



Danny Lee, Mayor  
Julius Buckley, Position 1  
Roscoe Warrick Jr., Position 2,  
Eddie Lowery, Position 3,

Desiree David, Position 4  
Fred Terrell, Position 5  
Scott Swigert, City Manager  
Alice Rios, City Secretary  
Mary Ann Powell, City Attorney

1. Roll Call – All present
2. Invocation – Pastor Thelma Daniels (Faithful & True Fellowship)
3. Pledge – American flag by Eddie Lowery, Texas flag by Roscoe Warrick Jr.
4. Presentation 30-year Anniversary for Travis Strickland – Presented by Mayor Danny Lee and Fire Chief Sean Anderson
5. Public Comments - *Any person with City related business may speak to Council. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not discuss, or vote on any matter raised in public comments unless it is specifically on the agenda. To speak during a council meeting, you must be recognized by the Presiding Officer.*
6. Clint Pendleton – purchased Philip Cameron’s property east of town on 321 needs to be put on the Agenda to complete the De-Annexation or discuss City Services. Jeremy Wright with Smith Towing, wanted to thank the City and Council for the Towing Committee.  
**PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON.**
7. Waste Management presentation digital updates – Tiana Smith spoke about promoting the digital service contact whose name is Lisa. They also have live / virtual chat. Trucks are also serviced with eight cameras, and access to videos. Currently confirming all service address.
8. Reports by members of Council to which no action will be taken.  
Fred Terrell spoke of 1. Variance for First Baptist Church. Currently it is a Historical area and would like to remain as is. Could be done to insure it remains Historical verses Commercial. 2. Observation Area at the Airport. 3. Repairs on the Quonset Hut at the Airport.  
Julius Buckley spoke of Parks and Recreation Board, they will be doing repairs at Samuel Wiley Park. The Board will meet quarterly if needed instead of monthly.  
Eddie Lowery spoke and thanked the City of Cleveland said it is great to live in a small town. His oldest daughter passing away over the weekend and thanked the City for all the calls and flowers.  
Mayor Danny Lee thanked all the City employees for all the hard work they do. Keep doing what you’re doing.
9. Public hearing on the proposed FY2024 Tax Rate – none at this time

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

*All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.*

### **Consideration and possible action on (following):**

10. Approval of Financial Statements
  - a. July 2023
11. Approval of Minutes for the following

- a. Orientation City Council Meeting July 13<sup>th</sup> 2023
- b. August 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 Workshop – correction was made to state that Fred Terrell was not present. Once correction made minutes can be posted.
- c. City Council Meeting August 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 corrections made to show who voted for and against. Once correction made minutes can be posted.
- d. Special Called City Council Workshop August 29<sup>th</sup> 2023

Motion made to approve Consent Agenda (after corrections have been made to minutes item b.) by Fred Terrell, second by Julius Buckley. All in favor – motion passes.

### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON (FOLLOWING)**

12. Approved proposed Agreement with Ameresco for Meter/AMI – Chad Nobles with Ameresco gave a presentation. Spoke of the automatic meter reading system that the City starting using but was never completed due to some challenges they ran into. Such as meters past useful life, operational inefficiencies and unknown scope work. AMI reduces operational costs by eliminating manual process and reduces billing errors. Julius Buckley asked if we do decide to move forward is there funding such as Grants? Chad Nobles did say there are tools out there to help us with funding and will work with us. Mayor asked how many meters do we have in the City of Cleveland? Roger Brookes did say approximately three thousand. Mayor asked how long would it take to convert them? Chad said the average about 300 to 600 meters a week. Chad did say the biggest challenge right now is product / delivery. Fred asked when the processed was started 5 years ago what happened? Are we starting over? Roger Brookes said we aren't starting over we are using a system that is compatible to what we already have. Fred said someone has to be trained and educated to use this system. Roger Brookes said we do have employees that are capable of programing and installing meters. Pam Harrison said once the meters are installed the water administration has to manually input the information. We've had a high turn over in staff but we are aware that it needs to be up to date. Scott did say that in the current year budget the Council did approve funding to finish out half the project then do the other half later. It was found out that the meter boxes weren't included in the price that they had budgeted which is about half a million dollars' worth of products that weren't included in the funds. Which caused us to be short in funding. Scott Swigert visited with Chad Nobles at a conference. Council needs to consider using some of the funds that we currently have to be used towards this project. Fred asked what is the time line to have this completed? Chad answered at least 9 months to 1 year depending on the time it takes to get the material. Julius Buckley made the motion to approve the Proposed Agreement. Second by Desiree David. Motion passes 5-0
13. TIRZ1 Reimbursement – Scott Swigert spoke of the reimbursement and confirmed that the invoices for engineering design have been completed which is the first step. The TIRZ 1 Board members meet and reviewed/approved. Fred Terrell made the motion to pay the TIRZ 1 Reimbursement. Second by Roscoe Warrick Jr. Motion passed 5-0.
14. Adopting the Tow Truck Ordinance – Roscoe Warrick Jr. asked how were the Tow Truck Companies chosen. Chief Broussard explained in detail that this has been in place for many years. Julius Buckley made the motion to accept the revised Tow Ordinance to comply with the new State laws from 20 mins not 25 mins. Second by Eddie Lowery. Motion passes 5-0
15. Contract amendment with SafeBuilt for Code Enforcement Services – Danielle Lewis spoke of receiving applicants but that they didn't meet the qualifications required. A contract between the City of Cleveland and SafeBuilt to fill the Code Enforcement Office position. 2 days a week 4 hours a day. Motion made by Eddie Lowery, second by Julius Buckley. Motion passes 5-0