

REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 – 5:00 P.M.
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, OCTOBER 18, 2023, at 5:00 P.M. in the Kenneth T. Nunn Council Room in City Hall, Texas City, Texas. A quorum having been met, the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dedrick D. Johnson.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Dedrick D. Johnson, Mayor
Thelma Bowie, Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem
Abel Garza, Jr. , Commissioner At-Large
DeAndre' Knoxson, Commissioner District 1
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

Absent: Felix Herrera, Commissioner District 2
Dorthea Jones Pointer, Commissioner District 3

2. INVOCATION

Led by Pastor A. Berry of New Life Church of Texas.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Service Awards

Justin Moseley	Water Distribution	10/21/2013	10 years
Christopher Rice	Water Distribution	10/07/2013	10 years
Andre Roberts	Parks & Recreation	10/05/2013	10 years
Rudolph Montoya	Public Works	10/23/2003	20 years
Edward Guerrero	Water Distribution	10/29/1998	25 years
Carolyn Golden	Library	10/13/1993	30 years

b. **Medal of Valor**

Detective Larry Williamson

Life Saving Award

Officer Irvin Cornejo
Officer Adrian Martinez
Officer Michael Turner

Officer Logan Kelley

Detective Larry Williamson received the Medal of Valor for his swift action, which saved the life of a hostage. Officers Michael Turner, Logan Kelley, and Adrian Martinez received the Life Saving Award for rescuing a person from a burning vehicle. Officer Irvin Cornejo received the Life Saving Award for resuscitating a person by performing CPR.

- c. Proclaiming October as National Physical Therapy Month.

Mayor Dedrick D. Johnson presented a proclamation to Sharon Deshotel, Physical Therapist at HCA Mainland, naming October as National Physical Therapy Month in Texas City.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie motioned to approve Consent Agenda items a, b, c, d, and e. The motion was seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark.

- a. Approve City Commission Minutes for the October 4, 2023 meeting. (City Secretary)

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-113, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Public Consulting Group for services related to the federally legislated ground ambulance collections data report. (Fire Department)

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-114, authorizing the purchase of two (2) ancillary vehicles for use in the Fire Department and Neighborhood Improvement Services. (Fire Department)

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-115, authorizing the purchase of thirteen (13) vehicles, for an approximate total of \$909,863.97, to be utilized by various departments within the Texas City Police Department. (Police)

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-116, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with CFG Industries, LLC., for Bid No. 2023-438 Lift Stations 21 and 25 Rehabilitation Project. (Public Works)

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

7. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action on the second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-37, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances Title XV Entitled "Land Usage," Chapter 151: Electricity; Section 151.080 Entitled "National Electrical Code Adopted: Conflicting Regulations." (Legal/Building Official)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2023-38, amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Texas City, Texas, Title III "Administration", Chapter 32 "Law Enforcement and Fire Department", Section 32.009 "Fire Department; Classes of Positions." by increasing the number of positions within the classification of Captain by five (5), increasing the number of positions within the classification of Engineers by six (6) and decreasing the number of positions within the classification of Firefighters by ten (10); prescribing the number of positions within each classification of the classified service of the Fire Department. (Fire Department)

David Zacherl, Fire Chief, stated that previously, the number of positions within the classification of Firefighter was increased by eighteen (18) in anticipation of the construction and opening of Fire Station 4, the number of positions within the classification of Captain was decreased to ten (10) with the assignment of an Engineer to Fire Marshal, a position formerly held by a Captain, and the recently approved budget for FY 23/24 authorized a Training Officer within the classification of Captain. Since then, a recent Captain Examination resulted in the Fire Marshal scoring within the top five (5). Therefore, the fire department requests to classify the Fire Marshal position as a Captain. The increase in the number within the classification of Engineers by six (6) and the three (3) additional Captains are in conjunction with the anticipated opening of Fire Station 4.

Motion by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-39, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances Title XV Entitled "Land Usage," Chapter 150: Building Regulations; Construction" to adopt the most current International Building Codes. (Legal/Building Official)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-40, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances Title XV Entitled "Land Usage," Chapter 152: Gas," to adopt the most current International Building Codes. (Legal/Building Official)

Motion by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-41, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances Title XV Entitled "Land Usage," Chapter 153: Mechanical Regulations," to adopt the most current International Building Codes. (Legal/Building Official)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

- f. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-42, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances Title XV Entitled "Land Usage," Chapter 154: Plumbing," to adopt the most current International Building Codes. (Legal/Building Official)

Motion by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Convene for Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code to discuss the following:

§551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property

Convened for Executive Session at 5:29 p.m.

- b. Reconvene from Executive Session

Reconvened for Executive Session at 5:47 p.m.

- c. Consideration and Possible Action: To take any and all action necessary deriving from the Executive Session(s).

Motion by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson to enter into a Lease Agreement for property located at Shoal Point, as discussed in Executive Session.

Vote: 5 - 0 CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr. made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 5:53 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

DEDRICK D. JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary
Date Approved: