

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 p.m., February 22, 2022, with the following members present in person:

SHANNON THOMASON	Mayor
NICK ORNELAS	Mayor Pro Tem
DIANE YANEZ	Councilmember
CODY HUGHES	Councilmember
GLORIA MCDONALD	Councilmember
TROY TOMPKINS	Councilmember

(Councilmember Smith was not present at this meeting.)

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
CRAIG FERGUSON	Fire Chief
CHAD WILLIAMS	Police Chief
SHANE BOWLES	Public Works Director
MIKE FEELEY	Airpark Director
SANDY SMITH	Finance Director
HAYLEY LEWIS	Community Services Director
TAMI DAVIS	City Secretary
TIM GREEN	Municipal Judge

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Hughes gave the invocation and Mayor Thomason led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

No announcements, presentations or public hearings at this time.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Todd Darden, City Manager, gave an update on the following:

- Update on Large Item Pickup Reminder for District 2
- Update on Board Appointments
- Update on the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds
- Update on renovating the Westside Community Center for a new tenant
- Update on the Fire Station Bathroom renovations

CONSENT ITEMS

APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 2022

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 039-2021 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY ACCEPTING A DONATION TO BE USED FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE BIG SPRING CITY CODE ENTITLED "PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS," ARTICLE II, "PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES," DIVISION 2, "PAVILION AREAS," BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 40-54 ENTITLED "STEWART PAVILION" TO RENAME "BUFFALO PAVILION," ALSO KNOWN AS "2ND PAVILION," TO "STEWART PAVILION" IN HONOR OF HOWARD AND VICKI STEWART; AMENDING SECTION 40-58 "USE OF FACILITIES; UNUSUAL NOISE, ETC." FOR CONSISTENCY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinances, seconded by Councilmember Yanez, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE BIG SPRING CITY CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE VII "BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS," DIVISION "ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT," SECTION 2-314 "ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE" TO CREATE SEVEN ALTERNATE BOARD

POSITIONS FOR THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT; REQUIRING THAT EACH MEMBER POSSESS THE SAME QUALIFICATIONS AS REGULAR BOARD MEMBERS; AND ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS UNDER WHICH ALTERNATE MEMBERS SHALL SERVE IN PLACE OF A REGULAR BOARD MEMBER; PROVIDING FOR REMOVAL OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS FOR JUST CAUSE AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

After a brief discussion motion was made by McDonald to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Councilmember Hughes, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

VOUCHERS

Councilmember Yanez reviewed the following vouchers:

VOUCHERS FOR 02/04/2022	\$	389,968.68
VOUCHERS FOR 02/10/2022	\$	1,282,788.54
VOUCHERS FOR 02/17/2022	\$	744,130.83

Motion was made by Councilmember Yanez to approve the above captioned vouchers, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

BIDS

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A BID AWARD FOR THE 2021 WATER LINE REPLACEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas awarding a bid for the 2021 water line replacements to Whitewater Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,298,288.00, seconded by Councilmember McDonald, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A BID AWARD FOR A BATWING MOWER FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember McDonald awarding a bid for a Batwing Mower to South Plains Implement in the amount of \$24,892.28, seconded by Councilmember Hughes, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A BID AWARD FOR A ZERO TURN MOWER FOR THE PARK'S DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Tompkins awarding a bid for a zero turn mower to South Plains Implement in the amount of \$10,952.48, seconded by Councilmember Hughes, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A BID AWARD FOR A GREENS MOWER FOR THE GOLF COURSE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes awarding a bid for a greens mower to Austin Turf & Tractor in the amount of \$42,012.68, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

NEW BUSINESS

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE BIG SPRING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 18, 2022 AND FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JANUARY 25, 2022

Councilmembers acknowledge receipt of the above captioned minutes

REPORT OF THE RACIAL PROFILING ANALYSIS 2021

Chad Williams, Police Chief, gave a brief report on the Racial Profiling Analysis 2021.

EMERGENCY READING OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EITHER OR BOTH OF THE PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS 2022 COMPETITIVE (9%) HOUSING TAX CREDIT ("HTC") BEALS CREEK MANOR PROJECT AND/OR THE TRAILS AT BIG SPRING PROJECT AND PLEDGING \$500 IN PERMIT FEES TOWARDS THE PROJECT(S), AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember McDonald to approve the above captioned resolution as an emergency, seconded by Councilmember Hughes, with all members of the Council present voting "aye."

FIRST READING OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DRAINAGE DESIGN CRITERIA MANUAL FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER DRAINAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE CITY AND ITS ETJ; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the above captioned resolution, seconded by Councilmember McDonald, with all members of the council present voting "aye."

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 039-2021 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF

LIGHTING REPLACEMENTS AT THE ROY ANDERSON SPORTS COMPLEX;
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING
AN EFFECTIV DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the above captioned ordinance,
seconded by Councilmember Yanez, with all members of the Council present voting “aye.”

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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30,
2022 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT
FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR
PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember McDonald to approve the above captioned ordinance,
seconded by Councilmember Yanez, with all members of the Council present voting “aye.”

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH FINCHER
ENGINEERING, LLC FOR AUDITORIUM HEATING AND UPGRADES AND
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY
NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes to approve the above captioned ordinance,
seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ornelas, with all members of the Council present voting “aye.”

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

One Nominee – District 2

Rhonda Paredez – Nominated by Councilmember Yanez

Councilmembers appointed Rhonda Paredez to the Traffic Commission by acclamation.

COUNCIL INPUT


All Councilmembers thanked staff.

Councilmember Tompkins would like to see more promotions towards tournaments at the Roy
Anderson Sports Complex. Councilmember Tompkins also expressed his concerns regarding the
loose dogs and updated the citizens and council on several things he was involved in to help the
Animal Control Shelter.

Mayor Thomason gave a COVID update and read an executive order ending the emergency
declaration regarding COVID-19. Mayor Thomason closed by reminded everyone to help
control the pet population by having their pets spayed or neutered.

ADJOURN

Mayor Thomason adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.



Shannon D. Thomason, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary