

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1882nd 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 AUGUST 19, 2025 AT 7:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES
SARA COSTLOW
ASST. CITY MANAGER
ASST. CITY MANAGER
CITY ATTORNEY
ANGELA SMITH
CITY SECRETARY

<u>SEC 551.127 VIDEO CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE</u> – Councilman Ron Martin attended virtually.

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

<u>INVOCATION</u> – The invocation was given by Councilwoman Ford.

 $\frac{\text{PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE}}{\text{States Flag and the Texas Flag}} - \text{Councilman Ginn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States}$

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE -

Eric Sanchez, 619 Spring Drive, spoke of his prior comment to Council on his concern of an in-custody death at a Deer Park jail cell in 1977. Mr. Sanchez gave details of the incident and stated that he is wanting official records of the 1977 police report.

1. <u>RECOGNITION OF THE 6U DEER PARK DYNASTY ALL STAR SOFTBALL TEAM</u> – Mayor Mouton recognized the players who played seven (7) straight tournaments and won 1st place after each one. Their season record was an incredible 43-0. Mayor Mouton congratulated the team and coaches on their successful season. Coaches- Ashley Fleming, Head Coach, Taylor Fenner, Assistant Coach, Curtis Wright, Assistant Coach, Caesar Juarez,

Assistant Coach and Kalynn Willis, Assistant Coach.

6U Deer Park Dynasty Softball Roster included players: Alannah Woods, Madyson Juarez, Daleyza Salinas, Alina Fleming, Laelynn Fenner, Claire Willis, Camri Bell, Avery Burton, Addilynn Wright, Stella Kelley and Reese Boone.

2. PRESENTATION FROM THE PASADENA LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO – Pasadena Livestock Show & Rodeo Executive Director Sherry Free highlighted historical facts and traditions of the Pasadena Livestock Show and Rodeo that has been in existence since 1949. Within that time, the monetary donations that the Pasadena Livestock Show & Rodeo have received were utilized to offer many scholarships to students in local communities. Ms. Free provided information of the upcoming 2025 BBQ cookoff that begins on Sept. 12-13, 2025 and the 2025 Pasadena Rodeo that begins on Sept. 19-27, 2025 and also provided honorary badges to City Council members.

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

- 3. Approval of the workshop and regular meeting minutes for August 5, 2025.
- 4. Acceptance of the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2025.
- 5. Acceptance of the Quarterly Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Third Quarter Ended June 30, 2025.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

6. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON ACCEPTING COMPLETION OF THE WATERLINE REHABILITATION ON ACADEMY LANE BY SKE CONSTRUCTION, LLC VIA BUYBOARD CONTRACT #660-21 — Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn on accepting completion of the Waterline Rehabilitation on Academy Lane by SKE Construction, LLC via BuyBoard contract #660-21.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

7. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON SUBMITTAL OF THE 2025 TAX ROLL AND THE CALCULATION OF THE NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE AND THE VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE — Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilwoman Ford on submittal of the 2025 Tax Roll and the calculation of the No-New Revenue Tax Rate and the Voter-Approval Tax Rate.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

8. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL BY PROPOSING TO ADOPT A TAX RATE OF \$0.720000 PER \$100 VALUATION AT A FUTURE MEETING — Motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Ginn to increase total tax revenues

from properties on the tax roll by proposing to adopt a tax rate of \$0.720000 per \$100 valuation at a future meeting.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with a record vote:

Mayor Mouton "Aye"
Councilwoman Garrison "Aye"
Councilman Haight "Aye"
Councilman Ginn "Aye"
Councilman League "Aye"
Councilman Martin "Aye"
Councilwoman Ford "Aye"

9. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON APPROVING A RESOLUTION APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND AUTHORITY TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Resolution No. 25-13, captioned as follows:

RESOLUTION APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND AUTHORITY TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

10. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE ANNUAL REVIEW AND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY'S INVESTMENT POLICY</u> – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Ordinance No. 4645, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DEER PARK CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REPLACING CHAPTER 2 (ADMINISTRATION), ARTICLE VII (FINANCE), ALL OF DIVISION 3 (INVESTMENT POLICY).

Motion carried 7 to 0.

11. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2025 TAX RATE</u> – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Ordinance No. 4646, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK SETTING THE DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026. September 16, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

12. <u>CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING FOUR MEMBERS TO THE DEER PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION</u> – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Haight to adopt Ordinance No. 4647, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING FOUR (4) BOARD MEMBERS OF THE DEER PARK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS. F. DeFrancis, T. Regan, E. Delgado and B. Patterson

Motion carried 7 to 0.

<u>ADJOURN</u> – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.	
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC	Jerry Mouton, Jr.
City Secretary	Mayor