



# City of Fredericksburg

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022 ~ 6:00 P.M.**

Charlie Kiehne, Mayor  
Tom Musselman, Councilmember  
Bobby Watson, Councilmember

Jerry Luckenbach, Councilmember  
Kathy O'Neill, Councilmember  
Kent Myers, City Manager

## WRITTEN COMMENT

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## Written Comments

On today's agenda, the City Council has placed a number of items for public input and comment. A packet of information with pertinent details, costs, facts etc., has been provided for public review and City Council consideration before a public vote is ultimately taken by council whether or not to approve these items.

Though today's agenda items are rather benign – for instance, they cover various temporary street closures, etc. for Oktoberfest, Food and Wine Fest, and the like, City Council is nevertheless, abiding faithfully to the proper procedure of seeking public input, consensus, and participation, before a final vote – all in an open, transparent process. It is indeed a blessing to see our republican representative government at work!

This cannot be said for the 2.8 million dollar contract signed by our City Manager to the Federal Government known as the American Rescue Plan Act. According to the City Charter, it is the City Council who have been explicitly granted the responsibility for the approval of government contracts. Nowhere in the Charter has this authority been granted to the city manager.

At no time had the City Council given public approval for the signing of the contract.

At no time has the City council disclosed the important details, particularly as it relates to the controversial terms, conditions and obligations this contract demands upon the City and all who will receive these funds.

At no time was this placed on the agenda for public hearing, participation, discussion or input.

At no time was there a public vote whether or not to accept these funds.

Furthermore, the City Manager has many times put forth misinformation and blatant falsehoods regarding these funds and the serious ramifications they pose both financially, constitutionally and morally. The language in this contract is unprecedented and includes compliance with stroke of the pen executive orders (which can be issued at any time), extensive reporting, monitoring and surveillance requirements, severe penalties for non-compliance (such as return of all funds, seizing of assets...).

The City Council and the City Manager are in violation of the City Charter, their oath of office and the U.S. and Texas Constitution. This issue has been brought publicly to the Council's attention on numerous occasions and by multitudes of people – both through public and written comments, and the serving of several hundred legal Notices and Affidavits.

The City Council and City Manager's refusal to appropriately redress the people's grievances is a dereliction of duty, and abuse of power and maladministration.

The people have come peacefully, patiently, and in good will seeking proper remedy. It is incumbent upon Council to now fulfill their responsibility faithfully to the people, before legal consequences take effect.