

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

THE 1865th 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 DECEMBER 03, 2024 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
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 – Councilman Haight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE – No comments received.

1. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON REAFFIRMING TAX ABATEMENT ORDINANCE 4381 FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS – The public hearing was opened at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Mouton with the City Secretary reading the Notice of Public Hearing. (Exhibit A)

Mayor Mouton made three calls for those desiring to speak in favor of the request and for those desiring to speak against the request. No one spoke.

Mayor Mouton closed the hearing at 7:33 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR – 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 November 19, 2024.
3. Approval of regular meeting minutes for November 19, 2024.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

4. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – Motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman Ginn on the appointments to the Legislative Affairs Committee. (Jerry Mouton, Chair, Councilwoman G. Ford & Councilman R. Martin)

Motion carried 7 to 0.

5. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION JOINING WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS AS A PARTY IN THE TEXAS OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION FORMS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE – After a proposed resolution was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt Resolution No. 24-24, captioned as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS (“CITY”) JOINING WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE AS A PARTY IN THE TEXAS OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION FORMS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

6. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON APPROVING THE ORDINANCE ON REAFFIRMING THE TAX ABATEMENT ORDINANCE 4381 – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Ginn and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Ordinance No. 4581, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, REAFFIRMING THE REINVESTMENT ZONES AND TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE 4381 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK FOR ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

7. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE UPDATED 2024-2025 SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION SCALES – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Ford and seconded by Councilman League to adopt Ordinance No. 4582, captioned as follows:

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

Motion carried 7 to 0.

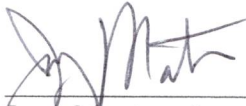
ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

ATTEST:



Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

APPROVED:




Jerry Mouton, Jr.
Mayor



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Deer Park, Texas, will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall, 710 East San Augustine Street, at 7:30 p.m. on December 3, 2024 at which time and place they will hear all persons desiring to be heard on or in connection with any matter or question involving the reaffirming and amending of the Tax Abatement guidelines and criteria passed by Ordinance 4381 of the City of Deer Park.



Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

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