

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, May 14, 2024, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR PRO TEM TROY TOMPKINS
COUNCIL MEMBER HOMER WILKERSON
COUNCIL MEMBER DANIEL MORENO
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE YANEZ
MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER CODY HUGHES

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
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 5:30 p.m.

Invocation

Charles Harrington, First Christian 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 States Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

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One citizen thanked the staff for fixing the street in front of their business.

Election Items

Emergency Reading of a Resolution Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the General Election Held on the 4th Day of May, 2024, in the City of Big Spring, Texas; Finding and Determining that the Meeting at Which This Resolution was Discussed was Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Declaring an Emergency
Mayor Moore and the Council Members reviewed the canvass returns for District 4 and District 6 as follows:

District 4

Homer Wilkerson	331 votes
Matthew Grayson	64 votes

District 6

Daniel Moreno	109 votes
Steven "Boatie" Boatenhamer	99 votes

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas to approve the above captioned resolution declaring Homer Wilkerson for City Council Member District 4 and Daniel Moreno for City Council Member District 6, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 5
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Tompkins**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Recognition of Outgoing Council Member - Maury Smith

Mayor Moore presented a plaque to Council Member Smith and expressed his appreciation for serving on the Council.

Administer the Oath of Office to the Duly Elected Council Members for Districts Two, Four and Six

Judge Haynes administered the oath of office to duly elected Diane Yanez as Council Member District Two, Homer Wilkerson as Council Member District Four and to Daniel Moreno as Council Member District 6 and presented them with a certificate of election.

Election of Mayor Pro Tem

Council Member Hughes nominated Council Member Tompkins to be the next Mayor Pro Tem.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to elect Council Member Tompkins as Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Tompkins, City Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearings

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the below listed public hearings, seconded by Council Member Hughes.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PROCLAMATION - National Police Week

Mayor Moore presented a proclamation for National Police Week to Police Chief Chad Williams.

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1600 MAIN, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL

DESCRIPTION: LT 12 BK 18 MCDOWELL HEIGHTS 55X140 575 ACQ 09162016 BLK/TRACT 32 1S 0.177 ACRES – OWNER: STEVE GIRBY

The above captioned abatement for the property 1600 Main Street has been taken care of. No action necessary at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1217 W 3RD, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL

DESCRIPTION: LTS 10-11 BK 2 PRICE 73X130 558 ACQ 040207 BLK/TRACT 2 0.218 ACRES – OWNER: CORINNE CASARES

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to abate the above captioned property (1217 W. 3rd St.), seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1211 MAIN, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL
DESCRIPTION: LTS 5-6 BK 4 HATHCOCK HEIGHTS 100X140 152 BLK/TRACT 4
0.321 ACRES ACQ 04012021 – OWNER: ALLEN PEARSON

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to abate the above captioned property (1211 Main St.), seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Close Public Hearings

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to close the above captioned public hearings, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Large Item Pickup, District 5 - May 15th
- Council Directive on Budget
- Seasonal Jobs
- Bert Andries Splash Pad Opening - May 18th
- Russ McEwen Aquatic Center Opening - June 1st

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows:
Large item pickup for District 5 will be on May 15, 2024; On May 28th will be a council work session for council direction on the budget for 24-25; Seasonal jobs are open for the aquatic center, parks and sports complex; The Bert Andries

Splash Pad will open on May 18, 2024; and the EMS Contract Service is expected to begin no later than June 1st.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 23, 2024 and of the Special Meeting of May 7, 2024.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing Z-24-01, Amending the Big Spring Zoning Ordinance by Rezoning Approximately 7.180 Acres out of Sec 9, Blk 32, T-1-S, T & P R.R. Co. Survey, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas From Sf-2, Single-Family Dwelling District to Planned Development for a Housing Development; Providing for 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.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 50 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Utilities," Article VIII Entitled "Drought Contingency Plan," 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 Ornelas to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinances, seconded by Council Member Hughes.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 05/02/24 \$ 923,325.89

Vouchers for 05/09/24 \$ 893,134.97

Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for a 9 Ton Deck Crane for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to table the above captioned bid, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for an Aircraft Tow Tractor for the Airpark and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to award the above captioned bid to Best Tugs in the amount of \$27,483.69, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

New Business

Consideration and Possible Action on an Agreement with Playground Solutions for an All Ages, All Activities Playground Recommended by the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center Board of Directors and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action Authorizing Event Funding Request from CVB for ACES Basketball Event

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

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Council Member Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem
Tompkins, Council Member Moreno
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Council Input

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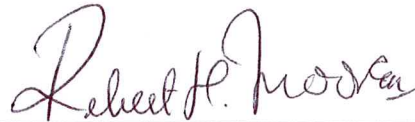
All Council Members welcomed the two new Council Members and thanked the Law Enforcement

Council Member Wilkerson is excited to be part of council and thanked everyone for who voted

Council Member Moreno is also excited to work with everyone

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council Meeting at 6:21 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary