

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, March 11, 2025, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER HOMER WILKERSON
MAYOR PRO TEM TROY TOMPKINS
COUNCIL MEMBER DANIEL MORENO

Same and constituting a quorum, for which four Council Members 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
SUSAN HIMES	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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Scott Hart with a local Outreach Center thanked the city staff, city council and the police dept for their help and assistance with locating a family of a deceased gentleman that was homeless.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearing

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the below listed public hearing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 4208 BIRCH, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 6, BLOCK 1, MESA SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: ALFRED BEJIL & BERTHA BEJIL

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to abate the above captioned property (4208 Birch), seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Close Public Hearing

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins, Council Member Moreno**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Update - Large Item Pickup, District 2
- Large Item Pickup, District 3 - March 19th
- Update - E-Waste

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

Large item pickup for District 2 picked up 16 tons of items; Large item pickup for District 3 will be on March 19th; The E-waste day collected 14 pallets of electronics; Mr. Darden also recognized Jennifer Cloud and congratulated her for receiving a Professional Airport Lighting Maintenance Certification.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 25, 2025 and the Special Meeting of February 28, 2025.

Acknowledge Receipt of the McMahon-Wrinkle Aviation Advisory Board Minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 16, 2025

Final Reading of a Resolution Declaring the Unopposed Candidate in the May 3, 2025 General Election for Mayor of the City of Big Spring as Elected to Office; Canceling the General Election for the Position of Mayor; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of a Resolution Finding that the Statement of Intent of Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division to Change Rates Filing Within the City Should be Denied; Finding that the City's Reasonable Rate Case Expenses Shall be Reimbursed by the Company; Finding that the Meeting at Which this Resolution is Passed is Open to the Public as Required by Law; Requiring Notice of this Resolution to the Company and Legal Counsel; and Providing an Effective Date.

Final Reading of a Resolution to Authorize the Filing of a Grant Application with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for a Habitat and Angler Access Program Grant Authorizing the Community Services Director to Act on Behalf of the City of Big Spring in All Matters Related to the Application; and Pledging that if a Grant is Received the City of Big Spring will Comply with the Grant Requirements of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; Providing for Severability; and Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution were Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Establishing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to approve the above captioned minutes and resolutions, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Other Business

Final Reading of a Resolution Reviewing and Approving the Investment Policy of the City of Big Spring

Consideration and Possible Action on Amendments to the Investment Policy Resolution

Consideration and Possible Action on the Amended Investment Policy Resolution

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

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 02/28/25 \$ 256,008.03

Vouchers for 03/07/25 \$ 825,452.20

Council Member Moreno reviewed the above captioned vouchers for 02/28/25 and 03/07/25.

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

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for a Kubota Utility Tractor for the Street Department 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 TCT Incorporated in the amount of \$69,371.58, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

New Business

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 36 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Nuisances," Article Iv "Abandoned, Inoperative or Junked Motor Vehicles"; 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 Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Moreno.

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

First Reading of a Resolution to Authorize the Implementation of a Pilot Program for Lateral Recruitment and Hiring of Police Officers; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; and Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution were Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Establishing an Effective Date;

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

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve an Amendment of the Lease Agreement for Building 19 at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport and Industrial Park with Lessee, ABS Wind USA LLC, and to Consent to the Sublease by the Lessee to ZF Services, LLC, 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 Ornelas.

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Review and Approve the Current Investment Advisor, Harrison Stenberg

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to approve the review of the Current Investment Advisor, Harrison Stenberg, seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

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

NAYS: None

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MOTION

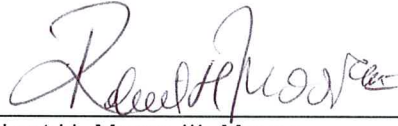
Council Input

Input

There was no council input at this time.

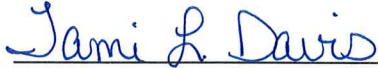
Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6.06 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert H. Moore III", written over a horizontal line.

Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tami L. Davis", written over a horizontal line.

Tami L. Davis, City Secretary