

**Bowie City Council  
Meeting Results  
January 3, 2022**

**Agenda Additions/Deletions/Amendments:** Councilmember Gardner motioned to add a presentation on water filtration systems to the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Bofo second the motion. Motion passed 7-0. Councilmember Esteve motioned to add a discussion on reopening the City's recreational facilities. Councilmember Gardner second the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Consent Agenda:** All items approved.

**Old Business:**

- A. Appeal of Bowie Advisory Planning Board Resolution BV-2-21 – Councilmember Woolfley motioned to accept the Bowie Advisory Planning Boards recommendation of denying the variance. Councilmember Gardner second the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**New Business:**

- A. Water Distribution System Recapitalization – City staff briefed Council on the status of the City's water main replacement efforts. Phase I of Heather Hills neighborhood is complete and ready to move onto Phase II. The main issue in order to move forward has to do with financing. Staff is looking into different possible grants that the City can apply for, as well as lobbying the delegation for financial support.
- B. Water Filtration Presentation by Ms. Deborah Harrington – Her company provides whole house UV water filtration systems that can help some of the issues the residents are having with water discoloration. Staff will work with Ms. Harrington and discuss the services her company can provide to the City.
- C. Auditor's Annual Presentation – Mr. Greg Bussink with the firm Clifton Larson Allen LLP summarized the City's audit report. The City received an unmodified "clean" opinion. The City has received the GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 27 consecutive years.
- D. Discussion on reopening of City recreational facilities – Councilmember Esteve motioned to reopen the facilities on Friday, January 7 with the stipulation that patrons need to present proof of vaccination and wear a mask while in the facility at all times and that if further recommendations from County or State are made about closing facilities, Council should be involved for guidance to staff. Mayor Pro Tem Bofo suggested a friendly amendment to extend the opening to Monday. Councilmember Esteve would like to leave it for Friday. Councilmember Gardner second the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote 4-2 (Adams, Bofo, Ndebumadu not present). Councilmember Harrison motioned to have Council review the COVID case numbers on Thursday, January 6 first and then do a Council Poll before making a final decision of opening on Friday, January 7 or not. Councilmember Esteve second the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0 (Ndebumadu not present).