

Minutes of the City of Harker Heights Special Council Meeting that was called to order on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 5:00 PM, in the Kitty Young Council Chamber at the Harker Heights City Hall at 305 Miller's Crossing, Harker Heights, Texas 76548, with the following members present:

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Michael Blomquist  
Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Canterino  
Councilmember, Place 1 Jennifer McCann  
Councilmember, Place 2 Shane Hodyniak  
Councilmember, Place 4 Lynda Nash  
Councilmember, Place 5 Sam Halabi

City Manager David Mitchell  
City Secretary Julie Helsham  
City Attorney, Charlie Olson

**PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS:**

The following citizen(s) made a presentation:

- Steve Moody, 204 Elbert Lane, Harker Heights, Texas 76548

**ELECTION BUSINESS:**

1. Canvass the Election Returns for the November 5, 2024, Special Election for the City of Harker Heights, Texas. Julie Helsham, City Secretary, made the presentation.

Let the record reflect that there came on to be, considered the returns of the Special Election held on the 5th day of November 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters 23 propositions for a Charter Amendment, and it appearing from the returns, duly and legally made, that 12,008 voters cast ballots in the election. The official canvass of said Special Election reflects the following result:

<b>PROPOSITION</b>	<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>
A	7,290	2,931
B	7,584	2,678
C	4,979	5,243
D	7,464	2,680
E	7,322	2,956
F	5,929	4,269
G	4,619	5,517
H	7,999	2,074
I	9,129	1,095
J	8,724	1,324
K	9,078	1,085
L	8,587	1,568
M	7,798	2,299
N	7,701	2,368
O	8,068	1,974
P	7,739	2,254
Q	7,744	2,219
R	7,783	1,905
S	8,251	1,550

T	8,329	1,415
U	7,445	2,408
V	7,861	2,307
W	8,484	1,609

The official canvass of the election returns reflects the following, which results are hereby declared to have PASSED by a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Harker Heights:

PROPOSITION	PERCENTAGE PASSED
A	71.32%
B	73.90%
D	73.58%
E	71.24%
F	58.14%
H	79.41%
I	89.29%
J	86.82%
K	89.32%
L	84.56%
M	77.23%
N	76.48%
O	80.34%
P	77.44%
Q	77.73%
R	80.34%
S	84.19%
T	85.48%
U	75.56%
V	77.31%
W	84.06%

The official canvass of the election returns reflects the following, which results are hereby declared to have FAILED by a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Harker Heights:

PROPOSITION	PERCENTAGE AGAINST
C	51.29%
G	54.43%

Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Canterino made a motion to approve and accept the completion of the Canvass for the City of Harker Heights Special Election held on November 5, 2024. Councilmember, Place 1 Jennifer McCann seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

- Council discussed and considered approving an Ordinance of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, Ordering and Declaring the Adoption of Charter Amendments. Charlie Olson, City Attorney, made the presentation.

Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Canterino made a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-44 of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, Ordering and Declaring the Adoption of Charter Amendments. Councilmember, Place 4 Lynda Nash seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Council conducted a Public Hearing to discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, adopting the 2024 International Technical Codes, and amending Chapters 150 & 153 of the City of Harker Heights Code of Ordinances and Providing for an Effective Date. Mike Beard, Building Official Administrator, made the presentation.

Councilmember, Place 1 Jennifer McCann made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-42 adopting the 2024 International Technical Codes and amending Chapters 150 and 153 of the City of Harker Heights Code of Ordinances. Councilmember, Place 5 Sam Halabi seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

**REGULAR BUSINESS:**

1. Council discussed and considered approving a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with KPA Engineering for Engineering Services for the Kern Park Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$193,250.00, and authorizing the City Manager to act and sign on behalf of the city. Amy Atkins, Parks and Recreation Director, made the presentation.

Councilmember, Place 1 Jennifer McCann made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-44 of the City Council of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with KPA Engineering for Engineering Services for the Kern Park Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$193,250.00, and authorizing the City Manager to act and sign on behalf of the city. Councilmember, Place 4 Lynda Nash seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

2. Council received and discussed a presentation regarding the State of Texas Covered Applications and Prohibited Technologies Policy. Gary Bates, I.T. Director, made the presentation.

*No action taken.*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the City of Harker Heights Special City Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

**CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS, TEXAS:**

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Michael D. Blomquist, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Julie Helsham, City Secretary

CITY COUNCIL: Meeting  
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