

CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

JUNE 23, 2022

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A Regular City Council meeting was held by the City Council of the City of Palacios on June 23, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, 311 Henderson, Palacios, Texas 77465.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to Chapter 214, of the Texas Local Government Code, that a hearing before the Board of Adjustments of the City of Palacios, Texas, shall be held on June 9, 2022, at 6:00PM, in the Council Chambers at 311 Henderson Ave., Palacios, Texas, concerning violations of Article 3.08 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Palacios, Texas. Notices of violation(s) have been issued to the property owners and to the Board of Adjustments.

Ron Laws, Chairperson, started the public hearing at 6:04PM for the Board of Adjustments. He asked if anyone was present that wished to discuss or comment on any of the properties involved in this hearing. This is the last of two public hearings regarding these properties (List attached). There were no public comments, so the hearing was closed at 6:04PM.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gardner called the Regular meeting to order at 6:02PM.

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, Excused
Councilmember Place 3, Chip Woolf, Present
Councilmember, Place 2, Sharon Trainor, Present
Councilmember Place 1, Larry Glenn, Excused*

Staff in Attendance:

*City Manager, Cynthia Raleigh
Attorney, Thomas Gwosdz
City Finance Manager, Tammy McDonald
Public Works Director, Darrell Robbins
City Secretary, David Holubec*

INVOCATION & PLEDGES

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

VISITOR / CITIZEN FORUM

None

PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. April – 2022 Financial and Grant Update.

Tammy McDonald, Finance Manager, presented the update for discussion with Council.

2. May – 2022 Financial and Grant Update.

Tammy McDonald, Finance Manager, presented the update for discussion with Council. Changes were suggested by Councilmember Woolf regarding how the budget update was presented and what he would recommend for future presentation to Council.

3. City Manager’s Report.

Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager, highlighted the following information in her report:

- a) *Street sign(s) progress*
- b) *Budget goals*
- c) *Utility department and the billing audit underway*
- d) *Trash cans to be installed*
- e) *Budgeting software installed*
- f) *Renovation of “Pet Pals” building*
- g) *Swimming Pool progress with the YMCA*
 - *Lifeguards – YMCA*
 - *Pool Operation – YMCA*
 - *Pool hours: Thurs. – Sun. 2PM – 7PM*
 - *YMCA – rent for private parties*
 - *“Dive-In” Movie Showings – City*
 - *No swimmer user fees*
 - *City to YMCA – \$1,500 monthly*
 - *City Manager investigating the possibility of negotiating for the pool property and the future of the pool*
- h) *Annual Rachal Foundation meeting here in Palacios.*

4. Recognition and Announcements (If any). Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager

None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. **Navigation District Inter-Local Agreement** ~ Discuss, consider, and/or take possible action on an Inter-Local Agreement between the City of Palacios and the Navigation District.

Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager, reviewed the agreement with Council and discussed the history of its existence and importance. The inter-local agreement was approved as presented, by motion. MOTION: Samora / Dotson. Unanimous.

6. **RESOLUTION #2022-R-17 – Matagorda County Hazard Mitigation Plan-D** ~ Discuss, consider, and/or take possible action on a Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager, presented and discussed the mitigation agreement, which involves Bay City and Matagorda County. After discussion regarding the resolution’s background and need, which is behind schedule, due to the removal of the previous City manager, while this was being first proposed. It was approved, as presented, by motion. MOTION: Dotson / Samora. Unanimous.

7. **Committees, Commissions, and Boards** – Discuss and consider the validity and effectiveness of current committees, commissions, and board members, specifically the Airport Committee and Planning & Zoning Commission. Requested by, M. Dotson and S. Trainor, Councilmembers.

After reading aloud the agenda item, Mayor Gardner called for an executive session meeting on the item. Council went to closed session at 6:51PM. After reconvening at 7:30PM, council took no action. Mayor Gardner did request a list of committee members and their terms. He also encouraged volunteerism on City committees and boards.

8. **MINUTES** – June 9, 2022 – Regular City Council Meeting. David Holubec, City Secretary

*After the agenda item was read, the minutes were approved, as presented, by motion.
MOTION: Dotson / Trainor. Unanimous.*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned by Mayor Gardner at 7:33PM.

Jim Gardner, MAYOR

ATTEST:

David Holubec, CITY SECRETARY