

**City of West Orange
Tuesday, December 7, 2021
Special Session**

**West Orange Community Center
2700 Western Avenue (rear entrance)
West Orange, Texas
5:00 P.M.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Randy Branch
Shirley Bonnin
Meritta Kennedy
Michael Shugart, Sr.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dale Dardeau
Brent Dearing

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Chris Leavins
Theresa Van Meter
Jon Sherwin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dan Perrine
Gail Langton
Jane Branch
Jay Odom

Call to Order

Mayor Branch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Council Member Bonnin gave the invocation. The mayor then led in the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

Consent Agenda

Discussion and Possible Action on approval of the minutes of the November 8, 2021 Council meeting – These minutes were unanimously approved by vote after a motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Kennedy, followed by a second from Council Member Shugart. The mayor called for a vote. The minutes were unanimously approved into record.

Regular Session

Discussion and Possible Action on retaining Jonathan Richard as a full-time employee of the City – Council Member Shugart made a motion that Jonathan Richard be retained as a full-time employee of the City. Mayor Pro-Tem Kennedy made a second to his motion. Mr. Sherwin stated that Mr. Richard is an employee of the Sanitation Department. Mayor Branch then called for a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on entering into a Professional Service Agreement with Whiteley-Oliver Engineering – Council Member Shugart made a motion that the City enter into a Professional Service Agreement with Whiteley-Oliver Engineering. Mayor Pro-Tem Kennedy made a second to his motion. Mayor Branch then called for a vote on the motion, which passed unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance No.463, an Ordinance annexing certain described territory to the City of West Orange, Texas and extending the boundary limits of said city so as to include said described property within said city limits; granting to all inhabitants of said property all rights and privileges of other citizens and binding said inhabitants by all acts, ordinances, resolutions and regulations of said city; and adopting a service plan

TRACT I:

**16 ABST. 16 STEPHEN JETT, TRACT 106C, ACRES 26.939
Orange County Appraisal District ID: R13799
Record Owner: Eagle Railcar Services-Orange, Texas, LLC**

TRACT II:

**ABST. 16 S. JETT SEE 62000-809251 TR 106A
809255, 809256-IMP.
Orange County Appraisal District ID: R14418
Record Owner: Eagle Railcar Services-Orange, Texas, LLC**

TRACT III:

**ABST. 16 S. JETT SEE 62000-809251 TR 108
809255, 809256-IMP
Orange County Appraisal District ID: R13802
Record Owner: Eagle Railcar Services-Orange, Texas, LLC**

TRACT IV:

**ABST. 16 S. JETT SEE 62000-809251 TR 106B
809255, 809256-IMP
Orange County Appraisal District No. R13796
Record Owner: Eagle Railcar Services-Orange, Texas, LLC**

TRACT V:

**ABST. 16 S. JETT SEE 62000-809251 TR 107
809255, 809256-IMP
Orange County Appraisal District No. R14419
Record Owner: Eagle Railcar Services-Orange, Texas, LLC**

Council Member Shugart made a motion that Ordinance No. 463 be adopted as presented. Council Member Bonnin seconded his motion. Council Member Shugart questioned whether or not any representatives from Eagle Railcar had attended any of the meetings or hearings pertaining to this annexation. He was told that they had not. With there being no further discussion on this issue, Mayor Branch called for a vote on the motion. Ordinance No. 463, an Ordinance annexing certain described territory to the City of West Orange, Texas and extending the boundary limits of said city so as to include said described property within said city limits; granting to all inhabitants of said property all rights and privileges of other citizens and binding said inhabitants by all acts, ordinances, resolutions and regulations of said city; and adopting a service plan was unanimously adopted as presented.

Announcements

Mayor Branch then made note of the following:

- All non-emergency departments of the City will be closed:
 - Thursday & Friday, December 23-24, 2021 in observance of Christmas
 - Thursday & Friday, December 30-31, 2021 in observance of New Year's
- Next Council meeting: Monday, January 10, 2022

Adjournment

With there being no further business to be brought before Council, the mayor adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m.



Randy Branch, Mayor

ATTEST:


Theresa Van Meter, City Secretary

