



City of Spring Branch

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**Minutes of City Commission Meeting
City of Spring Branch, Texas**

June 9, 2025

Meeting was held at Fire Station #6, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch

- 1) Call to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Mayor James Mayer, Commissioner Brad Hockman, Commissioner David Dobbins and City Clerk Terrie Barnes.**
 - a) Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2) Mayor Mayer asked if anyone had read the minutes of the May meeting Commissioner Dobbins to waive the minutes for the May 2025 regular meeting. Second by Mayor Mayer. The May meeting minutes were approved. No opposed.**
- 3) The Financial report for the month ending May 2025 was read by Mayor Mayer.**
- 4) Discuss and consider approval of outdoor lighting application for Home Church. Mayor Mayer stated Home Church they have about 25 pole lights in parking lot that is a reduced number from their original plan noting they are down facing and shielded. Based on what is seen on the plans they are complying with the Lighting Ordinance. Also stating he sent back comment on the existing building canopy lighting is which is grandfathered in, but I took an opportunity to mention the intent of the ordinance is to reduce lighting impact. Haven't heard back but it's only been a few days. The mayor moved to approve the lighting permit application for Home Church. Second by Commissioner Hockman and all approved. No opposed.**

Also, on the subject of lighting the next action is to do a nighttime assessment with the light meter (Sky Quality Meter/SQM) that will measure businesses outdoor signs and lighting. Our software is loaded and can take and record accurate photometric light readings, lumen, core temperatures. We will need to generate friendly communications and engage with those businesses whose lighting is outside of the Lighting Ordinance and DarkSky compliance. Asking for them to comply with the ordinance, put dimmers on, timers, turn lights off or use motion sensors. It could possibly work in their favor to reduce light pollution by advertising and promoting DarkSky. Simply put, use only as light as you need and only where you need it and only when you need it.

Public comment on agenda items: Question on the current balance of our Certificate of balance, as of end of business on June 30, 2025 is \$163,181.71. The question related to the Dreamhost bill breakdown is the annual fee. Additional public comments included concerns on the junk/car yard additional accumulation of vehicles. Does owner have Dealer license to sell vehicles? Mayor stated some items could be in violation and we will revisit that with our attorney.

There being no further public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.



Approved - James Mayer, Mayor



Attest - Terrie Barnes, City Clerk