

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

The City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, met in a REGULAR AGENDA in the City Council Chambers located at 307 E. 4th St., Big Spring, Texas, at 5:30 PM, June 13, 2023, with the following members present in person:

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

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
JAY HOLT	Interim Fire Chief
MIKE FEELEY	Airpark Director
SANDY SMITH	Finance Director
HAYLEY LEWIS	Community Services Director
TAMI DAVIS	City Secretary
MANDY HAYNES	Municipal Judge

Open Session

Call to Order

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

Invocation

Don Smith 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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A couple of Firefighters with the Big Spring Fire Department spoke regarding the SAFER Grant.

Public Hearing regarding abatements of public nuisances

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to open the below listed public hearings, 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

**Each public hearing listed below was presented to the Council with an abatement order and pictures. The following citizens spoke regarding their property;
Clay Cooper - 605 Nolan Street
Ezequiel Contreras - 600 Lancaster**

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1000 E. 20TH STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SC 5 BK 32 IS 1231 ACQ 102412 BLK/TRACK 321S 0.808 ACRES - OWNER: HENRY RIOS

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to abate the above captioned property (1000 E. 20th St.), 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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1106 NW 8TH STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LT 5 BK 8 BANKS 50X115 182 0.132 ACRES - OWNER: JIMMY JOLLEY

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to abate the above captioned property (1106 NW 8th St.), 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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 605 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LT 10 & N/2 OF LT 9 BK 48 ORIGINAL TOWN 75X140 0792 BLK/TRACT 48 0.241 ACRES - OWNER: JESSE BUSTAMANTE

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to abate the back shed and the accumulated items of the above captioned property (605 Nolan St.), seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 5
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins 1

NAYS: Council Member Smith

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 611 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: EXC 33' & 3' N/SIDE OF LTS 7-8 BK 48 ORIGINAL TOWN 64X140 0789 ACQ 011310 BLK/TRACT 48 0.206 ACRES - OWNER: JUANITA FLORES

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to abate the above captioned property (611 Nolan St.), 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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 609 BELL STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LT 8 BK 41 ORIGINAL TOWN 50X140 0854 ACQ 030612 BLK/TRACT 41 0.161 ACRES - OWNER SAM CASTRO

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to abate the above captioned property (609 Bell St.), 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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 600 LANCASTER, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LT 1 BK 41 ORIGINAL TOWN 50X140 0847 0.161 ACRES ACQ 02082017 - OWNER: EZEQUIEL CONTRERAS

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to abate the above captioned property (600 Lancaster) with a 60 day order, 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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 623 SGT PAREDEZ, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 - LEGAL DESCRIPTION: W/2 OF LT 11 BK 99 ORIGINAL TOWN 50X1900211 ACQ 062408 BLK/TRACT 99 0.218 ACRES - OWNER: SOFIA RUBIO

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to abate the above captioned property (623 Sgt. Paredes St.), 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

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to close the above captioned public hearings, 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

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Large Item Pickup, District 6-June 21, 2023
- Reminder of Tall Weeds & Grass
- Mosquito Spraying
- Seal Coat Update

- Animal Control Open House, Saturday, June 24th, 10-12

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows: The large item pickup will end with District 6 on June 21st and begin again in July with District 1; Reminder to citizens to mow their weeds and grass due to the heavy rain; Mosquito spraying has begun; Street seal coating will begin next week; Animal Control will have an open house on Saturday, June 24th from 10-12; Rodeo starts this week and Happy Fathers Day.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 22, 2023 and of the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2023.

Acknowledge Receipt of the Big Spring Economic Development Board Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2023.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Granting a Partial Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for Tax Year 2023 for the Homestead of any Married or Unmarried Adult; Finding and Determining That the Meetings at Which the Ordinance was Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; Providing for Severability; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

Final 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 General Fund Budget for the Purpose of the Rebuilding of the Detention Pond Dam at Birdwell Park: Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinances, 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

Vouchers

Vouchers for 05/11/23	\$	763,398.55
Vouchers for 05/18/23	\$	852,382.53
Vouchers for 05/25/23	\$	336,639.36
Drafts	\$	1,188,560.45

Council Member Tompkins reviewed the vouchers for 05/11/23 and for

05/18/2023.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the vouchers for 05/11/23 & 05/18/23, seconded by Council Member Smith. Council Member Tompkins will review the vouchers for 05/25/23 and the drafts for the next council meeting on June 27th.

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 06/01/23 \$ 183,846.69
Vouchers for 06/08/23 \$ 452,556.32
Drafts \$ 580,147.23

Council Member Smith reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Smith to approve the above captioned vouchers, 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

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 General Fund Budget for the Purpose of the Continued Funding of the Fire Department Employees that were Funded Through the Safer Grant; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

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

YEAS: None 0

NAYS: None 0

MOTION

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to amend the above captioned ordinance to fund the 10 firefighter positions until the end of the fiscal year, seconded by None.

YEAS: None 0

NAYS: 0 0

MOTION DIED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore approve the above captioned ordinance as written, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 5
Council Member McDonald, Council Member Tompkins 1
NAYS: Council Member Smith

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 General Fund Budget for the Purpose of the Repair of the Traffic Light at 11th and Birdwell; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins 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

First Reading of a Resolution Adopting Plans, Policies, and Procedures that Support the Civil Rights of All Persons Affected by the CDBG Project; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions; Providing a Savings and Severability Clause; Finding and Determining that the Meeting at Which the Resolution was Discussed was Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Establishing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Tompkins to approve the above captioned resolution, 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 a Contract Agreement with Texas Department of Health and Human Services and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned agreement, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas.

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

Council Input

Input

Mayor Pro Tem thanked everyone for attending the council meeting and asked staff for some handouts for large item pickup for his district next month;
Council Member Yanez thanked employees and asked for the right-of-way to be cleaned up at the Dairy Queen;
Council Member Tompkins would like an update on the past abatements.

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:35 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary