

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, March 26, 2024, with the following members present in person:

COUNCIL MEMBER GLORIA MCDONALD
COUNCIL MEMBER CODY HUGHES
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE YANEZ
MAYOR ROBERT MOORE

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	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 5:36 p.m.

Invocation

David Alaman, Hillside Church, 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 State Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

Public Comment

No comments were made at this time.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

PUBLIC HEARING - Regarding the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the above captioned public hearing, seconded by Council Member Hughes.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, Council Member McDonald 4

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

There were no public comments regarding the above captioned public hearing at this time.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to close the above captioned public hearing, seconded by Mayor Moore.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, Council Member McDonald 4

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Update - Large Item Pickup, District 3
- Update - Restroom @ Bert Andries Splash Pad
- Update - Runnels St. Waterline Replacement
- Temporary EMS Service
- City Holiday - Good Friday, March 29th
- Trash Pick Up Holiday Schedule

Todd Darden, City Manager, gave an update on the above captioned items as follows: Large Item Pickup for District 3 picked up 16 tons of items; A contractor has started on the roof for the restrooms at the splash pad located at Bert Andries Park; A contractor will be starting on Monday for the Runnels St. waterline replacement; Due to short staffing issues the City staff will be seeking offers to temporarily run the EMS Service; City offices will be closed on Friday, March 29th in observance of Good Friday and the trash pickup for Friday will be

scheduled for Wednesday, March 27th.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 12, 2024.

Acknowledge Receipt of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors Minutes for a Regular Meeting of February 20, 2024 and for a Special Meeting of March 4, 2024

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 049-2023 Which Adopted the Annual budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2023 and Ending September 30, 2024 by Increasing the General Fund Budget for the Purpose of Purchasing SCBA Equipment for the Fire Department; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 049-2023 Which Adopted the Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2023 and Ending September 30, 2024 by Increasing the Airpark Fund Budget for the Purpose of the Demolition and/or Asbestos Abatement of Several Structures on the Airpark; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date.

Final Reading of a Resolution Determining that an Area of the City Contains Conditions Which are Detrimental to the Public Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Community and Constitutes a Blighted Area

Final Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution were Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing for an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to approve the above captioned minutes, ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, Council Member McDonald

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NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 03/07/24	\$	793,098.90
Vouchers for 03/14/24	\$	914,666.57
Vouchers for 03/21/24	\$	298,025.94

Drafts \$ 491,941.12

Council Member Hughes reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4
Council Member McDonald**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Contract for Aviation Fuel Supply and Associated Services for McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Authorizing the City Manager or his Designee to Execute and Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to award the above captioned bid to Avfuel, seconded by Council Member McDonald.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4
Council Member McDonald**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

New Business

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 46 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places," Article V "Street Names and Building Numbers," Division 2 "Renaming Streets" Section 46-235 by Amending Subsection (c) to Summarily Deny Repetitive Street Name Petitions for Two Years after City Council Denies the Same Requested Change; Amending Subsection (d) to Clarify that a Street Name Change Petition that Fails Cannot be Reconsidered Unless a New Petition is Submitted; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Ordinance was Discussed Were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date

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

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member McDonald 3

NAYS: Council Member Hughes 1

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 2-57 of the Big Spring City Code by Establishing Classifications and Number of Positions for the Fire Department Pursuant to Section 143.021, Texas Local Government Code; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinance; Providing a Severability Clause; Finding and Determining that the Meeting at Which the Ordinance was Discussed were Open to the Public as

Required by Law; Providing for Publication; and Providing for an Effective Date

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

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4

Council Member McDonald

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of an Ordinance Establishing the Fire Department Pay Scale Effective April 14, 2024, in Accordance with Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; Providing for the Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; and Providing for an Effective Date.

First Reading of an Ordinance Establishing the Pay Schedule for Classified Positions Within the Police Department Effective April 14, 2024; Providing for Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; and Providing for an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member McDonald to approve the above listed 2 ordinances regarding Fire and Police Pay Scales, seconded by Council Member Hughes.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4

Council Member McDonald

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the Police Chief to Execute on Behalf of Said City, Education Reimbursement Agreements with New or Recently Hired Employees Who have Paid for Their Own Police Academy Tuition and Fees and Received Certification as a Result; and Requiring that the Employee Reimburse the City for Such Payments if He or She Voluntarily Terminates Employment Prior to the Completion of Three Years of Employment

First Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the Fire Chief to Execute on Behalf of Said City, Education Reimbursement Agreements with New or Recently Hired Employees Who have Paid for Their Own Fire Academy Tuition and Fees and Received Certification as a Result; and Requiring that the Employee Reimburse the City for Such Payments if He or She Voluntarily Terminates Employment Prior to the Completion of Three Years of Employment

First Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the Fire Chief to Execute on Behalf of Said City, Education Reimbursement Agreements with New or Recently Hired Employees who Have Paid for Their Own Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Training Tuition and Fees and Received Certification as a Result; and Requiring that the Employee Reimburse the City for Such Payments if He or She Voluntarily Terminates Employment Prior to the Completion of Three Years of Employment

First Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute on Behalf of Said City, Relocation Incentive Agreements with Newly Hired Police and Fire Recruits and Requiring that the Employee Reimburse the City of Such Payments and Collection Costs if He or She Voluntarily Terminates Employment Prior to the Completion of Three Years of Employment

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to approve the above captioned 4 ordinances regarding Fire, EMS and Police Education and Relocation Reimbursements, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4
Council Member McDonald**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Accept a Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Grant from the Texas Department of Transportation and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4
Council Member McDonald**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve One Partial Release of Oil and Gas Lease with Rodeo Midland Basin, LLC, and One Partial Release of Oil and Gas Lease with Rodeo Midland Basin, LLC, and Camterra Resources Partners, LTD., and Authorizing the Mayor or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 4
Council Member McDonald**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Council Input

Input

Council Member Yanez expressed that she is excited for the splash pad at Bert Andries Park to open and thanked the first responders

Council Member McDonald announced that after 21 years of working with Ports to Plains on the I-27 project that the last portion of that segment is being signed off and will be named I-27 East from Sterling City to Lamesa.

Executive Session

Adjourn into Executive Session in Accordance with the Purposes Permitted by the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.072 Texas Government Code, "Deliberation Regarding Real Property; Closed Meeting," to Deliberate the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property when Deliberation in an Open Meeting Would Have a Detrimental Effect on the Position of the Governmental Body in Negotiations with a Third Person.

There was no executive session at this time.

Reconvene into Open Session and Take any Necessary Action on Executive Session Items

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:15 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary