

REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023 – 5:00 P.M.
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, NOVEMBER 15, 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 5:05 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
Felix Herrera, Commissioner District 2
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

Absent: Dorthea Jones Pointer, Commissioner District 3

2. INVOCATION

Led by Pastor Matthew Walker of Restoration City Church.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Service Awards

Justin Herter	Legal	11/07/2013	10 years
Glenn Park	Public Works	11/17/2008	15 years
Edward Cafarella	Public Works	11/10/2008	15 years
Jerald Ford	Sanitation	11/17/2003	20 years

b. Proclaiming November 6, 2023 - November 10, 2023, as Municipal Court Week.

5. REPORTS

a. Emergency Management Report (Emergency Management)

Joe Tumbleson, Emergency Manager and Homeland Security Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner District 2 Felix Herera made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, and j. The motion was seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre Knoxson.

- a. Approve City Commission Minutes for the November 1, 2023 meeting. (City Secretary)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-126, authorizing the purchase of six (6) vehicles, for multiple departments, from Chastang Ford in Houston, Texas via the BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative. (Public Works)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-127, authorizing the casting of one hundred ninety-three (193) for Matt Doyle and two (2) votes for Donald Gartman by the City of Texas City, to serve on the Galveston Central Appraisal District (GCAD) Board of Directors, for the 2024-2025 term. (City Secretary's Office)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-128, approving an engagement of ABHR (a law firm) for review, representation, and legal counsel regarding the formulation of a TIRZ (Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone) for the Minto Communities Texas, LLC project. (City Engineer)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-129, approving the executing of an Engineering Agreement with ARKK Engineer, LLC., from Houston, Texas, for the Water Line Replacement Project - Phase 21. (Public Works)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- f. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-130, approving the execution of an Engineering Service Agreement with ARKK Engineers, LLC., from Houston Texas, for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project - Phase 23. (Public Works)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- g. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-131, approving the execution of an Engineering Agreement with ARKK Engineers, LLC., from Houston, Texas, for the Lift Stations 7 and 15 Rehabilitation Project. (Public Works)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- h. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-132, authorizing the first payment to Gulf Coast Water Authority for the City's portion of the Shannon pump station rehabilitation. (Public Works)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- i. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-133, authorizing the disbursement and awarding a Commissioners Community Grant to the Front Door Social and Charity Club (FDSCC) on behalf of Mayor Pro Tem Bowie. (Mayor's Office - Grants Administration)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- j. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2023-134, renewing an agreement between the City of Texas City and the Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce. (Economic Development)

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

8. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action on the third and final 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, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on the third and final 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 At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on the third and final 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, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on the third and final 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 4 Jami Clark

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-43, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances entitled "General Regulations", Chapter 90: "Streets Sidewalks and Other Public Places" to adopt and become effective upon its final reading. (City Engineer)

Kim Golden, City Engineer, stated that this change is recommended to conform with existing city policies regarding the construction and maintenance of city streets by Public Works and the operation of fire engines and aerial apparatus on solid surfaced roadways defined as asphalt or concrete surface pavement.

Motion by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- f. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2023-44, amending the fiscal year 2023/2024 budget to include outstanding encumbrances from the 2022/2023 fiscal year. (Finance)

Laura Boyd, Finance Director, stated that purchase orders for purchases or projects outstanding at the end of the 2022-2023 fiscal year are to be canceled and rolled into the current fiscal year 2023-2024. Since encumbrances impact budgets, the current fiscal year's budget must be increased to reflect outstanding encumbrances from the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson, Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- g. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2023-45 to permanently rezone for Linda Duncan/Moses Lake Marina Boat and RV Storage from District "O" (Open Space) to District "E-4" (Commercial Warehouse). (City Engineer)

Kim Golden, City Engineer, stated that the City Commission advertised and held a public hearing to receive comments in support and opposition to the subject rezoning at its regular meeting on November 15, 2015, and then gave preliminary zoning approval. The Texas City Code of Ordinances provides for preliminary zoning approval to be made final by ordinance upon the application for a building permit within 12 months from the preliminary zoning approval. The applicant received a building permit for board and RV storage construction at

3902 SH 146 on December 8, 2015. Therefore, the requirements to finalize the zoning change have been met.

Motion by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

- h. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2023-46, amending the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget to account for repairs to the Dike Road bridge. (Finance)

Laura Boyd, Finance Director, stated that the Dike Road bridge is in dire need of repair. The original plan for the Texas Department of Transportation to replace this bridge has been put on hold until 2027. The estimated cost is \$250,000 and requires a budget amendment from the Dike Fund Unassigned Fund Balance.

Motion by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera, Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson

Vote: 6 - 0 CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 5:45 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by Commissioner District 2 Felix Herrera. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

DEDRICK D. JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary
Date Approved: