

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1871st 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 MARCH 04, 2025 AT 7:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON SHERRY GARRISON TJ HAIGHT TOMMY GINN RON MARTIN GEORGETTE FORD MAYOR COUNCILWOMAN COUNCILMAN COUNCILMAN COUNCILMAN COUNCILWOMAN

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES SARA ROBINSON JIM FOX SONIA ACOSTA CITY MANAGER ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER CITY ATTORNEY DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY

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

INVOCATION – The invocation was given by Councilwoman Ford.

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

<u>COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE</u> – No comments received.

 <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AWARDING BID FOR THE 2024-2025</u> <u>SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT</u> – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Haight on awarding bid for the 2024-2025 Sidewalk Improvement Project to HOG Construction Services for a base bid of \$260,313.88.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

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

- 2. Approval of workshop meeting minutes for February 18, 2025.
- 3. Approval of regular meeting minutes for February 18, 2025.

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- 4. Approval of tax refund to R. T. Willis in the amount of \$1,396.11 due to an overpayment.
- 5. Approval of tax refund to R. T. Willis in the amount of \$1,098.94 due to an overpayment.
- 6. Approval of tax refund to Dovenmuehle Mortgage in the amount of \$504.41 due to an overpayment.
- 7. Acceptance of the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2024.
- 8. Acceptance of the Quarterly Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 First Quarter Ended December 31, 2024.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

9. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON RENEWING THE CLINICAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH COLLEGE OF THE MAINLAND FOR STUDENT EDUCATION PURPOSES</u> – Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Martin on renewing the Clinical Affiliation Agreement with College of the Mainland for student education purposes.

Motion passed 6 to 0.

10. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT WITH COMEX</u> <u>CORPORATION FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-AT-RISK SERVICES IN</u> <u>CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW MUNICIPAL COURT</u> <u>BUILDING</u> – Motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Martin on approval of an agreement with Comex Corporation for Construction Manager-at-Risk services in connection with the construction of the New Municipal Court Building.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

11. 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 Martin and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt Resolution No. 25-05, 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 6 to 0.

12. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE APRIL</u> 19, 2025, EFFECTIVE DATE OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP <u>REQUESTED RATE CHANGE FOR THE MAXIMUM SUSPENSION TIME</u> <u>ALLOWED</u> – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Haight to adopt Resolution No. 25-06, captioned as follows:

> A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS SUSPENDING THE APRIL 19, 2025 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE PROPOSAL BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS – HOUSTON, TEXAS COAST, SOUTH TEXAS, AND BEAUMONT/EAST TEXAS GEOGRAPHIC RATE AREAS, TO IMPLEMENT INTERIM GRIP RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR GAS UTILITY INVESTMENT IN 2024 AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

13. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE</u> <u>ISSUANCE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, CERTIFICATES OF</u> <u>OBLIGATION, SERIES 2025; LEVYING A TAX AND PROVIDING FOR THE</u> <u>SECURITY AND PAYMENT THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE AWARD AND SALE</u> <u>OF SAID BONDS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO</u> – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4604, captioned as follows:

> AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2025; LEVYING A TAX AND PROVIDING FOR THE SECURITY AND PAYMENT THEREOF; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

14. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON ACCEPTANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 3, 2025 GENERAL CITY ELECTION BE ELECTED TO OFFICE; AND CANCELLING THE GENERAL ELECTION; AND ALLOWING FOR CONTINUATION OF ELECTION ITEMS PERTAINING TO RUNNING AN ELECTION BE RETAINED FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR FIRE & CRIME DISTRICTS BEING HELD ON MAY 3, 2025 – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Ordinance No. 4605, captioned as follows:

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, DECLARING THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL POSITIONS 1, 2, AND 3 ELECTED; PROVIDING THAT THE MAY 3, 2025, GENERAL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD; AND PROVIDING THAT THE OTHER ELECTION ITEMS IN CITY ORDINANCE 4599 AS LISTED IN SECTION THREE OF THIS ORDINANCE REMAIN VALID DUE TO JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH FIRE & CRIME DISTRICTS TO HOLD THEIR SPECIAL ELECTION FOR SALES TAX RENEWALS ON MAY 3, 2025.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

15. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF FENCE</u> <u>REPLACEMENT AT EAST MEADOWS PARK FROM FOSTER FENCE VIA BUY</u> <u>BOARD CONTRACT # 757-24</u> – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Haight on the purchase of fence replacement at East Meadows Park from Foster Fence via Buy Board contract # 757-24.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

16. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON PURCHASING TRAFFIC SIGNAL</u> <u>DETECTION CAMERAS FOR THREE INTERSECTIONS VIA HGAC CONTRACT #</u> <u>PE-05-21</u> – Motion was made by Councilman Haight and seconded by Councilman Martin on purchasing the traffic signal detection cameras for three intersections via HGAC contract # PE-05-21.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

17. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON PURCHASING THE SERVICES FROM</u> <u>FUQUAY INC. TO REPAIR TEN SANITARY SEWER MANHOLES VIA BUYBOARD</u> <u>CONTRACT # 731-24</u> – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman Haight on purchasing the services from Fuquay Inc. to repair ten sanitary sewer manholes via Buyboard contract # 731-24.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

ATTEST: ingela Smith, TRMC, CMC Secretary



APPROVED:

Tommy Ginn, Mayor Pro Tom