



# EVERMAN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM  
213 North Race Street Everman, TX 76140

## AGENDA

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**2. INVOCATION**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A.** Minutes

February 11, 2025 Regular Meeting

February 25, 2025 Regular Meeting

**B.** Financials

February 2025

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**A.** Proclamation - Child Abuse Awareness Month

**B.** Swearing In Ceremony - Everman Fire Department

**6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

**7. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A.** Monthly Departmental Report

Police Department

Fire Department

Public Works

Code Compliance/Animal Services

**B.** Discussion and Deliberation of Garbage, Waste, and Recycling Services for the City of Everman

**C.** Staff Report - Update on the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council

**8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**A.** Actions Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, or Committees

## 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Texas Government Code section 551.087 – Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations – to discuss or deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the EEDC seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which it is conducting economic development negotiations, to wit: Timberview Farmstead

## 10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

## 11. CITY MANAGERS REPORT

## 12. MAYOR’S REPORT

## 13. ADJOURN

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/s/ Mindi Parks  
City Secretary

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## MINUTES

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**2. INVOCATION**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

A. Proclamation - Black History Month

Mayor Richardson read out and presented to council the Proclamation for Black History Month.

**6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

**7. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. **\*PUBLIC HEARING\*** - Discussion and Deliberation of Garbage, Waste, and Recycling Services for the City of Everman

Mayor Richardson opened up the Public Hearing at 6:05pm.

City Manager, Craig Spencer stated that we are seeking a renewal for the Garbage, Waste, and Recycling Services with our current provider. Craig stated that Abel Moreno, the District Manager with Waste Connections which is our current provider, is here with us today. This is the first Public Hearing, and the second one will be on February 25th and the final Ordinance considered for adoption will be March 11th. The last meeting the direction from council was to get with Waste Connections and negotiate the contract and since then Craig has met with Abel, and he has worked and put together some pricing for us. Craig did want to add that the current contract has had us locked in and we have avoided the inflation that has happened everywhere. We will have a bit of an increase and this is billed straight to the citizens through the water bill so Craig wants to make sure we have public hearings and get citizens input. At this time Abel Moreno presented to council the different pricing that Waste Connections has and also the difference between Cart service and take all service. The Take all service is what the city currently has and that does make a difference in price compared to the cart service. The take all service requires more work and more people on the truck and that is costing the company more money so the take all is going to go up. The current rate that the city pays now is \$17.50 for residential rates. Abel handed out the scenarios that they have come up with, that the city can choose from. Scenario #1 is a proposed rate for the first year at \$21.70. The second year they would ask for \$23.83 rate and then every year after in the 5 year contract would depend on the CPI. This is the service that the citizens in Everman currently get which is Take all trash twice a week, and once a week carted recycling with bulk pick-up once a

