

**City Of Vidor
Vidor City Council
Regular Meeting
August 10, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Misty Songe
Councilmember Mercedes Lee
Councilmember Michael Thompson
Councilmember Nicole McGowan
Councilmember Jessica Barker
Councilmember Kathryn Weldon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gary Herrera

Administrative Personnel: Robbie Hood, City Manager; Katrina Jones, Finance Director; Chris Leavins, City Attorney; Rod Carroll, Police Chief.

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.

A -3. Citizen Comments

Vicki Smith, 365 W. Tram stated she was thankful to the City Manager, Code Enforcement, City Secretary, City Attorney, Streets and Drainage and the Orange County Drainage District for all of their help over the past few months.

Anthony Foster, 110 Butler stated his interest in Ward 5 Council seat.

Joni Droddy 220, Wilson St. stated her interest in Ward 5 Council seat.

B. COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

B -1. Approval of Accounts Paid:

Paid Invoices:

General Fund - \$498,255.79
Child Safety - \$3,335.63
MCBSF - \$390.55
MC Technology Fund - \$96.36
CDBG - \$26,601.50
Disaster Fund - \$908,276.89
Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund - \$20,952.66
Juvenile Case Manager Fund – 449.58
Proprietary Fund - \$53,850.56

B -2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – July 27,2023

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:

July 11, 2023:	\$ 1,000.86
July 17, 2023:	\$ 559.69
July 21, 2023:	\$ 1,663.63
July 28, 2023	\$ 1,375.20

B -4. Ratification of the payment of the monthly sales tax in the amount of \$6,447.42 for July out of General Account/Pooled Cash.

B -5. Ratification of the final payment on the 2013 certificate of obligation bonds in the amount of \$93,832.35 out of Interest and Sinking

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan and seconded by Councilmember Thompson, to **Approve The Council Consent Agenda As Presented**. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

C-1. Consideration and possible action to accept the resignation of Gary Herrera as Council member of Ward 5.

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan and seconded by Councilmember Thompson to accept his resignation. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried

C -2. Discussion and possible action regarding filling Councilmember Ward 5 vacancy if resignation under C-1 is accepted by City Council.

Discussion ensued and applications will be taken to fill position. The requirements will be posted online and at City Hall.

C -3. Discussion and possible action to approve the final plat of Pirates Cove Estates, Phase 1, a Replat of Waco Estates.

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan and seconded by Councilmember Thompson to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -4. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance by the City of Vidor, Texas authorizing the settlement of the proposed fuel reconciliation of Entergy Texas, inc.; finding that the meeting complies with the open meetings act; making other findings and provisions related to the subject; and declaring an effective date.

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan and seconded by Councilmember Thompson to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -5. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of a Disaster Recovery Services Contract between the City and Ashbritt, Inc. with respect to debris recovery, remediation, and disposal.

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan and seconded by Councilmember Weldon to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of Interlocal Contract Relating to the Planning, Development, Operation and Provision of 9-1-1 Service and the Use of 9-1-1 Funds between the City and the Southeast Texas Regional Planning Commission

A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Barker to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -7. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution amending Resolution 1118 to provide a written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the City will return all funds to the Office of the Governor

No action taken as previously discussed in prior meeting.

C -8. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance Establishing Zoning Regulations and Dividing the City of Vidor into Districts in Accordance with a Comprehensive Plan, and Regulating the Use and Height of Buildings and Structures, the Size of Yards, Courts and Open Spaces, the Height, Bulk and Use of Buildings and Land for Trade, Industry, Residence and Other Purposes, the Density of Population, Adopting a Zoning Map Showing the Location and Boundaries of the Various Districts of Enforcement, Interpretation of Zoning Map, a Board of Adjustments, Prescribing its Duties and Operation, Zoning of New Territory Upon Extension of City Limits, Providing for Severability; Providing for Penalties; Providing for Publication and an Effective Date.

Robbie Hood, City Manager explained the need to create a five-member Board of Adjustment. A motion was made by Councilmember Thomas and seconded by Councilmember Weldon to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried. This item will be on the agenda for 8-24-23 for second reading.

C -9. Discussion of the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Katrina Jones, Finance Director discussed tax rate. Proposes 2% tax rate reduction. No action taken. Will be placed on next agenda for discussion and possible action on 8-24-23.

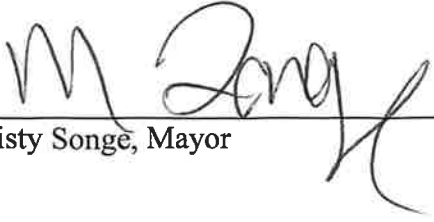
C -10. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution approving the appointment of a Reserve Officer to the Vidor Police Department Reserve Force.

A motion was made by councilmember McGowan and seconded by councilmember Barker to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0).

C-11. Consideration of Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Barker and seconded by Councilmember McGowan to accept. The Council voted (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried. The Meet was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

These minutes approved August 24, 2023.


Misty Songe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Katrina Jones, Finance Director