

CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING

MINUTES

October 26, 2023

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A public hearing and regular City Council meeting was held by the City Council of the City of Palacios on October 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in Council Chambers located at 311 Henderson, Palacios, Texas 77465.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Gardner called the regular City Council meeting to order at 6:01PM.

CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Jim Gardner certified a quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

*Mayor, Jim Gardner, Present
Councilmember Place 6, Donna Schulman, Absent
Councilmember Place 5, Jason Hink, Present
Councilmember, Place 4, Margie Wier, Present
Councilmember Place 3, Chip Woolf, Present
Councilmember, Place 2, Sharon Trainor, Present
Councilmember Place 1, Larry Glenn, Present*

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

*Dennis Arriaga, filling in for City Attorney
Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager
Tobie Bias, Palacios Police Chief
Aleigha Galvan, City Secretary
Tammy McDonald, HR/ Grant Manager
Maria Ayala, Finance Manager*

PUBLIC HEARING

- The public is invited to speak for or against the creation of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number One, City of Palacios, Texas, the proposed boundaries, or the concept of tax increment financing. *Public hearing opened at 6:03pm. Tent Weixelman spoke on behalf of the Palacios Golf Course in favor of the TIRZ and answered questions from Council and staff. D.C. Dunham and Stuart Lynn also answered questions from the public, Council, and staff. Public hearing closed at 7:06pm*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mayor's Announcements ~ *Mayor notified Council and the public about local events happening over the next few weeks.*
- Council Members Announcements ~ *none*

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION FORUM:

PRESENTATION

- **City Manager's Update** *Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager. Raleigh updated Council and Citizens about projects around town.*
- **Planning and Zoning Commission Quarterly Report** *Planning and Zoning Chairman, Thomas Chando. Chairman Chando left early and rescheduled his presentation.*

DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

1. **Minutes** Discuss and approve minutes from the Regular Council meeting of October 12, 2023. *Mayor Gardner. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to approve minutes from October 12th Council meeting. Councilmember Hink seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.*
2. **Bills Paid September** Discuss and approve bills paid for September. *Finance Manager, Maria Ayala. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to approve bills paid for September 2023. Councilmember Wier seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*
3. **Resolution No. 2023-R-31 City Wide Drainage Project Bid Acceptance** Discuss and approve construction contractor for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 22-087-D301 for drainage and water improvements for previously awarded General Land Office project. *Matt Glaze, Urban Engineering. Matt Glaze recommended awarding bid to Lester Contracting. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to award bid to Lester Contracting. Councilmember Woolf seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*
4. **Resolution No. 2023-R-32 Approving City Manager KPI's** Discuss and approve a resolution of the City of Palacios to set Key Performance Indicators for the City Manager. *Mayor Gardner. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-R-32 approving city manager key performance indicators. Councilmember Wier seconded to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*
5. **Resolution No. 2023-R-28 Public Pier** Discuss and approve a resolution of the City of Palacios in support of a public pier donated at completion of project by Palacios Marine Agricultural Research (PMAR) to the City of Palacios. *Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager. Raleigh explained the resolution to Council. Taylor Hunt, with the Ed Rachal Foundation, answered questions from Council. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-R-28. Councilmember Woolf seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Glenn thanked Mr. Hunt.*
6. **Resolution No. 2023-R-27 Pilot's Lounge** Discuss and approve a resolution of the City of Palacios in support of the donation of a new pilot's lounge at the Palacios Airport by the Ed Rachal Foundation. *Cynthia Raleigh, City Manager. Councilmember Glenn made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-R-27. Councilmember Hink seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*
7. **Parks Master Plan, Parks Maintenance Plan, Resolution No. 2023-R-30 Texas Parks and Wildlife Co-Op Grant** Discuss and approve the City of Palacios Park Master Plan, City of Palacios Park Maintenance Plan, and Resolution No. 2023-R-30; a resolution of the City of Palacios to apply for Texas Parks and Wildlife Co-Op Grant. *Grant Manager, Tammy McDonald. Councilmember Woolf voiced his concerns regarding the absence of the golf course on the plan. McDonald notified Council the grant would help fund the "Cops and Bobbers" program for the Palacios Police Department. Councilmember Hink made a motion to approve the Parks Master Plan, Parks Maintenance Plan, and Resolution No. 2023-R-30 Texas Parks and Wildlife Co-Op Grant. Councilmember Glenn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*


ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned by Mayor Gardner at 7:59 PM.



Jim Gardner, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Aleigha Galvan, CITY SECRETARY

