



# City of Garden Ridge

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**MINUTES**  
**QUARRY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING**  
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019, 6:00 P.M.

**Commissioners Present:**

Chair Mike Shands  
Vice-Chair Wayne Mudge  
Commissioner Jerry Barucky  
Commissioner Mark DuBois  
Commissioner Richard Holloway  
Councilmember Bryan Lantzy, Ex-officio member

**Commissioners Absent:**

Commissioner Johnell Holly (Voluntary Announced Absence)  
Commissioner Albert Haddad (Unannounced Absence)

**City Staff Present:**

Nancy Cain, City Administrator  
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary  
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney

**Other City Councilmembers or Commissioners Present:**

Councilmember Lisa Swint  
Karen Diaz, Vice-Chair, Planning and Zoning Commission

**1. Call to Order**

With a quorum of the Quarry Commission Members present, Chair Shands called the special meeting of the Garden Ridge Quarry Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 10, 2019, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas, 78266.

**2. Roll Call**

See above.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Shands led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 30 minutes total**

No one signed up to speak.

**5. Business Items**

**The following items are for discussion, consideration, and/or action.**

**a) Discussions/Reports/Reviews**

- i. Review and discussion on the monthly Hanson Quarry blasting analysis data reported by Vibratex. Discussion with Hanson Servtex and blasting contractors on recent quarry operations, including any unusual blasts that occurred during reported month/s and/or current month.**

Geoffrey Rigsby, Vibra-Tech, presented and discussed the May blast analysis. He stated that 14 shots occurred during the month of May and none (0) of the blasts exceeded the limits of Ordinance 34 or the Federal U.S. Bureau of Mines Guidelines for protection of residential structures. He reported the highest PPV reading of 0.393 occurred on May 22, 2019, at the Holly Residence and the highest Air Overpressure of

112 dB occurred on May 6, 13, and 30, 2019, at the Warden Residence and on May 28, 2019, at the City Property Line.

**ii. Review individual citizen blast report/s, follow up on citizen blast report/s and/or assign Quarry Commissioner contact with citizen/s, as necessary.**

Geoffrey Rigsby, Vibra-Tech, discussed citizen blast reports received for May. He reviewed the citizen concerns and relevant blasts from Armando Diaz, Karen McNealy, Beverly Pickering, Missy Lantzy, Nancy Ober, Susan Harkins, Mark Bither, Leon/Evelyn Timmermann, and Larry Meeks.

The Commission discussed historically receiving more Citizen Blast Impact Reports when blasting is conducted in the Base Pit. Hal Halamuda, Hanson Servtex Quarry Plant Manager, stated they have not been doing anything differently. He stated they are using the same patterns, monitoring, and location as blasts that have occurred before in addition to maintaining compliance with the Garden Ridge City Ordinance as well as Federal Guidelines. Councilmember Lantzy spoke regarding his conversations with three citizens. He reported that one of those citizens stated their foundation issues ended up being from drainage instead of blasting activity.

The Commission discussed obtaining current and future blasting plans and physical boundaries from Quarry Representatives during the Quarry Commission meeting in July.

**iii. Discussion on number of, placement, and location of monitors and other matters related to monitoring of blasts by Vibratex and notification to residents of monitor placements. Discuss placement of roving monitor which is currently at the Baker residence.**

The Commission agreed to leave the roving monitor at the Baker residence.

**c) Updates/Recommendations**

**i. City Council Regular Meeting on June 5, 2019.**

Chair Shands stated the City Council received the Quarry Commission's recommendation regarding Ordinance No. 34 and City Council agreed to postpone taking action on the ordinance until July in order to hear from Quarry Representatives at this special meeting.

**6. Citizen Comment Period – limited to 20 minutes total**

Tracey Blackwell, 9745 Trophy Oaks Drive, spoke regarding correlations between blasting techniques and impacts as well as noise at the Hanson Quarry.

Jan Martin, 20418 Wahl Lane, spoke regarding Ordinance No. 34 and suggested stricter hours of operation.

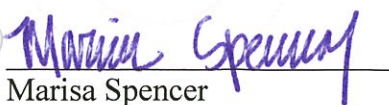
Armando Diaz, 21010 Gunther Grove, spoke regarding documenting blasts to see if there are any relevant correlations and the physical boundaries for blasting.

**7. Adjournment**

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Holloway, seconded by Commissioner DuBois to adjourn. There being no further business, the Monday, June 10, 2019, Quarry Commission Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Shands.

  
Mike Shands  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Marisa Spencer  
City Secretary