

## REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

### MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.  
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, FEBRUARY 5, 2025, 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  
Keith Love, Commissioner District 2  
Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3  
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

#### 2. INVOCATION

Led by Father Clint Ressler, Pastor of St. Mary of the Miraculous Medal Catholic Church.

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Abel Garza, Jr., Commissioner At-Large.

#### 4. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

##### a. EMS Excellence Award for Outstanding Service 2024

Dennis Harris, Fire Chief, and Mathew Wyatt, Assistant Fire Chief, presented Shawn Harper with the EMS Excellence Award for his outstanding service on 611 EMS calls and 400 transports.

#### 5. REPORTS

##### a. Racial Profiling Report for Calendar year 2024 (Police)

Manual Johnson, Assistant Police Chief, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

##### b. Crime Statistics for Calendar year 2024 (Police)

Manual Johnson, Assistant Police Chief, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the public requested to address the City Commission: Matthew Daniels, Brian Goetschius, and Monica Grover. Monica Grover was denied access to address the City Commission because they did not follow the rules to address the City Commission.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner 4, Jami Clark, made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 7a, b, c, and d. The motion was seconded by Commission At-Large Pro Tem, Thelma Bowie.

a.

Approve City Commission Minutes for the January 22, 2025 meeting. (City Secretary)

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

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

b.

Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-012, authorizing a contract with ARKK Engineers for design services for improvements at Sanitary Lift Station(s) 10 and 30. (Public Works)

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

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

c.

Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-013, authorizing to procure renovation and repair services for three (3) splash pads from BJ's Park & Recreation Products. (Rec & Tour)

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

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

d.

Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-014, authorizing the City of Texas City to pursue a multi-year agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation "TxDOT" for temporary closures of state right-of-way roads for our annual parades. (Rec & Tour)

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

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

8. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-015, authorizing a contract with Brazos Urethane for the Showboat Pavilion roof replacement and exterior repairs. (Public Works)

Jack Haralson, Public Works Director, recommends that the Commission award the contract to Brazos Urethane.

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

**Vote:** 7 - 0 CARRIED

- b. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2025-03, permanently rezone 0.5691 acres located at the property at 2107 24th Street North from District "A" (Single Family Residential) to District "B" (Single Family Attached, Duplex Residential). (City Engineer)

Kim Golden, City Engineer, recommended approval of the ordinance for 2107 24th Street N to be changed from District "A" (Single Family Residential) to District "B" (Single Family Attached, Duplex Residential).

Motion by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie

**Vote:** 7 - 0 CARRIED

- c. Consider and take action on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2025-04, amending Texas City Code of Ordinances Section 155 to add Kiosk Signs as an Allowable Sign. (City Engineer)

Kim Golden, City Engineer, recommended approval of the amendment to add kiosk signs as an Allowable Sign under the Texas City Off Premises Sign Ordinance, Section 155.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner District 2 Keith Love

**Vote:** 7 - 0 CARRIED

- d. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2025-05, approving a budget amendment and authorizing the payment to Galveston County Appraisal District (GCAD) for the annual property appraisal for the City of Texas City. (Finance)

Cynthia Rushing, Chief Financial Officer, requested the approval to pay GCAD for the annual appraisal service.

Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3 ask why there was just an increase?

Cynthia Rushing, answered the appraised value must have gone up. Cynthia also stated she requested he formula the GCAD uses so the department can better budget for future years. She has not received the requested information from GCAD as of the meeting date.

Motion by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp, Seconded by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-016, review and approval of the submission of the grant application for the FY 2025 State Homeland Security Program. (Community Development- Grants Administration)

Patricia Mata, Community Development & Grants Administration Program Coordinator, recommended to approve the submission of the grant applications to the Houston-Galveston Area Council.

Shives and Martinez of the TCPD SWAT, passed out a hand out to the Mayor and City Commission with information of the Lenco Bearcat G3. If the grant is awarded the City would purchase the vehicle and the grant would reimburse the City.

Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3, asked how many members are in SWAT? Shives answered, fully staffed is no more than 18 members.

Chris Sharp, asked what is the maintenance difference between the SWAT vehicle and a regular cop car? Shives answered, no difference other that it is a diesel vehicle.

Chris Sharp, asked how old is the our current SWAT vehicle and how often are they normally replaced? Shives answered, our current SWAT vehicle was purchased 2008 (17 years old) and on average they are replaced by 10 - 15 years.

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

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

9. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

10. 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 adaption of the minutes to which the meeting corresponds.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Abel Garza, Jr., Commissioner At-Large, made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 5:51 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by DeAndre' Knoxson, Commissioner District 1. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

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DEDRICK D. JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary  
Date Approved: