

**YOLANDA FORD**  
Mayor

**VASHAUNDRA EDWARDS**  
Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

**CHRIS PRESTON**  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Councilmember at Large Position No. 2



**REGINALD PEARSON**  
Councilmember District A  
**JEFFREY L. BONEY**  
Councilmember District B  
**ANTHONY G. MAROULIS**  
Councilmember District C  
**FLOYD EMERY**  
Councilmember District D

## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in special session on **Monday, November 18, 2019**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **5:30 p.m.** to consider the following:

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m.

Those also present: Councilmembers Edwards, Pearson, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Attorney Iyamu, City Secretary Jackson, Assistant City Manager Atkinson, Assistant City Manager Martel, Fire Chief Campbell, Director of Human Resources Russell, Director of Development Services Spriggs, Director of Public Works Kumar, Director of Communications Walker, Director of Financial Services Portis, Budget and Financial Reporting Manager Alexander, Media Specialist III Sanders, and Media Specialist III Kalimkoottil. Mayor Pro Tem Preston arrived at 5:46 p.m. Also present: Susan Anderson, Valley View Consulting; Eddie Miranda and Kurt Luhrsen, METRO; and, Tony Thrasher, Willdan Financial.

### 2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Consider an order canvassing the returns of the general election held in the City of Missouri City, Texas, on November 5, 2019, for the purpose of electing a Councilmember in District A, a Councilmember in District B, a Councilmember in District C, and a Councilmember in District D; declaring the election of a Councilmember in District A, a Councilmember in District B, a Councilmember in District C, and a Councilmember in District D; declaring the election of a Councilmember in District A, a Councilmember in District B, a Councilmember in District C, and a Councilmember in District D; and consider the order on the first and final reading.

Councilmember Pearson moved to approve the order. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (b) Consider accepting the quarterly investment report for the quarter ending on September 30, 2019.

Susan Anderson, Valley View Consulting, presented the quarterly investment report for the quarter ending on September 30, 2019.

- (c) Presentation by METRO representatives on key issues.

Eddie Miranda, Vice President of Government Affairs with METRO, presented an update on MetroNext. Councilmember Maroulis inquired about services from the Highway 6 area to the Medical Center. Miranda stated they could meet with residents to hear their ideas on suggestions and what they think could work. City Manager Snipes asked if there was funding for a light rail study. Miranda stated there was additional funding to study Hwy-90A as a possible light rail and/or a commuter rail. Councilmember Emery asked about the opportunity to see something come through with the Hwy. 90 corridor. Miranda noted there have been a lot of starts and stops but they would be happy to regroup and work together with all the communities

involved. Mayor Ford inquired about the ability to bring the West Houston Corridor Bus Rapid Transit Line (BRT) on Hwy. 90. Miranda noted the BRT was on the MetroNext plan. Kurt Luhrsen, Vice President of Planning, spoke on local services operating in the City this past year that included the Community Connector. Councilmember Boney requested to understand how the flex service would benefit the residents of Missouri City if METRO were to remove the service. Luhrsen stated information was placed in several newspapers and other community organizations. Councilmember Maroulis asked if they expected ridership to increase. Luhrsen stated he did. Councilmember Boney believes the community should have the opportunity to respond to discontinuing services before final decisions were made. Luhrsen explained the benefit of having one service. Councilmember Emery asked for an analysis to see how much the City invested and what services they have received for that.

Councilmember Edwards stepped away at 6:30 p.m. and returned at 6:33 p.m.

- (d) Presentation of the user fee study and cost recovery policy.

Tony Thrasher, Willdan Financial consultant, presented on the user fee study and cost recovery policy.

Mayor Ford stepped away at 6:37 p.m. and returned at 6:38 p.m.

Director of Financial Services Portis also presented on the cost recovery policy and levels. Portis stated the next steps included a meeting with the consultants after receiving City Council's feedback regarding the development of the fees; meet with the stakeholders to present recommendations; and, return to Council with a proposed fee ordinance.

City Council recessed the special City Council meeting at 6:52 p.m. and reconvened at 8:52 p.m.

- (e) Discuss and consider board, committee, and commission member appointments.

City Secretary Jackson presented a follow-up to the board, committee, and commission member appointments and noted members whose term would expire and agreed to continue serving, if reappointed by Council.

City Council requested to interview the following: TIRZ Board No. 3 applicant Reggie Abraham and all new candidates who were not interviewed by City Council for both the Parks Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals. Councilmember Edwards requested a deadline for City Council to submit interview questions. City Council agreed interview questions be submitted by or before December 2 to City Secretary Jackson for review. City Secretary Jackson would also provide Council with dates to consider interviews between December 3 and December 11.

- (f) Review of the fund balance policy.

Director Portis presented on the fund balance policy.

### 3. **ADJOURN**

The special City Council meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

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Maria Jackson, City Secretary