

**MINUTES  
OF  
CITY OF WHARTON  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 9, 2011**

Mayor Domingo Montalvo, Jr. declared a Special Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 6:00 P.M.

Councilmembers present were: Mayor Domingo Montalvo, Jr., Councilmembers Alfred Bryant, Terry David Lynch, Russell Machann, Don Mueller, and Karen Schultz.

Councilmember absent was: Jeff Gubbels.

Staff members present were: City Manager Andres Garza, Jr., Finance Director Joan Anandel, and City Secretary Paula Favors.

Visitors present were: Lewis Fortenberry, Jr.

The second item on the agenda was excused absences. Councilmember Al Bryant moved to excuse Councilmember Jeff Gubbels. Councilmember Karen Schulz seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The third item on the agenda was Budget Workshop: City of Wharton 2011-2012 Fiscal Year Budget:

- A. General Fund.
- B. Hotel Motel Fund.
- C. Narcotics Seizure Fund.
- D. Debt Fund.
- E. Capital Improvement Fund.
- F. Water & Sewer Fund.
- G. Solid Waste Fund.
- H. Emergency Medical Services Fund.
- I. Civic Center Fund.
- J. Airport Fund.

City Manager Andres Garza, Jr. stated that Finance Director Joan Anandel present the proposed 2011-2012 fiscal year budget details. City Manager Garza further stated that the proposed budget was balanced with the effective tax rate and without increasing the water or sewer rates. City Manager Garza stated the proposed budget included lease purchase agreements for three new patrol cars, salaries maintained at the same level, and the reinstatement of the \$500 flex benefit card to full time employees. Finance Director Joan Anandel presented information regarding the 2011-2012 fiscal year budget as follows:

- A. General Fund

Health Insurance would remain at the same benefit levels but would have a 5 % increase in premiums. Capital purchases would include \$40,000.00 a year for three new patrol cars and record management system for a total of three years.

B. Hotel Motel Fund

The hotel/motel fund would be increased from the 2010-2011 budget year bringing hotel revenues up to \$171,905.00

C. Narcotics Seizure Fund.

The narcotics seizure fund for the 2011-2012 proposed budget was \$23,239.

D. Debt Fund.

The debt fund for the 2011-2012 proposed budget was \$821,334, which was a \$105,084 increase from the 2010-2011 budget. The first year payment of the 2011 Bond issue was included.

E. Water & Sewer Fund.

Water sales were proposed to be at \$1,460,044.00 and sewer sales at \$1,373,878.00 for the 2011-2012 proposed budget year.

F. Solid Waste Fund.

The solid waste fund for 2011-2012 proposed budget would be \$1,310,100 which was a slight decrease from the 2010-2011 budget.

G. Emergency Medical Services Fund.

The emergency medical services fund 2011-2012 proposed budget was \$1,374,987, which included \$727,510 from the Wharton County Emergency Services District No. 3. The proposed budget included a team of six full time paramedics and six full time emergency medical technicians (EMTs).

H. Civic Center Fund.

The civic center fund 2011-2012 proposed budget was \$229,723. The budget included charges for services which decreased \$4,347 from the 2010-2011 budget. The revenue decreased in 2010-2011 budget year but showed promise with bookings in the 2011-2012 budget year.

I. Airport Fund.

The airport fund 2011-2012 proposed budget was \$228,855. The budget included charges for services of \$178,205. The RAMP grant program was expected to return at least \$50,000.00 back into the airport fund.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

**CITY OF WHARTON, TEXAS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**DOMINGO MONTALVO, JR.**  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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**Paula Favors**  
City Secretary