

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, April 22, 2025, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE YANEZ
COUNCIL MEMBER CODY HUGHES
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

Ricky Cartensen, First Methodist Church, gave the invocation.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

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There were no public comments at this time.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Mayor Moore opened the below listed presentations and public hearing at 5:33 p.m.

Presentation and Acceptance of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation's Financial Statement (Audit) for Year Ended September 30, 2024 by Bolinger, Segar, Gilbert & Moss L.L.P.

Presentation and Acceptance of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Year Ended September 30, 2024 by Bolinger, Segar, Gilbert & Moss L.L.P.

David Copeland with Bolinger, Segar, Gilbert & Moss presented the above captioned Annual Financial Reports for the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation and the City of Big Spring. Council Members accepted the above captioned reports. No action was necessary.

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 410 OWENS, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 6, BLOCK 2, PORTER SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: MAX HERNANDEZ

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to abate the structure in the rear side of the property at the above listed property (410 Owens), seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

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

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NAYS: Council Member Moreno

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MOTION PASSED

Mayor Moore closed the above captioned presentations and public hearing at 6:03 p.m.

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Update - Large Item Pickup, District 4
- I-27 Report
- Code Enforcement Report

- Fun Day on the Run Way - April 26th
- Tire Drive - May 3rd
- Early Voting Started

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows:
Large item pickup for District 4 picked up 4 tons of items; A few staff members attended a ceremony opening up 4.2 miles of I-27 south of Lubbock; A hand out was given to the Council on the process of abatements; An event called Fun Day on the Run Way will be at the McMahon Wrinkle Airport on April 26th from 10 -1; A tire drive will be held at the Big Sandy Landfill on May 3rd; and also early voting has started for Council Member District 5.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8, 2025

Approval to Amend City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2024

Final Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Big Spring Zoning Regulations, Article 6 "District Regulations", Section 6-6 "Districts and Permitted Uses" by Adding "Shooting Range - Indoor Only" as a Permitted Use in the CA (Central Area District) in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinance, 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 04/11/25 \$ 848,946.99

Vouchers for 04/17/25 \$ 335,099.06

Council Member Wilkerson reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

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

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action on Awarding a Bid for 2 Replacement HVAC Systems For West Side Day Care and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to award the above captioned bid to SKC A/C LLC in the amount of \$25,995.00, 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 to Award a Bid for a Sideload Rollout Refuse Truck for the Sanitation Department and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to award the above captioned bid to Bond Equipment in the amount of \$406,006.00, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**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

Acknowledge Receipt of the Quarterly Claims and Litigation Report from the City Attorney Sent on April 8, 2025

City Council Members acknowledged the above captioned report from the City Attorney. No action necessary.

Acknowledge Receipt of the Second Quarter Financial Report

Acknowledge Receipt of the Second Quarter FY 2024-2025 Investment Report
City Council Members acknowledged receipt of the above captioned reports by the Finance Director. No action necessary.

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 028-2024 Which Adopted the Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2024 and Ending September 30, 2025 by Increasing the Utility Fund Budget for the Purpose of Installing a Drive-Up Service Window for Customer Convenience; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

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

**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

First Reading of an Ordinance 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 Deleting Subsection (E) to Activate the Parks and Recreation Board; 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 ordinance, 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

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 1 of the Big Spring City Code; Section 1-2 Entitled "Definitions and Rules Of Construction" to Define "Sport Shooting Range" to Conform to the Definition Under State Law, and Amending Chapter 38 of the Big Spring City Code, Section 38-1 Entitled "Firearms, Discharge Prohibited" and Section 38-6 Entitled "BB-Guns, Air Guns, Slingshots, Etc" to Continue to Prohibit Discharge Of Firearms, Air Guns, And Slingshots Within City Limits, and to Make Discharge of Such Only at Sport Shooting Ranges Exceptions to the Violations; 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; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins to approve the above captioned ordinance, 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

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve a Third Amendment to Oil & Gas Lease between the City of Big Spring and HighPeak Energy Assets, LLC, to Amend that

Certain Oil & Gas Lease Recorded in Volume 1829, Page 559, Official Public Records of Howard County, and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute Any Necessary Documents.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Hughes to approve the above captioned amendment, 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 to Delegate Authority to the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract for Architectural Services with Chapman Harvey Architects, Inc.

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

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Council Member Hughes, 6
Council Member Wilkerson, Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins, Council Member
Moreno**

NAYS: Council Member Ornelas 1

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Move the Big Spring Vietnam Veterans Memorial from SWCID Land to Airpark Land.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned move of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial from its current location to the McMahon Wrinkle Airpark, seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

**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

Input

All Council Members thanked and expressed their appreciation to Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins for serving on the Council as this was his last full meeting.

Council Member Ornelas thanked the police department for helping the family of Mr. Rodriguez.

Council Member Yanez thanked the staff for working on adding a drive thru window at water office.

Council Member Hughes thanked the water office staff for their assistance.

Council Member Moreno thanked the citizens for their help with the Vietnam

Veterans Memorial.

Mayor Pro Tem Tompkins thanked citizens in District 5 for allowing him to serve and he has enjoyed working with the Council and agrees with Council Member Ornelas on working harder on getting citizens to serve on Boards and Committees.

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:58 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary