

CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

October 27, 2022

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A REGULAR City Council meeting was held by the City Council of the City of Palacios on October 27, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 311 Henderson, Palacios, Texas 77465.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gardner called the REGULAR City Council meeting to order at 6:05PM.

CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Gardner certified a quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Mayor, Jim Gardner, Present
Councilmember Place 6, Michael Dotson, Present
Councilmember Place 5, Raylynn Samora, Present
Councilmember, Place 4, Troy Lewis, Present
Councilmember Place 3, Chip Woolf, Present
Councilmember, Place 2, Sharon Trainor, Present
Councilmember Place 1, Larry Glenn, Present until 6:22PM

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager
Anne Marie Odefey, City Attorney
Tammy McDonald, HR/ Finance
Tobie Bias, Police Chief
Aleighta Galvan, City Secretary
Stewart Foley, Animal Care Services

INVOCATION & PLEDGES

Mayor Gardner recognized Councilmember Woolf, who led the Council, Staff, and Citizens in prayer and pledges to the U.S., Texas, and Palacios Flags.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- i. Mayor's Announcements ~ *Mayor Gardner thanked the public for attending the meeting.*
- ii. Council Member's Announcements ~ *Council members discussed citizen forum from previous council meeting. Councilmember Glenn walked out of the meeting at 6:22PM.*

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION FORUM: ~ Public Comments

- i. *Joe Monk ~ spoke about citizens addressing council*
- ii. *Roman McAcllen ~ spoke about his concern for the Luther Hotel possibly being demolished.*

OATHS OF OFFICE:

Mayor Gardner administered oaths of office for City Secretary, Aleigha Galvan, and newly elected members of the Planning and Zoning Commission; Ron Laws, Delores McDaniels, and Thomas Chando.

PRESENTATIONS:

- i. *Garver Engineering gave a presentation on funding alternatives for water and wastewater needs. Council discussed.*
- ii. *Tammy McDonald, Finance Director, presented the October financial update to Council and Council discussed.*

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Minutes ~ October 13, 2022,** ~ Regular City Council Meeting. *APPROVED BY MOTION. MOTION: LEWIS. SECONDED: SAMORA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*
2. **MOU Palacios ISD Police Department** ~ Police Chief Tobie Bias ~ Discuss and take actions to approve MOU between Palacios ISD and Palacios PD to use evidence room services and reporting system. *No discussion was made. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: SAMORA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*
3. **Leasing of Police Vehicles** ~ Police Chief Tobie Bias ~ Discuss leasing options for new police vehicles. *Council discussed leasing options and cost of new vehicles. Item to be placed on next agenda for action.*
4. **2023-2024 CDBG Administration Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve administrative services for 2023-2024 CDBG Grant. *Council discussed options and Grantworks was chosen. PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: LEWIS. COUNCILMEMBER TRAINOR WAS A NAY.*
5. **2023-2024 CDBG Engineering Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve engineering services for 2023-2024 CDBG Grant. *Council Discussed options and Urban Engineering was chosen. PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: LEWIS. SECONDED: DOTSON. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*
6. **2023-2024 Downtown Revitalization (DRP) Administration Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve administrative services for 2023-2024 Downtown Revitalization Program. *Council discussed details about the grant. Langford was chosen.*

PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: SAMORA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **2023-2024 Downtown Revitalization (DRP) Engineering Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve engineering services for 2023-2024 Downtown Revitalization Program. *Council discussed scores for engineers who applied. Council discussed options. Hewitt Zollars was chosen. PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: TRAINOR. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*
8. **2023-2024 Planning and Capacity Building Fund (PCB) Administration Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve administrative services for 2023-2024 Planning and Capacity Building Fund. *McDonald recommends in house staffing for this grant. PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: WOOLF. SECONDED: DOTSON. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*
9. **2023-2024 Planning and Capacity Building Fund (PCB) Engineering Services** ~ Tammy McDonald ~ Discuss and approve engineering services for 2023-2024 Planning and Capacity Building Fund. *Tammy McDonald recommends Urban Engineering. PASSED BY MOTION. MOTION: LEWIS. SECONDED: DOTSON. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*

CLOSED/ EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into Executive Session at 8:19PM

RECONVENE TO OPEN / REGULAR SESSION

Council reconvened to open session at 9:27PM

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.072, to discuss surplus property listing and sales agreement.

- i. *MOTION WAS MADE TO SELL 201 FOURTH STREET TO BERNABIE AND NORA APARICIO FOR \$151,050.00. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: LEWIS. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY*
- ii. *MOTION WAS MADE TO SELL 408 COMMERCE TO ERF REAL ESTATE CORPORATION FOR \$85,000. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: SAMORA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*
- iii. *MOTION WAS MADE TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO RENEGOTIATE THE CONTRACT FOR 205 FOURTH STREET WITH THE CURRENT PURPOSED BUYER. MOTION: DOTSON. SECONDED: SAMORA. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned by Mayor Gardner at 9:30PM.


Jim Gardner, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Aleigha Galvan, CITY SECRETARY

