

**AGENDA  
 FERRIS CITY COUNCIL  
 CITY OF FERRIS  
 A GENERAL LAW MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE  
 STATE OF TEXAS, ELLIS COUNTY  
 AT THE  
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 215 W. SIXTH STREET, FERRIS, TEXAS 75125  
 6:00 P.M. MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FERRIS WILL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:00 P.M. ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2015 AT ITS REGULAR MEETING PLACE AT 215 W. SIXTH STREET, FERRIS, TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
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**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

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| 1. | Call to order.   | 0 |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invocation</li> <li>• Pledge of Allegiance</li> </ul> |   |
| 2. | Roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.   | 1 |

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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| 3. | All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the Mayor/City Manager to execute all matters necessary to implement each item. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and consideration by any member of the City Council. |   |
|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of May 4, 2015 City Council meeting</li> <li>• Expenditures for the period ending May 1, 2015</li> </ul>  | 2 |

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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PRESENTATION

5. Presentation of "Certificates of Appreciation" to Earth Day Volunteers.

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RECOGNITION

6. Recognition of the recent college graduation of Bill Jordan, Chief Building Official.

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COUNCIL BUSINESS

7. Canvass votes for the City of Ferris General Election held May 9, 2015.

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8. Discussion, consideration, and action as may be appropriate regarding Resolution No. R-15-185 declaring the results of the City of Ferris General Election held May 9, 2015.

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9. Mayor to issue Certificates of Election to the newly elected members of Council: Alderman, Place 2 – Jay Walsh, Alderman, Place 3 – Bobby Lindsey, and Alderman, Place 5 – Carol Wright.

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10. Swear in newly elected members of Council.

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11. Election of Mayor Pro Tem.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12. Announcement by the presiding officer that a closed meeting will take place as authorized by Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act – “Personnel Matters”. A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a city officer or employee, or to hear complaints or charges against such officer or employee, unless such officer or employee request a public hearing.
  - Discussion regarding the resignation of Dennis Burn, City Manager/Public Works Director, and a transition plan for replacement and all matters related thereto. Ø
13. Adjourn the Public Meeting. Ø
14. Conduct Executive Session as authorized by Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act – “Personnel Matters”.
  - Discussion regarding the resignation of Dennis Burn, City Manager/Public Works Director, and a transition plan for replacement and all matters related thereto. Ø
15. Reconvene into Open Session. Ø
16. Action as a result of above-listed Executive Session. Ø

**CLOSING**

17. Adjourn. Ø

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**Executive Session Reservation**

The City Council reserves the right to convene into an Executive Session (closed to the public) as authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.

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**Disability Assistance and Accommodation**

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the City Secretary at (972) 544-2110 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

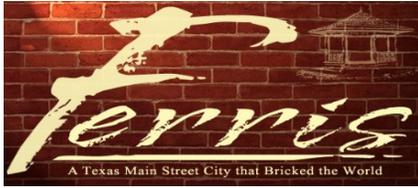
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I, DESTINY LUSK WRIGHT, HEREBY  
CERTIFY THE FOREGOING NOTICE  
WAS POSTED ON OR BEFORE THE  
15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2015 BY 5:00 P.M.



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DESTINY LUSK WRIGHT  
CITY SECRETARY



# City Council

## Meeting Attendance Record 2014-2015

City Council		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.		Jan.		Feb.		March		Apr.		May		June		July		Aug.		Sept.	
Title	Name	6	20	3	17	1	15	5	20	2	17	2	16	6	20	4	18	1	15	6	20	3	17	8	21
Mayor	Micheal Driggers	P	A	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Mayor Pro Tem	James Starr	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Alderman, Place 2	Jay Walsh	P	P	P	P	-	A	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Alderman, Place 3	Angela Bruner	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Alderman, Place 4	Gary Ross	P	A	P	A	-	P	-	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P									
Alderman, Place 5	Carol Wright	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Total:		6	4	6	5	-	5	-	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	6									

City Staff		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.		Jan.		Feb.		March		Apr.		May		June		July		Aug.		Sept.	
Title	Name	6	20	3	17	1	15	5	20	2	17	2	16	6	20	4	18	1	15	6	20	3	17	8	21
City Manager	Dennis Burn	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
City Secretary	Destiny Wright	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
City Attorney	Kent Hofmeister	P	A	A	A	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A									
Fire Chief	Tim Birdwell	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
I.T. Director	Doug Childers	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Eco. Dev. Coordinator	Chuck Dart	P	P	P	A	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Finance Director	Melissa Gonzalez	P	P	P	P	-	A	-	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P									
Library Director	Kathy Harrington	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P									
Chief Building Official	Bill Jordan	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P									
Police Chief	Sam Love	P	P	P	P	-	P	-	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P									
Total:		10	9	9	8	-	8	-	8	9	9	7	9	8	9	9									

Mayor, "Will the City Secretary call the roll?"

*The City Secretary calls each Member's position and name.*

*They respond if they are present.*

City Secretary, "Mayor, a quorum is present."

P	Present
A	Absent

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ELLIS**

**THE FERRIS CITY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR SESSION  
MAY 4, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
LOCATED AT 215 W. SIXTH STREET, FERRIS, TEXAS.**

<b>MEMBER ATTENDANCE</b>		
Mayor	Micheal Driggars	P
Mayor Pro Tem	James Starr	P
Alderman, Place 2	Jay Walsh	P
Alderman, Place 3	Angela Bruner	P
Alderman, Place 4	Gary Ross	P
Alderman, Place 5	Carol Wright	P

<b>STAFF ATTENDANCE</b>		
City Manager	Dennis Burn	P
City Secretary	Destiny Wright	P
City Attorney	Kent Hofmeister	A
Fire Chief	Tim Birdwell	P
I.T. Director	Doug Childers	P
Eco. Dev. Coordinator	Chuck Dart	P
Finance Director	Melissa Gonzalez	P
Library Director	Kathy Harrington	P
Chief Building Official	Bill Jordan	P
Police Chief	Sam Love	P

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**1. Call to order.**

- **Invocation**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Driggars called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Starr.

**2. Roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.**

City Secretary Wright called roll and determined that a quorum was present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3. All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the Mayor/City Manager to execute all matters necessary to implement each item. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and consideration by any member of the City Council.**

- **Minutes of April 20, 2015 Joint City Council and Planning and Zoning meeting**
- **Expenditures for the periods ending April 17<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup>, April 27<sup>th</sup>, and April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015.**

Alderman Bruner moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Alderman Ross. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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No comments made.

### **PROCLAMATIONS**

5. **Proclamation recognizing May 2015 as “National Preservation Month”.**

Mayor Pro Tem Starr moved to recognize May 2015 as “National Preservation Month”. Seconded by Alderman Bruner. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0.

6. **Proclamation recognizing the week of May 10, 2015 as “Police Week”.**

Alderman Walsh moved to recognize the week of May 10, 2015 as “Police Week”. Seconded by Alderman Wright. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0-0. Mayor Driggars presented the Proclamation to Police Chief Sam Love.

**CLOSING**

**7. Adjourn.**

Alderman Ross moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Starr. For: Unanimous. The motion carried 5-0-0. With no further business to come before the council, Mayor Driggars adjourned the meeting at 6:09 P.M.

**APPROVED THIS THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2015.**

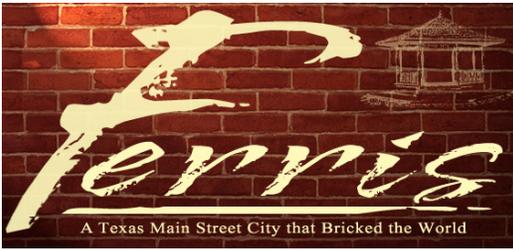
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Micheal L. Driggars, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Destiny Lusk Wright, City Secretary

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Kent Hofmeister, City Attorney



## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 18, 2015  
**FROM:** City Manager, Dennis Burn  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**SUBJECT: 2015 Ferris Earth Day and Creek Cleanup  
Certificates of Appreciation  
May 18, 2015 City Council Meeting**

**The 2015 Ferris Earth Day and Creek Cleanup was the most successful in its four year history. The participating volunteer organizations will be recognized this evening. Representatives will be asked to come forward to receive their framed certificate from our Economic Development Director, Chuck Dart, and then stand for a photo with Mayor Micheal Driggars. In alphabetical order, the volunteer organizations to be recognized are:**

