

**City Of Vidor  
Vidor City Council  
Regular Meeting  
August 25, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Misty Songe  
Councilmember Kelly Carder (joined the meeting during C-2 Agenda item)  
Councilmember Nicole McGowan  
Councilmember Michael Thompson  
Councilmember Jessica Barker  
Councilmember Gary Herrera  
Councilmember Jane Hill

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**Administrative Personnel:** Robbie Hood, City Manager; Chris Leavins, City Attorney; Katrina Jones, Finance Director; and, Ed Martin, Police Captain Operations

**A. OPENING, PRESENTATIONS, AND CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**A -1. Call to order and the establishment of a Quorum**

A quorum was present, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council began at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Songe presiding.

**A -2. Invocation and Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag**

Chris Leavins, City Attorney gave the Invocation and led the Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag.

**A -3. Citizen Comments**

No Citizen comments.

**B. COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA**

**B -1. Approval of Accounts Paid:**

<b>Paid Invoices:</b>	<b>General Fund - \$82,175.68</b>
	<b>Child Safety - \$233.00</b>
	<b>Emergency Management - \$876.88</b>
	<b>CDBG Fund - \$66,541.00</b>
	<b>Disaster Fund - \$10,791.31</b>
	<b>Proprietary Fund - \$8,994.08</b>

**B -2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – August 11, 2022**

**B -3. Ratification of the transfer of funds from Interest & Sinking 2013 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-Capital One Bank account to Interest & Sinking 2008/2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-TexPool account in the following amounts:**

August 08, 2022: \$ 2,333.90  
August 15, 2022: \$ 2,453.65

- B -4. Ratification of the payment of the monthly sales tax in the amount of \$6,358.74 for July out of General Account/Pooled Cash.**
- B -5. Ratification of the payment in the amount of \$355,400.00 for the City of Vidor, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 – Principal and Interest Payment – TexPool account.**
- B -6. Ratification of the payment in the amount of \$92,664.90 for the City of Vidor, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 – Principal and Interest Payment – Interest & Sinking 2008/2016.**

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson, to **APPROVE THE COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried

### **C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA**

- C -1. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution reappointing Lanny Brown to the Civil Service Commission for a three-year term**

Robbie Hood, City Manager briefly explained Lanny Brown's interest to continue his term.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Barker, to **approve the Resolution reappointing Lanny Brown to the Civil Service Commission**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

- C -2. Discussion and possible action regarding the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2022- 2023**

Councilmember Carder Ward 1 joined the meeting at C-2.

Katrina Jones, Finance Director explained after further review she proposes the tax rate be the voter approved rate instead of the rate staying the same as last Fiscal year. Ms. Jones referenced the handout in the agenda packet. Ms. Jones stated the voter approved tax rate will ensure we do not have to hold an election to change the rate.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Thompson, to **approve the Proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2022-2023**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

- C -3. Public Hearing – on the proposed fiscal year 2022-2023 budget for the City of Vidor**

Mayor Songe opened the public hearing at 7:03pm.

Katrina Jones, explained this is the second draft of the budget and stated there is a memo explaining all the changes in the council agenda packet. Ms. Jones referenced page 5 of the second draft of the budget.

A brief discussion ensued.

Ms. Jones explained there will be more changes as we work through the budget process to the final draft.

Mayor Songe asked if the public/citizens had any comments. There were no citizen/public comments.

Mayor Songe Closed the public hearing at 7:09pm

**C -4. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the use of ARPA funds for software and programming**

Katrina Jones, Finance Director explained the conversion for the new software and that the ARPA funds may be needed to assist in the cost of changing from Fund View to Incode 9. Ms. Jones gave council and the audience an overview of Fund View terminating our agreement with them as of October 31, 2022. The staff is in the process of manually transferring the data from Fund View to Incode 9 with the assistance of two consultants. Ms. Jones stated we would like next year to go from Incode 9 to Incode 10 which is the newest version of Incode. Ms. Jones explained Fund View will provide us our data in comma delimited csv and PDF formats for audit purposes.

A brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson, to **approve the Resolution using ARPA funds for software and programming**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

**C-5. Consideration of Adjournment**

A motion was made by Councilmember Thompson, seconded by Councilmember Carder, for **Consideration of Adjournment**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

*These minutes approved September 8, 2022.*

  
Misty Songe, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Betty Strong, City Secretary