

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1874th 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 APRIL 15, 2025 AT 7:31 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON MAYOR
SHERRY GARRISON COUNCIL WOMAN
TOMMY GINN COUNCIL MAN
JUSTIN LEAGUE COUNCIL MAN
GEORGETTE FORD COUNCIL WOMAN

## OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES
SARA ROBINSON
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
SIM FOX
CITY ATTORNEY
CITY SECRETARY

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

INVOCATION – The invocation was given by Councilwoman Ford.

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

## COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE -

Carroll Cass, spoke on the request to City Council on restoring public recognition of the Texas Declaration of Independence and also displaying a Texas State Flag along Center Street.

Moses Alvarado, 506 Strey Ct., Deer Park, spoke on his disapproval of vape shops within the city of Deer Park.

1. PRESENTATION OF ART PARK PLAYERS SISTER ACT PRODUCTION – Parks and Recreation Director Kenny Walsh spoke of the feel-good musical comedy smash "Sister Act" based on the hit 1992 film. The production will show on April 25-27, May 2-4 and 9-10, 2025 located at the Theatre/Courts Building, 1302 Center Street in Deer Park. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8pm and Sunday performances are at 2pm.

2. PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK, RECOGNIZED APRIL 13TH THROUGH APRIL 19TH OF 2025 – Deer Park Police Communications Supervisor Kelly Bass recognized the importance of the efforts from the dispatchers that work hard behind the scenes to keep their communities and responders safe.

Mayor Mouton recognized and proclaimed April 13-19, 2025 as National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week.

3. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF A PRE-QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LIST</u> – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League on the approval of a Pre-Qualified Professional Services List.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

4. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO NEGOTIATE FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND FEASIBILITY OF RENOVATIONS TO THE EXISTING THEATER BUILDING AND FIRE STATION NO. 1 TO A BLACKBOX THEATER — Motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilwoman Ford on authorizing City Staff to negotiate for architectural services for the preliminary design and feasibility of Renovations to the Existing Theater Building and Fire Station No. 1 to a Blackbox Theater.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

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

- 5. Approval of workshop meeting minutes for April 1, 2025.
- 6. Approval of regular meeting minutes for April 1, 2025.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

7. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON ADOPTION OF THE DEER PARK COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN FOR PARK, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE</u>—Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilwoman Ford on the adoption of the Deer Park Comprehensive Master Plan for Park, Recreation, and Open Space.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

8. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON RATIFYING THE AGREEMENT WITH TERRACON CONSULTANTS FOR THE NEW JIMMY BURKE ACTIVITY CENTER</u> — Motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Ginn on ratifying the agreement with Terracon Consultants for the new Jimmy Burke Activity Center.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

9. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER FOR THE CLARIFIER REPAIR AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT</u>— Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Garrison on approving a change order for the Clarifier Repair at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

10. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO SEEK AND ACCEPT A FISCAL YEAR 2026 STEP COMPREHENSIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT GRANT – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Resolution No. 25-09, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A GRANT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND THE STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-SIX CENTS (\$70,853.76) TO CONDUCT A S.T.E.P. PROGRAM DIRECTED AT COMPREHENSIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

11. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO SEEK AND ACCEPT A FISCAL YEAR 2026 STEP COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE (CMV) TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT GRANT – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Resolution No. 25-10, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A GRANT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AND THE STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SIXTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$21,448.68) TO CONDUCT A S.T.E.P. PROGRAM DIRECTED AT COMMERCIAL VEHICLE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

12. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF A FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) COMMITTING TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED COST SHARE IF AWARDED – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Resolution No. 25-11, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND COMMITTING TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED LOCAL COST SHARE IF AWARDED.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

13. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE UPDATED FY 2024-2025 SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION SCALES</u> – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt Ordinance No. 4610, 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. (HR title classification)

Motion carried 5 to 0.

14. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A 2025
CHEVROLET 2500 CREW CAB FROM COUNTRY CHEVROLET THROUGH TIPS
USA CONTRACT # 210907 – Motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by
Councilman Ginn on authorization to purchase a 2025 Chevrolet 2500 Crew Cab from
Country Chevrolet through TIPS USA Contract # 210907.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

<u>ADJOURN</u> – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.	
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC	Jerry Mouton, Jr.
City Secretary	Mayor