

STATE OF TEXAS :
COUNTY OF HOWARD :
CITY OF BIG SPRING :

The City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, met in a Regular Meeting in the City Council Chambers located at 307 E. 4th St., Big Spring, Texas, at 5:30 PM, November 8, 2022, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER TROY TOMPKINS
COUNCIL MEMBER GLORIA McDONALD
MAYOR PRO TEM NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER MAURY SMITH
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE YANEZ

Same and constituting a quorum, for which four Councilmembers must be present; and the following staff in person;

TODD DARDEN	City Manager
JOHN MEDINA	Assistant City Manager
ANDREW HAGEN	City Attorney
SHANE BOWLES	Public Works Director
CHAD WILLIAMS	Police Chief
CRAIG FERGUSON	Fire Chief
MIKE FEELEY	Airpark Director
GARY GIVENS	Assistant Finance Director
HAYLEY LEWIS	Community Services Director
TAMI DAVIS	City Secretary
MANDY HAYNES	Presiding Municipal Judge

Open Session

Call to Order

Mayor Moore called the City Council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Invocation

Ricky Cartensen gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag

Mayor Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

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Devvy Kidd spoke regarding the tethering of animals and asked the Council to reconsider the ordinance.

Scott Emerson spoke regarding the work on the Animal Shelter and has some donations that he would like to present to the Council to help cover the adoption fees.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Public Hearing - Regarding a Zone Change (Z22-03) Request from Single Family Dwelling District (SF-2) to Planned Development for Housing (PD) Located at the Intersection of Fordham Ave and Marquette Ave. on a 4.58 Acre Tract out of Section 45, Block 32, T-1-N T&P, RR Co Survey, Property ID 90379

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to open the above captioned public hearing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas. No comments were made at this time.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Public Hearing - Concerning Amendment of Big Spring Zoning Ordinance to Allow Pole Signs of up to 65' on Properties Adjoining I-20 and on Properties Adjoining FM 700 from I-20 to the East Side of Intersection of Goliad Street in Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to open the above captioned public hearing, seconded by Council Member McDonald. No comments were made at this time.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION

Public Hearing - Concerning Amendments to the Big Spring City Zoning Ordinance to Permit Transitional Housing in the City of Big Spring under Certain Conditions

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to open the above captioned public hearing, seconded by Council Member Yanez. No comments were made at this time.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 6
0
NAYS: None

MOTION

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to close all three above captioned public hearings, seconded by Council Member Smith.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 6
0
NAYS: None

MOTION

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Large Item Pickup, District 5 - Nov. 16, 2022
- City Holidays - Veterans Day, Nov. 11th & Thanksgiving Days, Nov. 24th & 25th
- Blowout at the Bunker - Saturday, Nov. 12th
- Howard County Summit - February 28, 2022

Todd Darden, City Manager, updated the council on the above captioned items as follows:

Large Item Pickup for District 5 will be on November 16, 2022; City offices will be closed on November 11th for Veterans Day and on November 24th & 25th for Thanksgiving; The Blowout at the Bunker was a great success and helped raised money to support our local veterans and also to honor a member of the committee John Weeks; also the Howard County Summit has been set for February 28, 2023 and Mr. Darden thanked Mr. Willis for his work on getting that set up.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 25, 2022.

Final Reading of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas Amending Chapter 2 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Administration," Article VII "Boards and Commissions," Division 4 "Parks and Recreation Board" Section 2-295 by Amending Subsection (d) and Adding a New Subsection (e); and Amending Division 10 "Convention and Visitors Bureau Board," Section 2-315 by Adding a New

Subsection (c) in Order to Inactivate the Said Boards and Release the Members of Each Board for Potential Consideration for Service on Other Boards; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Establishing Compensation and Benefits for the Presiding Judge and Associate Judges of the Municipal Court of Big Spring, Texas

Acknowledge Receipt of the Planning & Zoning Commission Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2022

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas to approve the above captioned ordinances and minutes, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 10/27/22 \$ 740,542.47

Council Member McDonald reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to approve the above captioned vouchers, seconded by Council Member Smith.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Vouchers for 11/03/22 \$ 464,853.42

Manual Ck. \$ 596.783.18

Council Member Tompkins reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the vouchers for 11/03/22 and move the manual check amount to the next meeting, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for a 2023 Ford Escape SUV for the Senior Center and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to award the above captioned bid to Silsbee's Ford in the amount of \$28,904.00, seconded by Council Member McDonald.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member 0
Smith**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for a Fifteen Foot Trailer Mounted Jetter for the Distribution and Collection Department and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to award the above captioned bid to Harben, Inc. in the amount of \$475,314.00, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member 0
Smith**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for Two (2) John Deere 35G Compact Excavators for the Distribution and Collections Department and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to award the above captioned bid to Yellowhouse Machinery in the amount of \$124,000.00, seconded by Council Member Smith.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member 0
Smith**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for Four (4) 2022 Ford Explorer Police Interceptors and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to award the above captioned bid to Sewell Ford in the amount of \$173,510.00, seconded by Council Member Smith.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for a Forklift for the Water Treatment Plant and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to award the above captioned bid to V-Bar Equipment in the amount of \$40,000.00, seconded by Council Member Tompkins.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for a John Deere Z950m Zero Turn Mower for the Water Treatment Plant and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to award the above captioned bid to South Plains Implement in the amount of \$12,510.96, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for the Asbestos Abatement Project for the Cornell Corrections Prison and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to award the above captioned bid to Vanco Insulation in the amount of \$88,200.00, seconded by Council Member McDonald.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action of Awarding a Stop Loss Agreement with Companion Life Insurance Company and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to award the above captioned agreement to Companion Life Insurance Company, seconded by Council Member McDonald.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member McDonald, 4
Council Member Smith 2**

NAYS: Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Tompkins

MOTION PASSED

New Business

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 038-2022 Which Adopted the Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2022 and Ending September 30, 2023 by Increasing the Special Revenue Fund, Senior Center, Budget for the Purpose of Purchasing a New Vehicle for the Senior Center; Providing for Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 038-2022 Which Adopted the Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2022 and Ending September 30, 2023 by Increasing the Utility Fund Budget for the Purpose of Purchasing a Jetter Trailer; Providing for Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Smith.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member Smith 0**

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas.

MOTION PASSED

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member McDonald.

MOTION PASSED

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Purchase Real Property located at 1608 E 15th

Street for \$5,000.00 on Condition that the City Pay Outstanding Ad Valorem Taxes Due on the Property with Seller reserving Mineral Rights and Authorize the City Manager to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to purchase the above captioned property, seconded by Council Member Tompkins.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member 0
Smith

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on an Agreement with Verizon Connect Fleet Management Solutions for GPS Tracking Devices and Authorizing the City Manger or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned agreement, seconded by Council Member Smith.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 6
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins, Council Member 0
Smith

NAYS: None

MOTION PASSED

ADJOURN

Mayor Moore adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary