

**CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

MINUTES

JUNE 16, 2022

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A Special City Council meeting was held by the City Council of the City of Palacios on June 16, 2022, at 6:00PM, in the Council Chamber, 311 Henderson, Palacios, Texas 77465.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gardner called the Special meeting to order at 6:00PM.

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, Raylyn 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*

Staff in Attendance:

*City Manager, Cynthia Raleigh
City Finance Manager, Tammy McDonald
Police Chief, Tobie Bias
Public Works Director, Darrell Robbins
Solid Waste Coordinator, Peggy Georgi
Administrative Assistant, Aleigha Galvan*

INVOCATION & PLEDGES

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

VISITOR / CITIZEN FORUM

NONE

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **2020 – 2021 Audit** ~ Discuss, consider, and/or possibly take action on the 2020 – 2021 Audit.

Lead by the auditors, the audit for 2020 – 2021 was presented and discussed. The audit was favorable and was accepted and approved as presented, by motion. MOTION: Dotson / Trainor. Unanimous.

2. **Budget Workshop** ~ Capital Planning – Discuss and consider needs and plans for the 2022 - 2023 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of Palacios, Texas.

Lead by City Manager, Cynthia Raleigh, the budget Capital Planning session for the 2022 – 2023 Fiscal Year was started. The following areas were the focus of the session:

- a) *Government:*
 1. *Community Education – Gunda Company*
 2. *Website remodel and presentation*
 3. *Teamwork*
 4. *Laserfische program*
 5. *Live feed of council meetings*
- b) *Public Safety:*
 1. *Vehicles – (2) pickups*
 2. *Chipper*
 3. *Dump truck*
- c) *Quality of Life:*
 1. *Infrastructure – replace cast-iron water lines*
 2. *Engineers*
 3. *Drainage*
 4. *Plumbing*
 5. *Streets*
 6. *Lighting*
 7. *Sidewalks*
 8. *Clean-up neighborhoods*
 9. *Police Department image*
 10. *All departments – image change*
- d) *Economic Development Corp:*
 1. *Festivals and events*
 2. *Mainstreet and tourism*
 3. *Historical downtown*
 4. *Long term lease for Airport and Golf course*
- e) *Parks:*
 1. *Beautification*
 2. *PEDC*

3. *Adult Park – Foley Addition*

f) *Overall Suggestions:*

1. *Ongoing infrastructure upgrade and maintenance*
2. *Competitive salaries and benefits for employees*
3. *Historical downtown and tourism*
4. *Beautification city-wide*
5. *Parks – ADA compliant*
6. *Continual training in all areas*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned by Mayor Gardner at 8:32PM.

JIM GARDNER, Mayor

ATTEST:

ALEIGHA GALVAN, Administrative Assistant