



MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1867th REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS HELD IN CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, DEER PARK, TEXAS ON JANUARY 07, 2025 AT 7:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON	MAYOR
SHERRY GARRISON	COUNCILWOMAN
TJ HAIGHT	COUNCILMAN
TOMMY GINN	COUNCILMAN
JUSTIN LEAGUE	COUNCILMAN
RON MARTIN	COUNCILMAN

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES	CITY MANAGER
SARA COSTLOW	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
JIM FOX	CITY ATTORNEY
ANGELA SMITH	CITY SECRETARY

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION – The invocation was given by former Councilman Patterson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilman League led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE –

Gay Hart, 1st Street, Deer Park, spoke of her interpretation on the “last days”.

Awnhel Kortes, 1st Street, Deer Park, spoke of his interpretation on the “integrity of identity”.

1. AWARDING REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR DOW PARK DRAINAGE PIPE REHABILITATION AND PARKING IMPROVEMENTS – Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Haight on awarding the request for qualifications (RFQ) for professional design services for Dow Park Drainage Pipe Rehabilitation and Parking Improvements to MHS Planning and Designs.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

CONSENT CALENDAR – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to approve the consent calendar as follows:

2. Approval of workshop meeting minutes for December 17, 2024.
3. Approval of regular meeting minutes for December 17, 2024.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

4. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL DEPARTMENT – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4585, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.
(additional \$2,000 Mayor and Council)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

5. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4586, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED. (additional \$42,000 Parks & Rec Admin.)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

6. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Ordinance No. 4587, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED. (additional \$2,200 Human Resources)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

7. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FIRE MARSHAL DEPARTMENT – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt Ordinance No. 4588, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.
(additional \$2,000 Fire Marshal)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

8. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGET – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Haight to adopt Ordinance No. 4589, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.
(additional \$37,000 Debt Service Fund)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

9. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 WATER SEWER FUND BUDGET FOR THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DEPARTMENT – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Garrison to adopt Ordinance No. 4590, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUMS SET UP THEREIN TO THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES THEREIN NAMED.
(additional \$1,000 Water Sewer Employee benefit)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

10. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE UPDATED 2025-2026 SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION SCALES – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Ordinance No. 4591, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDED RECLASSIFICATION SCALE AND PAY RANGE CHART FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK; AND PROVIDING A PAY RANGE CHART FOR UNCLASSIFIED SERVICE EMPLOYEES. (Athletics Coordinator)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

11. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE FIRE CONTROL, PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK DUE TO RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, a recess was called to confirm name of the new member.

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING _____ AS A BOARD MEMBER TO FOR THE FIRE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS DUE TO RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.

RECESS/RECONVENE – Mayor Mouton recessed the regular meeting at 7:45 p.m. and reconvened at 7:46 p.m.

Councilman Martin provided the name to City Attorney Jim Fox to add to the ordinance.

A proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Garrison to adopt Ordinance No. 4592, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING WAYLON GOSSETT AS A BOARD MEMBER TO FOR THE FIRE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS DUE TO RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

12. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO JOIN TEXAS COALITION FOR AFFORDABLE POWER (TCAP) – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Haight and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Resolution No. 25-01, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK APPROVING THE CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION AND BYLAWS OF TEXAS COALITION FOR AFFORDABLE POWER (“TCAP”), A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION CORPORATION; ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP IN SAID CORPORATION; APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT; AND COMMITTING TO BUDGET FOR ENERGY PURCHASES AND TO HONOR THE CITY’S COMMITMENTS TO PURCHASE POWER FOR ITS ELECTRICAL NEEDS THROUGH TCAP AND ADOPTING TCAP’S GEXA ENERGY’S COMMERCIAL ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR POWER TO BE PROVIDED ON AND AFTER **FIRST DAY AFTER CONTRACT EXPIRES IN 2026.**

Councilman Martin asked what other cities have membership in the Houston region?

Ms. Somereve responded, “Tomball, Sugar Land, La Marque, Lake Jackson, Clute, Kemah, Dickinson, Spring Valley Village and Brookside Village”.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION; AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENTAL THERETO – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt Resolution No. 25-02, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION; APPROVING THE PREPARATION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENTAL THERETO.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

14. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF APX NEXT XN PORTABLE RADIOS FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTION ON HGAC CONTRACT #RA05-21 – Motion was made by Councilman Haight and seconded by Councilman Ginn on authorizing the purchase of APX Next XN portable radios from Motorola Solution on HGAC Contract #RA05-21.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

15. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) MOBILE (VEHICLE) RADIOS FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS ON HGAC CONTRACT #RA05-21(YEAR 1 OF 5 YEAR PLAN) – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League on authorizing the purchase of five (5) mobile (vehicle) radios from Motorola Solutions on HGAC Contract #RA05-21(Year 1 of 5 Year Plan).

Motion carried 6 to 0.

16. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION SERVICES FOR THE BATTLEGROUND GOLF COURSE DRIVING RANGE ROOF FROM GENEROCITY SERVICES, INC. VIA CHOICE PARTNERS CONTRACT #23/016MR-17 – Motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman League on authorization to purchase and installation services for the Battleground Golf Course Driving Range Roof from Generocity Services, Inc. via Choice Partners contract #23/016MR-17.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Jerry Mouton, Jr.
Mayor