

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 22, 2019, with the following members present:

LARRY McLELLAN	Mayor
TERRY McDANIEL	Mayor Pro Tem
DOUG HARTMAN	Councilmember
HOWARD STEWART	Councilmember
RAUL BENAVIDES	Councilmember
JIM DEPAUW	Councilmember

(Councilmember Marquez 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
DON MOORE	Finance Director/City Secretary

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McLellan gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

PRESENTATION – JANUARY STAR EMPLOYEES

Mayor McLellan presented the January Star Employees to Angela Brown, Gene Rodriguez and Albert Valle from the Distribution and Collection Department.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 20, 2018 AND REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2019.

Motion was made by Councilmember Benavides, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, 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 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

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 AIRPARK FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A UTILITY TRACTOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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

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 Hartman, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, with all members of the Council present voting “aye” approving the second and final reading of the above captioned ordinances.

VOUCHERS FOR 01/10/19 \$ 1,036,572.69
VOUCHERS FOR 01/17/19 \$ 501,480.95

Review of the above captioned vouchers was taken off this meeting and will be put on the next council meeting due to the absence of Councilmember Marquez.

BIDS

AWARD BID TO LONE STAR EMERGENCY GROUP, INC. FOR A FIRE TRUCK

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" awarding the above captioned bid to Lone Star Emergency Group, Inc. in the amount of \$391,782.00.

AWARD BID TO YELLOWHOUSE MACHINERY OF MIDLAND FOR A TRASH COMPACTOR

Motion was made by Councilmember Benavides, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" awarding the above captioned bid to Yellowhouse Machinery in the amount of \$544,542.00.

AWARD BID TO QUALITE SPORTS LIGHTING, LLC FOR ROY ANDERSON SPORTS COMPLEX LIGHTING PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember DePauw, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" awarding the above captioned bid to Qualite Sports Lighting, LLC in the amount of \$195,400.00.

REQUEST TO REJECT ALL BIDS FOR GOLF COURSE IRRIGATION IMPROVEMENTS

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Hartman, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" approving the above captioned request to reject all bids.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2019 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR DISTRICT FIVE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; DESIGNATING SEVERAL POLLING PLACES WITHIN THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE NOTICE AND HAVE THE NOTICE POSTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC OF SAID ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Benavides, 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 GENERAL

FUND BUDGET TO ACCOUNT FOR THE INCREASED COST OF A PUMPER FIRE TRUCK; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion was made by Councilmember DePauw, seconded by Councilmember Benavides, 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 LANDFILL FUND BUDGET TO ACCOUNT FOR THE INCREASE IN PRICE OF A NEW COMPACTOR; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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

EMERGENCY READING OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO WAIVE THE PENALTY AND SHUT-OFF PROVISIONS FOR UTILITY SERVICES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR UNPAID FEDERAL EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO PAY FOR UTILITY SERVICES INCURRED UNTIL THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REOPENS OR WORKERS ARE PAID; ENCOURAGING OTHER UTILITY PROVIDERS TO TAKE SIMILAR ACTION PROTECTING THE HOMES AND FAMILIES OF UNPAID FEDERAL EMPLOYEES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF PROVIDING A NOON MEAL TO UNPAID FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AT THE SENIOR CENTER

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

EMERGENCY READING OF A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING GOVERNOR ABBOTT AND THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS TO AUTHORIZE EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO PAY REAL ESTATE PROPERTY TAXES WITHOUT INCURRING INTEREST OR PENALTIES DURING THE DURATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUT-DOWN; ENCOURAGING LANDLORDS, LENDERS AND OTHER HOUSING PROVIDERS TO CONSIDER PROVIDING EXTENSIONS OF TIME FOR UNPAID FEDERAL EMPLOYEES TO PAY EXPENSES FOR HOUSING; AND ANY SIMILAR ACTIONS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HOMES AND FAMILIES OF UNPAID FEDERAL EMPLOYEES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO RESTORE THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE AND TRAFFIC COMMISSION

After a brief discussion to restore the Parks and Recreation Committee and Traffic Commission the Council agreed to restore these committees.

APPROVAL OF A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2019 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

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

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH FREESE AND NICHOLS, INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR AIRPARK ROADS, PHASE 1, PERIMETER ROAD AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember DePauw, with all members of the Council present voting "aye" to table the above captioned agreement.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BIG SPRING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HELD ON DECEMBER 18, 2018

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

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Todd Darden, City Manager, encouraged citizens to assist in the Water Line Survey.

COUNCIL INPUT

No Council input.

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 WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BIG SPRING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION UNDER THE PROVISIONS


OF TITLE 5 TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.087 TO DISCUSS OR DELIBERATE COMMERCIAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONCERNING ENTITIES THAT THE CITY SEEKS TO HAVE LOCATE, STAY OR EXPAND IN OR NEAR THE CITY AND WITH WHICH THE CITY AND BIG SPRING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ARE CONDUCTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; AND UNDER TITLE 5, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072 TO DELIBERATE THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY (QUARTERLY UPDATE) AT 6:56 P.M.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AT 7:46 P.M.

There was no action taken.

ADJOURN

Mayor McLellan adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.



Larry McLellan, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, Assistant City Secretary