

REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, AUGUST 21, 2024, 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 5:01 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
Keith Love, Commissioner District 2
Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

2. INVOCATION

Led by Dennis Johns, Pastor at First Baptist Church of Texas City.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lead by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Service Awards

Amanda Gracia	Parks & Recreation	08/14/2014	10 years
Denise Castor	Library	08/24/2009	15 years
Hector Alonzo	Water Distribution	08/24/2009	15 years
Robert Judson	Police	08/23/2004	20 years
Michael Bullock	Bayou Golf	08/10/1999	25 years

5. REPORTS

a. Community Outreach (Police Department)

Manual Johnson, Assistant Police Chief, and Timothy Herd, Public Relations Officer, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Public hearing to hear citizens' opinions in favor of or in opposition to the proposed 2024 tax rate of \$0.488635 per \$100 valuation.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, to close the Pubic Hearing.

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the public requested to address the City Commission: Mearlon A. Green, Jr., resident, and Jose Boix, resident.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner At-Large, Abel Garza, made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 8a, b, c, d, e, and f. The motion was seconded by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp.

- a. Approve City Commission Minutes for the August 7, 2024, meeting. (City Secretary)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2024-099, authorizing the execution of an Engineering Agreement with ARKK Engineers, LLC. for the 19th Avenue and 16th Street Storm Box Culvert Replacement Project. (Public Works)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2024-100, approving and awarding a contract for Bid No. 2024-013 Liquid Asphalt - Transport Load. (Public Works)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2024-101, authorizing an Agreement for Professional Consulting Services between Code Concepts Group, LLC, and the City of Texas City regarding BESS projects in Texas City. (City Engineer)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2024-102, awarding a contract to Willdan Engineering for Plan Review Services of COM Projects (LCB, CCEC and PSC). (City Engineer)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- f. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2024-103, authorizing the purchase of an inventory replacement for an ambulance chassis through the H-GAC Buy Program. (Fire)

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

9. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2024-20, amending the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget for an Agreement for Professional Consulting Services on BESS proposed projects. (Finance)

Motion by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, to approve amending the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget for the Building Department to enter into a contract to assist with the review of plans and permits for various battery electrical storage systems (BESS) proposed projects.

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2024-21, amending the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget for Plan Review Services. (Finance)

Motion by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark, Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, to approve the request to amend the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget for Plan Review Services. \$55,000 to 101203-53680 Professional Fees from 101000-39000 General Fund Undesignated Balance.

Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2024-22, levying an ad valorem tax for the year 2024 for the City of Texas City. (Finance)

Dedrick D. Johnson, Mayor --- aye
Thelma Bowie, Mayor Pro Tern, and Commissioner At-Large --- aye
Abel Garza, Jr., Commissioner At-Large --- aye
DeAndre' Knoxson, Commissioner District 1 --- aye
Keith Love, Commissioner District 2 --- aye
Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3 --- aye
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4 --- aye

Vote: 7-0 CARRIED

10. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

11. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

An audiovisual recording of this meeting is available on the City's website and retained by the CSO for two years after the date of the adoption of the minutes to which the meeting corresponds.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 6:04 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

DEDRICK D. JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary
Date Approved: