moved to adopt Ordinance A-395 for the water and sewer rates; Councilmember Linda Anderson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

Councilmember Doug Anderson moved that all the sewer bills from January 15<sup>th</sup> and forward be adjusted to the Newark water rates for the Chisholm Trail residents; Councilmember Sessler seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

**6. Consider and act on rescinding Ordinance No. A-393 and approving Ordinance No. A-396, which directs the Mayor to execute an agreement, deed, and public utility easement for real property located at 310 FM 718.**

Councilmember Doug Anderson moved to rescind Ordinance No. A-393 and approve Ordinance No. A-396; Councilmember Linda Anderson seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Wells, Councilmember Linda Anderson, Councilmember Doug Anderson.  
Nays: None. Abstentions: Councilmember Sessler. The motion passed with three (3) ayes, zero (0) nays and one (1) abstention.

**7. Consider and act on final approval of the "way finding" signage for the Newark Municipal Complex.**

Councilmember Linda Anderson presented a "mock up" to show the Council how the lettering and design would look and the materials to make the sign. The Council had concerns of how easy the sign could be vandalized with the letter made out of thin metal. This item will be postponed until the next meeting while other sign designs are researched.

**8. Consider and act on updating budget line items to more accurately reflect income and expenditures.**

Mayor Pro Tem Wells moved to accept the updated budget line items; Councilmember Linda Anderson seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. (Budget updates attached to minutes)

**9. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Matt Newby, Mayor

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Date

**ATTEST:**

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Diane Rasor, City Administrator