

**MINUTES
WATAUGA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2022
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7105 WHITLEY ROAD
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The Workshop Meeting of the City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The meeting convened with the following members present:

Arthur L. Miner	Mayor
Lovie Downey	Mayor Pro Tem/Council Member Place 3
Pat Shelbourne	Council Member Place 1 (Absent with notice)
Tom Snyder	Council Member Place 2 (Absent with notice)
Andrew Neal	Council Member Place 4
Vacant	Council Member Place 5
Mark Taylor	Council Member Place 6
Jan Hill	Council Member Place 7 Late 5:32 p.m.

and

Linda Proskey	City Secretary
Bradley Fraley	Chief Information Officer
Sandra Gibson	Finance Director
David Berman	City Attorney

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Announcements

PRESENTATIONS

1. Local Option Residence Homestead Exemption Presentation

Ms. Gibson presented this item to the council. Council Member Taylor inquired about how this could affect the tax rate and shifting the burden to others that don't own a home. Ms. Gibson clarified these questions and went into detail about economic growth and the tax rate. Mayor Miner inquired about disabled veterans and that exemption. Ms. Gibson addressed this. Mayor Pro Tem Downey concurred with Council Member Taylor about the tax rate, economic growth, and shifting the burden is not going to help the city but drive business away. She thanked Ms. Gibson for all the work and detail placed in the presentation. Mayor Miner also thanked Ms. Gibson for the presentation and seeing no further discussion move to adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

APPROVED: this 25 day of July, 2022.

SIGNED: this 26 day of July, 2022.

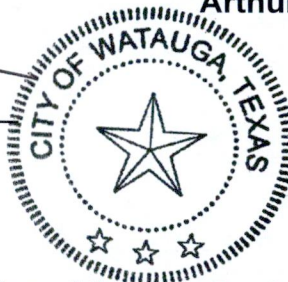
APPROVED:

Arthur L. Miner /s/

Arthur L. Miner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Proskey /s/
Linda Proskey, City Secretary



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