week at least 2 cubic feet. Scenario #2 would be twice a week cart pick-up, and every resident would receive a cart. This cart was visible at the meeting for everyone to see, and the recycling one time per week and this rate would be \$18.55. This also includes bulk pick-up once a week up to six yards. Moving to Scenario #3, this would be twice a week cart pick-up, no recycling and once a month bulk and this up to 6 yards. This rate is \$16.50. Abel did want to state for the record that only 50% of the citizens of Everman only recycle out of 2,000 residents. There are no questions at this time. Abel moved on to Scenario #4 which is Cart pick-up for trash once a week and recycling once a week and bulk pick-up once a month up to 6 yards with a rate of \$13.50. Scenario #5 is cart pick-up once a week with no recycling and bulk pick-up once a month up to 6 yards at \$11.00 rate. Abel also wanted to add that the carts would hold the trash that is being put out by the residents in Everman currently also if they did decide to change to the carts. Abel did go into the commercial rates and this will affect those customers and the roll offs as well. The commercial rate is at \$4.45 per business and this rate will increase to \$5.77. Abel did state these are soft numbers and he did leave room for negotiations if council wants to do so. Council did ask Abel, if they did do away with the recycling would there be an option for the ones that do want to continue recycling and how much would that cost. Abel did say that there is an option for them to post up roll offs in city designated areas for citizens to recycle and this would be at no cost or they could open a subscription for recycling also. The spots usually are at places like the police departments where there is cameras for these recycle drop offs. At this time Abel ended his presentation and left it open for questions. A citizen, Felipe approached council and asked if the big crane pick-up could be an option for the citizens for bulk trash since there is a lot of it and it would help the community a lot. Craig stated that he will have Abel come up and answer all the questions but he does believe that we do have that option with just a call to Waste Connections. Janice Hope also approached council and just wanted to say that she has watched the Waste Connection employees and they work so hard in the cold and heat and they pick up heavy things and she just wants them to know that she really appreciates them very much. She also stated that citizens do not put out their trash correctly and they should. Abel did come back to the podium and addressed the question on the bulk trash. He did remind everyone that the citizens can use the landfill up to four times a year for free. This was only used 58 times last year. The services that they do have can give them the option to do away with these things and save the city some money by going to the carts. No jobs would be lost with the cart option as well. The ability of the claw truck can be used by a subscription and this would be about \$50 to \$35 a yard depending on what is set out. All the Scenario's do include the clean-ups that we do have twice a year at our Park. At this time Craig asked for guidance from council or citizens on which way they may be thinking to help out staff and council on the decision. Craig did say that he is suggesting scenario 2 or 3. Renfro and Mackey are suggesting scenario 3. This will be an ongoing discussion next meeting and Craig just wants council to really think about these option and what is already being utilized and what is not to save the citizens money with the trash service. Craig did urge citizens to contact city hall in the next two weeks to give their opinion on this. The next discussion and Public Hearing is February 25th. Judy Greeson did approach council on the concern of being elderly and having to pull the cart to the curb and she doesn't have much and it is hard for her and she likes to leave the bags. Mayor did express that Abel did say that they do offer the service of them coming up to their house for that for elderly people. Janice Hope did express that there is an issue of the carts being left out now and with us going with carts how would that affecting the neighborhood and it is easier to put the bags rather than dragging the carts to the street. She just wanted to share that thought. There are no more comments and Mayor Richardson closed the Public Hearing at 6:47pm.

B. Presentation of the Everman Police Department 2024 Racial Profiling Report

City Manager Craig Spencer provided the council with the 2024 Racial Profiling Report. According to the state law we are required to provide this copy of the report. The Police Department contracts with Dr. Alex Del Carmen, Del Carmen Consulting, LLC and he is the state expert in Racial Profiling and help write the Sandra Bland Act which we are required to

comply with. We do consult with him to do our reports on our citations and to conduct the analysis of the Racial Profiling Report. Craig just took council to page 30 of the report which indicates a good finding and that the Everman Police Department has complied with the Texas Racial Profiling Law and all its requirements. This report will be made public on the cities website after this meeting. Council had no questions concerning this report.

- C. Receive report from the Charter Review Commission on proposed Charter Amendments for consideration during the May 2025 general election cycle.

City Manager Craig Spencer stated that we do have some members present at the meeting tonight from the Charter Review Commission. They have worked very hard going through the entire Charter in length and depth and asking a lot of questions and proposing a lot of thoughts and ideas. As a result, the Charter Commissions has five proposed amendments to the City of Everman Charter. Craig stated that Judith Graham is present tonight at the meeting and she is the President of the Charter Review Commission. Craig is going to go through these amendments and she is here to answer any questions that the council may have. Here are the proposed amendments as follows,

Proposition A- Shall Article III, Section 3.02 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to provide monthly compensation for the Mayor of \$800.00 per month and monthly compensation for each City Council member of \$300.00 per month?

Johnnie Allen asked why the increase in the pay? Judith Graham explained the reason behind this is that the council has more than two meetings a month on some basis like Budget months for example, and also they have more than just the meetings that they have to commit to. Inflation is another reason and they still get paid a very conservative rate. The last increase was in 2020. This budget impact would be \$18,000 for the year but this would reflect the budget after the election and this would only impact this budget very little to non. There were other questions from the council.

Proposition B- Shall Article III, Section 3.08 of the Home Rule Charter be amended at subsection C to reflect that a special meeting of the City Council may be called by the City Secretary on the written request of the Mayor or any three City Council members?

This was initiated by the city attorney. This is in line with other cities stated by our city attorney Victoria Thomas present at the meeting tonight and she does not know of any other city that allows one single council member call a special meeting. Susan Mackey did want clarification that this is only for Special meetings and not a single item for discussion on an agenda. Craig stated that is correct, it is only for special called meetings.

Proposition C- Shall Article IV, Section 4.05 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that any person who has been finally convicted of a felony for which the person has not been pardoned or had the resulting disabilities removed shall not be eligible to run for or qualified to hold office on the City Council?

This is also something initiated by the city attorney and to keep in line with state law. There were no questions from the council.

Proposition D- Shall Article VIII, Section 8.01 of the Home Rule Charter be amended at subsection B to clarify that all Board and Commission members are appointed for a two-year term, with no term limits, subject to the City Council's discretion to remove any member at its discretion at any time?

The city attorney also initiated this amendment. This originally had a misspelled word and this also initially cleans it up and makes it clear. No changes. There were no questions from the council.

Proposition E- Shall Article XII, Section 12.10 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to prohibit acceptance of any gift, favor, privilege, or employment valued at \$50 or more, excluding cash, gift cards and negotiable instruments, which cannot be accepted regardless of the value?

This bring it in lines with state law. There were no questions from the council

The council took this time to thank the Commission for their time and hard work.

- D. Discuss and deliberate on the potential abandonment of certain right-of-way located in the 100 Block of Roy C. Brooks Blvd for the purposes of development.

City Manager Craig Spencer stated that they have been working with the City Attorneys office and City Engineering office to bring this before you tonight to simply make the council aware and to address any questions you may have before this is brought back, hopefully by the next meeting have a proposed Ordinance to abandon a right-of-way. If council is not aware, the Advance Cast Stone has acquired the old Bags Supply building located on Enon Avenue and Roy C. Brooks and currently working on expanding their operations to that building. They have a need and desire to expand the lot of theirs and they want to add a fence around it to secure their stuff. They need a few more feet to get exactly what they need. They did approach the city about potentially abandon that right-of-way and granting it over to them so that they can move on with that project. At this time, Craig displayed a picture of this section and layout of what they are asking for so council could see. This would have no affect on any future roadway expansions. Craig stated that he hopes to have this back to the council by the next meeting with an Ordinance and exhibit with a recommendation of approval. Craig did note from a question that Council woman Renfro had, and that is when the city abandons the right-of-way this will by right go to the immediate adjacent property which is Advance Cast Stone. If there is utilities, which we are waiting on the current moment to get back then the city may not be able to abandon the right-of-way. We are waiting on the letter of "No Utility Objections". There was no more discussion on this item.

**8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- A. Consider approval, authorizing the Mayor and the President of the Planning and Zoning Commission to attend the Focus North Texas 2025 Conference scheduled for February 21, 2025 at the Westin Galleria in Dallas, Texas; in accordance with the City of Everman City Council, Boards, Commissions, and Committees Rules and Procedures; Article 10. Training

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders authorizing the Mayor and the President of the Planning and Zoning Commission to attend the Focus North Texas 2025 Conference scheduled for February 21, 2025.

Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers

Voting Abstaining: Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- B. Discuss, Deliberate, and Consider the acquisition of Audio Visual Modular Furniture from StandsAndMounts.com in the amount of up to \$8,705.00 for meetings of the City Council, Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 5 Sellers.

Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

C. Staff Report - Frost Bank Home Event

Craig just wanted to inform council that the city is working with Frost Bank, the city bank and Craig and Susanne Helgesen have met with them and are talking about us hosting an Home Event here at the Civic Center. This would be a free event. This would give our residents a chance to come learn about home improvement, and financing options. This would also be a good opportunity for residents to hear from Code Enforcement on tips and tricks for their home as well. Looking to host this on May 17th.

D. ORDINANCE NO. 826 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REPEALING AND REPLACING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 3 TITLED "ANIMALS AND ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS"; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

E. ORDINANCE NO. 827 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING APPENDIX A TITLED "FEE SCHEDULE" BY ADDING A NEW SECTION ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL ANIMAL SERVICES FEEES;" PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 5 Sellers.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

F. ORDINANCE NO. 828 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING AND CALLING FOR THE MAY 3, 2025 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS; AUTHORIZING A JOINT ELECTION WITH OTHER TARRANT COUNTY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS; AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH TARRANT COUNTY; PROVIDING A RUNOFF DATE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

G. ORDINANCE NO. 829 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING AND CALLING FOR THE MAY 3, 2025 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING BEFORE THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN A PROPOSITION TO VOTE FOR OR AGAINST REAUTHORIZING A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS; AUTHORIZING A JOINT ELECTION WITH OTHER TARRANT COUNTY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS; AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES



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City Manager Craig Spencer read out on the record at this time the Ordinance No. 829 since there is a revision on this Ordinance.

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- H. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EVERMAN AND THE EVERMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF POLICE SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- I. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ONCOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ELEVEN CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC.

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 5 Sellers.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- J. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EVERMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT TO SERVE AS A TRAINING PROVIDER; AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- K. Actions Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, or Committees.

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders to approve the appointment Peggy Mackey to the Senior Citizens Advisory Board with an expiration date of November 1st, 2027.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**10. CITY MANAGERS REPORT**

City Manager Craig Spencer has nothing to report.

**11. MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Richardson had nothing to report.

**12. ADJOURN**

Mayor Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:37pm.

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## MINUTES

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Mayor Ray Richardson called meeting to order at 6:05pm.

**2. INVOCATION**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A. Minutes

January 14, 2025 Regular Meeting

January 25, 2025 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 5 Sellers.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

B. Financials

December 2024

January 2025

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 6 Davila.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson  
Voting Nay: Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen

Motion Carried.

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**5. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Earl Walker had comments on the trash service. He approached council and asked what happens to the recycle bin on option 3 if we choose to go with that Option? Question 2, can we use the recycle bin for bulk pick-up? Question 3, which companies are in the running for the Garbage pick-up? Question 4, how do we get straight answers from the people responsible for picking up our garbage, how do we get our garbage picked up when it falls on a holiday? Earl stated that he would appreciate some answers and for the council to think it over.

**6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Monthly Departmental Reports

Police Department

Fire Department

Public Works

Code Compliance/Animal Services

Brooks presented the council with the Police Department stats from January 29h through February 25th. This would include 1740 calls for service. Brooks also touched on 8 traffic crisis and 12 disturbance calls. There were a few stolen vehicles and a few were stolen out of different cities and dumped here. Task forces have been called in for a dump site that has been located and about 45 to 50 cars have been identified in this ring. This will be ongoing for a while. He went over a lot of the calls and some citations and assist reports. He also went over some training and achievements for some officers as well. Council woman Allen asked if the cars stolen are being stole at night or daytime and Brooks just stated that the ones being recovered are stolen from other cities and they are being recovered in Everman.

Code Compliance/Animal Services report started with Animal Control and this report was for the month of January. This report contained a total of 99 calls that were received for services. One of these were a investigated dog bite. They took in 48 dogs, 10 cats. The live release rate was 76% and a majority of those were feral cats. The dogs were 100% live and release. There were 36 adoptions and back to owners. There was no update on the Code Enforcement for January. Council had no questions or comments.

Fire Department report was for the month of February 2025 and this report contained calls for service January 28th through February 21st. Total calls were 114 and the average response time is down to 4 minutes and 48 seconds and this includes county and city. Landon also went over incidents and that is a total of 11. He then went over call types and what the calls were. As for staffing, he is working on getting positions filled and he has some good candidates and the interviewing and assessments will be going on here at the Civic Center tomorrow. Next council meeting he should have some badges to put on. The staffing is getting back to full and he is excited about that.

B. **\*PUBLIC HEARING\*** - Discussion and Deliberation of Garbage, Waste, and Recycling Services for the City of Everman

Mayor called public hearing at 6:21pm.

At this time Craig informed council that he has provided them with some questions and comments that he printed out from the Facebook post on the cities page so that they can review those public discussions as well tonight.

Abel Moreno, District Manager for Waste Connections approached council to address the questions that have come up. Abel started with those questions and the first one was, what is going to happen to the recycle bins if we do pick an option with no recycling? Abel stated that he will have those bins picked up on a regular trash day if that is chosen. The second question was, could the recycle bin be used for bulk trash, and Abel explained that after the transition if they wanted to they absolutely could. In regards to the third question on the companies that are in the running, Waste Connections rated very high but it is the cities right to go out for RFP. Waste Connections have been with the city since 2005 and we have a very outstanding

relationship with the City of Everman. Abel also stated that the next question was about getting a straight answer for Earl Walker and he will meet with Earl Walker after the meeting to make sure he gets the answers that he is seeking and has his contact information. Abel also answered about the garbage service on the holidays, and there is no change for the holidays and if they choose to go to carts, they will make exceptions the day after holiday's for extra bags for the extra excessive amount of garbage. Those were all the answers to the questions so at this time, Abel recapped on the information from the last council meeting as well. He went over the stats on what the average household in Everman holds in pounds of trash which is 42.3 pounds per week. This would be equivalent to 4 kitchen trash bags of trash. He had the cart there at the meeting to show the residents and staff to see the size because this is what they will be provided. He then went to the recycling stats for the households in the City of Everman and that is about 11 pounds per week. Only 50% of the City of Everman residents utilize recycling. He then stated that there is a 40% contamination rate for recycling. Abel also stated that the Scenario options from the last meeting still stands and displayed those on the screen for residents present to see. Abel did state that it is the city staff and councils decision to choose these options. At this time he did go over those options again and explained the services and prices difference on the different scenario's. He completed that and asked everyone if they had any questions for him. Council woman Allen did asked if she had bags of leaves how would she do that and Abel explained that she could use bulk day for that which is once a month. This would be available for every scenario except for the current service scenario that we have now. Going to the cart option allows more bulk pick-up since it is once a month. it is 4 cubic yards at this time and it would go to 6 cubic yards a month. Craig did ask Abel, how many cities are take all service compared to cart service and he is just asking a rough estimate and if he had any honest citizen feedback for this and not from the cities? Abel stated that currently they have ten cities that are take all services and we are one of them and six cities that have transitioned over to carts. Abel did say that the first sixty days of the transition that we will hear a lot of things and how they do not like it. After those days, they love it. They realize what help it is and how much they can put in it. The trash is secure and rodents can't get in it and the city stays nicer and cleaner. Craig also wanted to add for council to think about, is the price increase staying with the take all service we currently have. The first increase is four dollars but you also have to think about the years after to come and what those increases could be and those will add up for our residents. The cheaper scenarios will have increases but at a smaller rate and only with the CPI increase. Abel did also add that he no longer bids on commercial take all services, he will only bid on commercial cart services. Council woman Renfro asked Abel about the residents that are senior citizens and on a fixed income and we have 316 in the city and she asked if he could give a proposal on a discount for them on trash service and on the scenario that we do decide on. Abel stated that he will look into that and this is part of being a partner with the City of Everman. t this time Mayor redirected Abel to some questions from a resident that was dropped off to the City Secretary and she will read off the questions that she had for him. First question is, why do they pick-up recycling and trash together? Abel stated that they do have onboard cameras on the truck, when that hopper picks up the recycle cart it looks indie that cart and if there is contamination in that cart, the driver will set the cart down and will not service it and radio to trash driver and have them come pick it up since they clearly see the contamination in it. Second question is, with the new rates will the senior citizens still get the discount on the water bill? third question is, that having one cart with the pick-up once a week and no recycling would there still be a place to go and would they be able to still use the landfill? Craig wanted to address two of those questions. The city does offer a discount on the water bill at this time and this is applied to the water side of the bill and not to the trash service part of the bill and this would have no impact on that discount side of the water bill. Craig also stated that if the city does elect to go away from the recycling, then yes, there would be a local collection point for them to go to take their recycles and it would be at no cost to the resident. Abel added that if a resident feels they did something wrong with the help of their cameras they can show the resident and also identify the problem and take care of it. At this time Norm approached council which is Abel's boss and just thanked the city for letting him service them and he looks forward to many more years of service with the City of Everman since we have been with him since his day one in