**Boy Scouts of America Troop 206  
Brookshire Brothers - Ferris  
C&M Business Services  
Covenant Church of Ferris  
Digital Verdict, Inc.  
East Texas Pinnacle Properties  
Ellis County Constable Precinct 1  
Ellis County Master Gardeners  
Ferris Auto Supply and Hardware  
Ferris Family Dentistry  
Ferris Garden Club  
Ferris Historical Society  
Ferris Intermediate School  
Ferris Intermediate School PTO**

**First Baptist Church of Ferris**  
**Home Depot – Mesquite**  
**Indian Trail Master Naturalists**  
**Let’s Be Koi**  
**McDonald Elementary School**  
**Ferris High School National Honor Society**  
**Orr’s Live Petting Zoo**  
**Over a Barrel**  
**Pizza Hut - Ferris**  
**SAGU Missions**  
**Walmart – Seagoville**  
**Waste Management**  
**Youth Making a Difference**



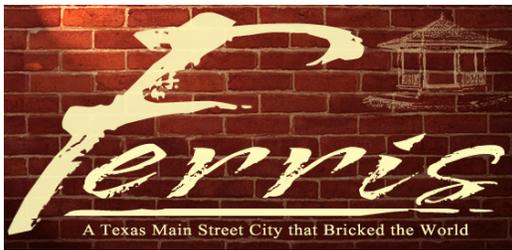
## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 18, 2015  
**FROM:** City Manager, Dennis Burn  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**SUBJECT: Canvass Votes for the General Election  
May 18, 2015 City Council Meeting**

**At the May 18, 2015 City Council meeting you will be presented with (1) Tally Sheets, (2) Return Sheet for Comparison, (3) Combination Forms and (4) Canvass of General Election.**

**These forms are not in your agenda back up material.**



## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 18, 2015  
**FROM:** City Manager, Dennis Burn  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**SUBJECT:** Resolution No. R-15-185  
May 18, 2015 City Council Meeting

**This agenda item includes Resolution No. R-15-185 declaring the results of the General Election. Please review the resolution and be prepared to take action.**

**RESOLUTION NO. R-15-185**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FERRIS, TEXAS DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE CITY OF FERRIS GENERAL ELECTION OF OFFICIALS HELD ON MAY 9, 2015.**

**WHEREAS,** the City of Ferris held a General Election on May 9, 2015 to elect three Aldermen; and

**WHEREAS,** the votes have been canvassed and accepted; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to declare the results of the May 9, 2015 General Election;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FERRIS, TEXAS THAT THE RESULTS OF SAID ELECTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**ALDERMAN PLACE 2**

JAY WALSH	153*
SCOTT BORN	126
MICHAEL MARTINEZ	25

**ALDERMAN PLACE 3**

ANGELA BRUNER	128
BOBBY LINDSEY	152*
RICK BARRETT	33

**ALDERMAN PLACE 5**

CAROL J. WRIGHT	220*
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\* Indicates Winner

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FERRIS, TEXAS:**

The said election was duly called; that notice of said election was given in accordance with law, and that said election was held in accordance with law, and that Jay Walsh, Bobby Lindsey, and Carol J. Wright were duly elected Aldermen of said City at said election. The above named parties are hereby declared duly elected to said respective offices, subject to the taking of their oaths as provided by the laws of the State of Texas.

Also, it is further found and determined that in accordance with the order of this governing body, the City Secretary posted written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting on the bulletin board located in the City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and said notice having been so posted and remaining posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting. A copy of the return of said posting shall be attached to the minutes of this meeting and shall be made a part thereof for all intents and purposes.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.**

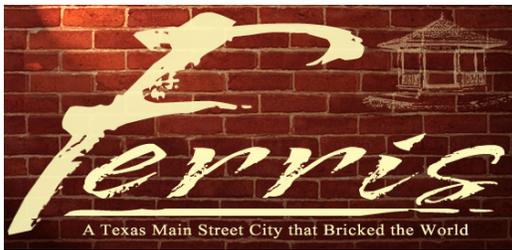
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Micheal L. Driggars, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Destiny Lusk Wright, City Secretary



## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 18, 2015  
**FROM:** City Manager, Dennis Burn  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**SUBJECT: Certificates of Election  
May 18, 2015 City Council Meeting**

**At the meeting Mayor Micheal Driggars will sign the three Certificates of Election. These certificates are not in your agenda back up material.**