

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., January 8, 2019, with the following members present:

LARRY McLELLAN	Mayor
RAUL MARQUEZ	Councilmember
DOUG HARTMAN	Councilmember
HOWARD STEWART	Councilmember
RAUL BENAVIDES	Councilmember
JIM DEPAUW	Councilmember

(Mayor Pro Tem McDaniel was not present at this meeting.)

Same and constituting a quorum; and

TODD DARDEN	City Manager
MARIANNE BANKS	City Attorney
JOHN MEDINA	Assistant City Manger
CHAD WILLIAMS	Police Chief
CRAIG FERGUSON	Fire Chief
JIM LITTLE	Airpark Director
TIM GREEN	Municipal Court Judge
HAYLEY HERRERA	Community Services Director
DON MOORE	Finance Director/City Secretary

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Clark Tatum, 14th & Main Church of Christ, gave the invocation and Mayor McLellan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

RECOGNITIONS

The following item was recognized by the City Council:

A donation from Oxy in the amount of \$10,000 was given to the Big Spring Fire Department for the purchase of additional equipment & bunker gear.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 11, 2018.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hartman, seconded by Councilmember Marquez, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above listed minutes.

CONSENT ITEMS

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE HOWARD COUNTY HOTEL ASSOCIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING BULLET RESISTANT VESTS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM SM ENERGY FOR THE PURCHASE OF RESCUE TOOLS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 TO INCREASE THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM TRANSGLOBAL TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE PUMPER FIRE TRUCK; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE GREGG STREET LIGHTING PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

FINAL READING OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE CALLING A PORTION OF CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2007, FOR REDEMPTION PRIOR TO MATURITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

COUNCILMEMBER DEPAUW REVIEWED THE VOUCHERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$351,924.81 (12/14/18), \$1,082,506.76 (12/20/18) AND \$501,480.95 (01/03/19).

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” approving the second and final reading of the above captioned ordinances, resolution, and vouchers.

BIDS

AWARD BID TO PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIAL AQUATICS, INC. FOR AQUATIC CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Marquez, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” awarding the above captioned bid to Progressive Commercial Aquatics, Inc. in the amount of \$220,062.18.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE AIRPARK FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A PIECE OF PROPERTY FOR THE SAFETY RUNWAY AREA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember Marquez, seconded by Councilmember DePauw, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” approving the above captioned ordinance.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE AIRPARK FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A UTILITY TRACTOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember Marquez, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” approving the above captioned ordinance.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 TO INCREASE THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CVB EVENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned ordinance.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 042-2018 WHICH ADOPTED THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 BY INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO ACCEPT A DONATION TO BE USED TO PURCHASE BUNKER GEAR AND CARDIAC MONITOR EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Marquez, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned ordinance.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO THE TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Benavides, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned tax abatement.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Motion was made by Councilmember Marquez, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned report.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BSEDC FUNDING OF CISD ROBOTICS PROGRAM

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A BSEDC BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE 2018-2019 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR \$473,700

Motion was made by Councilmember Benavides, seconded by Councilmember Marquez, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned funding and budget amendment.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG SPRING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HELD ON NOVEMBER 15, 2018

Motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” approving the above captioned minutes.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Todd Darden, City Manager, announced the following item:

- City offices will be closed on January 21st for Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

COUNCIL INPUT

Mayor McLellan thanked Councilmember Stewart for his work and dedication on the Festival of Lights.

Councilmember Stewart thanked everyone who helped with the Festival of Lights and that they had 30,128 visitors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH CITY ATTORNEY AND STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072 TO DELIBERATE THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 5, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074 TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION AND DUTIES OF THE CITY MANAGER

ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODES SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) TO CONSULT WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY CONCERNING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AT 6:04 P.M.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AT 8:06 P.M.

Motion was made by Councilmember Benavides, seconded by Councilmember Marquez, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” authorizing the Mayor to negotiate a contract with the City Manager; and

There was no action taken on the other executive sessions.

ADJOURN

Mayor McLellan adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.



Larry McLellan, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, Assistant City Secretary