

The City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas met in special session on Monday, September 30, 2019 at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring St., Columbus, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor	-	Lori An Gobert
Mayor Pro Tem	-	Chuck Rankin
Councilman	-	Keith Cummings
Councilman	-	Michael Ridlen (Absent)
Councilman	-	Gary Swindle
Councilwoman	-	Sandra Frnka
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Bana Schneider

Other City Staff Present:

Police Chief	-	Skip Edman
Code Enforcement	-	Richard LaCourse
Public Works	-	Michael Poncik
Utilities	-	Jody Ripper

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Lori An Gobert called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Gobert led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

3. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.¹

There were no public comments.

4. Consideration and Action to Approve the Closure of Myra Jane Drive on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Sunday, November 17, 2019 for an Outdoor Concert at Blake Street.

City Manager, Donald Warschak, projected a Google map of the proposed street closure for easier demonstration. Blake Schulte showed Council his sight plan for the event. The Fire Marshal's office provided Council with a map of a designated fire access lane required to be maintained during the event. There was discussion regarding the placement of barricades and no-parking signs. Councilwoman Frnka asked about parking. Schulte stated he thought there would be room especially after HEB closes. Chief Edman commented no-parking signs placed on private property were not enforceable by the police department.

Councilman Swindle made a motion to approve the street closure as requested. Councilman Cummings seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmen Cummings, Swindle, and Rankin; Councilwoman Frnka
Absent: Councilman Ridlen

The motion passed.

5. Items from Councilmembers.²

Councilman Cummings – None

Councilman Ridlen – Absent

Councilman Swindle – None

Councilwoman Frnka – None

Councilman Rankin – None

Mayor Gobert – None

6. Announcements.

City Secretary, Bana Schneider stated Tuesday, October 15th will be the next regular meeting. Monday October 14th, City offices will be closed in observance of Columbus, Day.

7. Adjournment.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.



Mayor, Lori An Gobert

ATTEST:



Bana Schneider, City Secretary

¹During this agenda item, citizens may comment for the record on items, which are not on the agenda. However, the Council may not participate in discussion or deliberation on any item that is not on the agenda. Citizens may request that a topic be added to a future agenda.

²Limited to statements. Issues raised by council members under this item cannot be deliberated by Council. The Open Meetings Act does not allow Council to deliberate items that don't appear on the agenda.