



## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1858th 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 20, 2024 AT 7:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

### 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 Councilwoman Ford.

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

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE – No comments received.

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

1. Approval of workshop meeting minutes for August 06, 2024.
2. Approval of regular meeting minutes for August 06, 2024.
3. Authorization to seek bids for the sale of surplus water meters.
4. Acceptance of the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2024.
5. Acceptance of the Quarterly Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Third Quarter Ended June 30, 2024.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

6. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT WITH GRANITE GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS FOR PHONE LINES PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED BY AT&T COPPER SERVICE – Motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Ford on an agreement with Granite Government Solutions for phone lines previously provided by AT&T copper service.

Motion passed 6 to 0.

7. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZING NOBLE TEXAS BUILDERS TO PERFORM THE REHABILITATION OF THE WATER PLANT LABORATORY USING BUYBOARD CONTRACT 728-24 – Motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Martin on authorizing Noble Texas Builders to perform the rehabilitation of the Water Plant Laboratory using BuyBoard Contract 728-24.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

8. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH HARRIS COUNTY TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL \$100,000 FROM THE CITY OF DEER PARK FOR A JOINT HIKE AND BIKE TRAIL PROJECT – Motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Ginn on authorization to amend the interlocal agreement with Harris County to add an additional \$100,000 from the City of Deer Park for a joint Hike and Bike Trail Project.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

9. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON SUBMITTAL OF THE 2024 TAX ROLL AND THE CALCULATION OF THE NO-NEW REVENUE TAX RATE AND THE VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE – Motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman League on submittal of the 2024 Tax Roll and the calculation of the No-New Revenue Tax Rate and the Voter-Approval Tax Rate.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

10. 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 Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to increase total tax revenue for the 2024 tax year by proposing to adopt a tax rate of \$0.720000 per \$100 valuation at a future meeting.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with a record vote:

Mayor Mouton           “Aye”  
Councilwoman Garrison “Aye”  
Councilman Ginn       “Aye”

Councilman League     “Aye”  
Councilman Martin     “Aye”  
Councilwoman Ford     “Aye”

11. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE ANNUAL REVIEW AND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY'S INVESTMENT POLICY – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4546, captioned as follows:

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

Motion carried 6 to 0.

12. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024 TAX RATE – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Ordinance No. 4547, 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, 2025. (September 17, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THREE MEMBERS OF THE CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4548, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THREE (3) BOARD MEMBERS OF THE CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS. (Bob Hotten, Victor White, Donald Zuckero)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

14. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THREE MEMBERS OF THE FIRE CONTROL, PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman League and seconded by Councilwoman Ford to adopt Ordinance No. 4549, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING THREE (3) BOARD MEMBERS OF THE FIRE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE BOARD DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS. (Kevin Machemehl, Scott Combs, Allen Westmoreland)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

15. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING ONE ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT TO COMPLETE UNEXPIRED TERM – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance No. 4550, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING ONE (1) ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS; AND SPECIFYING THEIR TERMS. (Alisha Melton)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

16. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING TWO NEW ASSOCIATE JUDGES – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilwoman Garrison to adopt Ordinance No. 4551, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING TWO ASSOCIATE JUDGES OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK. (Holly Williamson, Robert Barfield)

Motion carried 6 to 0.

17. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE SHADE STRUCTURES FOR DOW PARK, MCHENRY, AND MONROE PARKS FROM USA SHADE & FABRIC STRUCTURES, LLC VIA BUYBOARD CONTRACT #679-22 – Motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman Martin on authorization to purchase shade structures for Dow Park, McHenry, and Monroe parks from USA Shade & Fabric Structures, LLC via Buyboard Contract #679-22.

Motion carried 6 to 0.

ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC

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Jerry Mouton, Jr.

City Secretary

Mayor