the trash business. Council had no questions for him. Craig stated that the final ordinance will come before them March 11th for their approval. If they are not satisfied at that point they will have the time and trash service will continue but we do need to get this done. Mayor and council at this time to deliberate on this matter. At this time Mayor asked if there were any residents that had comments to make on the trash deliberation. We have Patsy Stockman with the question, will they still pick-up from her garage door like they do now? Abel explained that nothing will change for the handicap and the elderly, if they get this service now it will continue. Next we had Judith Graham and she just wanted to make the comment that she is opposed to the city NOT doing recycling. She stated that if anyone has seen the landfills they would know how important recycling is now and for our children and to protect our world. She believes this should be mandatory. Next, Patsy Malone asked if the 40% of people that don't recycle, do they pay for the service? Craig stated that a 100% of the residents do pay for recycling and only 50% of those use the service and only 60% of the ones that do, use it the right way, so 30% of the ones that recycle, recycle the correct way in the City of Everman. Next we had Alberto Azual and he stated the he is happy with the service and he is fine with not recycling. He has never had an issue and he is fine with the fees going up and he understands. We also had Earl Walker with a question. He asked when the carts are picked up and the extra time their revving of the engines and if they are deiseal or gas. He also stated that people are not going to recycle and even at the landfill they don't recycle. There were no more residents with comments at this time. At this time, the City Manager asked council if they could just stat which way they are leaning towards as far as "take all" or "carts" and if they want to keep or eliminate recycling. Pro-Tem Mackey asked council how they feel about "Take all" or "carts"? Council woman Davila stated that the feedback that she has gotten form residents is that they would like it to stay the same, and she feels the same way. Council Woman Sanders stated that she like Scenario #2. Council woman Renfro stated that she likes the "take all" but, she would like to see the senior citizens get a discount. Council woman Allen would like to see it stay the way it is without recycling. Council woman Sellers would like to see it stay the same but also see the price without recycling as well. Pro-Tem Mackey likes the 'take all" and she does like to recycle but has some issues with it but she does not want to fight a second cart. She also got some resident input and they all want to stay with the "take all" as well. All council looks like they are all in with the "take all". Council woman Renfro asked Abel if they could get a price with "take all" without recycling and see what they can do for the senior citizens. Council Member Davila confirmed at this time regardless of what option if they do away with recycling they will set a remote spot for free for the citizens that want to continue to recycle or they could get a subscription that would allow the pick-up at the home to continue, whatever the resident decides but they still have the free option to go to. This is correct. Council woman Allen also confirmed that this would include the two city wide clean-ups that already take place a year. That information is correct and that would still continue. Mayor Richardson stated that he would like to keep it as is, with recycling. City Manager Craig Spencer stated that the majority of the feedback here is to go back to Abel and bring back two options to bring back to council for consideration and option one would be "take all" service with recycling as it stands today and option 2 being "take all" service with no recycling with the senior citizens discount on both. Council is all in agreeance on this and this is the direction we needed to move forward.

Mayor closed public hearing at 7:00pm.

**7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- A. ORDINANCE NO. 830 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, CHAPTER 20 "UTILITIES" BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XII "ADOPTION OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF FORT WORTH CITY CODE"; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY

CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE .

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- B. ORDINANCE NO. 831 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, CHAPTER 19 "TRAFFIC," AT ARTICLE II "OPERATION OF VEHICLES" BY ADDING A NEW DIVISION 3 "DRIVING ON SIDEWALK OR CURB PROHIBITED" AND AT ARTICLE III "STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING" BY AMENDING SECTION 19-77 AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 19-82 "PARKING ON SIDEWALK OR CURB PROHIBITED"; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE .

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 6 Davila.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- C. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02-04 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FIVE CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 6 Davila.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- D. Actions Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, or Committees.

Motion made by Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Seconded by Place 1 Sanders to approve the reappointment of Judy Sellers as our Everman Citizens and Alan Pierce as our Animal Welfare Organization members with an expiration date of becoming 2-6-2027.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila, Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

- E. Consider approval, authorizing the Mayor to attend the Texas Emergency Management Conference

Motion made by Place 5 Sellers, Seconded by Place 6 Davila.  
Voting Yea: Place 1 Sanders, Place 2 Renfro, Place 3 Allen, Place 4; Mayor Pro-Tem Mackey, Place 5 Sellers, Place 6 Davila  
Voting Abstaining: Mayor Richardson

Motion Carried.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION



**9. CITY MANAGERS REPORT**

Craig stated as they know we have partnered with the Forest Hill Library District and for the second time they have been recognized for the TMLDA Award which is an award given out by the Texas Library Association. We are very proud and excited about that and this partnership and they have so much available to the citizens. He is letting people know to go check the Library out. Planning and zoning meeting coming up with a change so put this on their radar and Budget is coming up.

**10. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**11. ADJOURN**

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/s/ Mindi Parks  
City Secretary

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- B. Section 551.072 - Purchase, Sale, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property.
- C. Section 551.073 - Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift.
- D. Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters.
- E. Section 551.087- Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
- F. Section 551.089 - Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits.

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