

YOLANDA FORD
Mayor

VASHAUNDRA EDWARDS
Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

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



CHERYL STERLING
Councilmember District A
JEFFREY L. BONEY
Councilmember District B
ANTHONY G. MAROULIS
Councilmember District C
FLOYD EMERY
Councilmember District D

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in regular session on **Monday, November 2, 2020**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **7:00 p.m.** to consider the following:

Due to the COVID 19 Disaster and the Center for Disease Control's recommendation regarding social distancing measures, the Mayor, City Council, City Staff members, and members of the public were not physically present during this meeting. The meeting was made possible through the cloud-based video conferencing platform Zoom.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Those also present: Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmembers Edwards, Sterling, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Jones, City Attorney Iyamu, and City Secretary Jackson.

2. The **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Fire Chief Eugene Campbell.

There were no **PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS, PUBLIC COMMENTS** or **STAFF REPORTS**.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- (a) Consider approving the minutes of the special and regular City Council meetings of October 19, 2020.
- (b) Consider an ordinance annexing Sienna Municipal Utility District Numbers 1, 5, 6, and 7 for the limited purpose of providing fire protection services; and consider the ordinance on the second and final reading.
- (c) Consider accepting the quarterly investment report for the quarter ending on September 30, 2020.
- (d) Consider authorizing the Fire Station 6 Fire Department Administration Facility construction contract.
- (e) Consider authorizing the acceptance of additional Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds from Fort Bend County, the negotiation and execution of amendments to contracts with MPACT and Fort Bend County to implement such acceptance, and the allocation of additional funds to the City's rental, mortgage, and utility assistance program.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to approve the Consent Agenda pursuant to recommendations by City Staff. Councilmember Sterling seconded.

Councilmember Maroulis withdrew previous motion and moved to approve the Consent Agenda items 6a-6d pursuant to recommendations by City Staff. Councilmember Sterling seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery

Nays: None

Assistant City Manager Atkinson presented on the acceptance of additional Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds from Fort Bend County. He noted the funds would be increased by \$2 million dollars but would be restricted for the use rental, mortgage, and utility assistance program only.

Councilmember Boney inquired if MPACT had executed the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) for Fort Bend County and if it would be easily implemented. Atkinson stated they believe so and were working on the guidelines for the implementation of the program.

Councilmember Emery asked if the \$2 million additional dollars was as a result of surrounding cities not utilizing the funds. Atkinson stated that was correct.

Councilmember Edwards asked for the period of time the PPP would cover. Atkinson stated they recommended that the total program dollars would be capped at \$20,000 for any participant.

Emery asked if the funds had to be utilized by the end of the year. Atkinson stated that was correct but that deadline may be extended.

Councilmember Boney requested a list of businesses and residents who had taken advantage of the funding. Atkinson stated he would look into that as they may have to deal with privacy issues. City Manager Jones asked that a list of names be provided to City Council. Boney stated it would be helpful to know who was taking advantage of the funding.

Councilmember Emery asked if they were increasing from \$15,000 to \$20,000, would someone who had already applied receive the additional funding. Atkinson stated that if they were going to utilize the funding for existing mortgage they would be able to request it with the document on file. If it pertained to PPP, they would have fill out an additional application.

Boney asked if someone had already applied for small rental assistance, would the applicant be able to apply for additional funds. Atkinson stated the discussion was to include PPP as part of the small business portion of the funding and that would be a total of \$20,000.

Councilmember Boney moved to approve the Consent Agenda item 6e pursuant to recommendations by City Staff. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery

Nays: None

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTIONS

(a) Zoning Public Hearings and Ordinances

- (1) Public hearing to receive comments for or against a request to amend PD, Planned Development District No. 23, Ordinance O-08-28, to allow for the location of a pawn shop; regulating and restricting the development and use of property within such PD Planned Development District; providing for an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan; providing a penalty; and consider the related ordinance on the first of two readings. The subject site is located at the southwest intersection of Oilfield Road and State Highway 6. *(Proposed presenter: Planning Manager Jennifer Thomas Gomez)*

Planning Manager Thomas Gomez presented on the request to amend the uses for PD District 23 in order to allow for a pawnshop. Gomez stated staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission forward a positive recommendation.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to open the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

Councilmember Maroulis asked how the property would be maintained. Gomez stated maintenance would be the responsibility of the property owners.

Councilmember Emery asked if dates were being looked at in order to start constructing a building in the area. Bill Petticrew, applicant, stated the plan was to start in the first quarter in the first year.

Councilmember Maroulis asked if the pawnshop would put items out on their patio. Petticrew stated they would not.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to close the public hearing at 7:29 p.m. Councilmember Boney seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

Councilmember Maroulis moved to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

- (2) Public hearing to receive comments for or against a request for a specific use permit authorizing the use of an approximate 34.66-acre tract of land zoned CF community facilities, in part, and R-2 single family residential district, in part to allow for the location of an aboveground pump station for Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 46; and consider a related ordinance on the first of two readings. The subject site is a drainage facility owned and maintained by Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 46 at the southeast intersection of Oilfield Road and Thompson Ferry Road and extending south of the Colony Lakes residential subdivision to State Highway 6, north of the Elkins High School campus and the Riverpointe Church (RPC) Missouri City campus. *(Proposed presenter: Planning Manager Jennifer Thomas Gomez)*

Planning Manager Thomas Gomez presented on the request of a specific use permit for Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 46 drainage facility. She stated engineers had submitted construction plans for the development of a storm water pump station at this location. Gomez added that the pump station site

was to include a pump system, control building, backup generator and related equipment in an enclosed area within the drainage facility. She noted staff recommended the following:

- Approve the SUP and apply standards for development utilities;
- Buffer yard requirement;
- Fencing: Require wood fence consistent with community fencing; and,
- Lighting: Apply CF, community facilities district standards.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to open the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Councilmember Boney seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

Mayor Ford asked if there was an option other than temporary pumps. Kelly stated those were there options and pumping would be the only way to get water out of the district.

Councilmember Emery asked what equipment would be brought through Bethany Bay Drive. Kelly stated it would be used during emergencies and it would be items such as sand bags and construction equipment.

Councilmember Maroulis asked if the access road would be gated off. Kelly stated it would be gated at the generator pump station.

Councilmember Boney moved to close the public hearing at 7:53 p.m. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

Councilmember Maroulis moved to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ayes: Mayor Ford, Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmember Edwards, Councilmember Sterling, Councilmember Boney, Councilmember Maroulis and Councilmember Emery
Nays: None

There were no **Public Hearings and related actions, APPOINTMENTS, AUTHORIZATIONS, ORDINANCES, or RESOLUTIONS** on this agenda.

12. CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Preston reminded everyone about Election Day.

Councilmember Boney encouraged residents to exercise their right to vote; and, he thanked the citizens for allowing them to serve.

Councilmember Emery encouraged residents to exercise their right to vote.

Mayor Ford thanked everyone who came out to vote; and, encouraged everyone who has not voted to vote. Councilmember Maroulis congratulated Shashi Kumar and Kevin Cummings for all the work done on Knights Road; and, he thanked the Public Works Department for all that they do.

13. ADJOURN

The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the 16th day of November 2020.

Maria Jackson, City Secretary