City Of Vidor Vidor City Council Regular Meeting May 12, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Misty Songe Councilmember Kelly Carder Councilmember Nicole McGowan Councilmember Jerry Aldridge Councilmember Jessica Barker Councilmember Gary Herrera Councilmember Jane Hill

Administrative Personnel: Robbie Hood, City Manager; Chris Leavins City Attorney; Betty Strong, City Secretary; Katrina Jones, Finance Director; and, 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

Rod Carroll, Police Chief 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:

Paid Invoices: General Fund - \$146,089.80

Child Safety - \$578.61 MCBSF - \$452.03

Emergency Management - \$1,268.06

CDBG Fund - \$340,895.38

Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund - \$2,620.00

Disaster Fund - \$26,362.30 Proprietary Fund - \$21,484.88

Employee Benefits Trust - \$73,476.25

B-2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – April 28, 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:

April 25, 2022: \$420.70

- B-4. Ratification of the payment of the monthly sales tax in the amount of \$6,444.22 for April out of General Account/Pooled Cash
- B-5. Ratification of the transfer of funds from CDBG-DR Infrastructure Fund to the CDBG Mitigation Fund in the amount of \$215,217.30 to pay Draw 1 on the City's CDBG-MIT grant project.
- B-6. Ratification of the transfer of funds from General Account/Pooled Cash to the CDBG Mitigation Fund in the amount of \$26,601.50 to pay the City's Match of Draw 1 on the City's CDBG-MIT Grant project.
- B-7 Ratification of the payment of the quarterly criminal court costs and fees in the amount of \$53,214.81 out of General Account/Pooled Cash

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to APPROVE THE COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried

C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

C-1. Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the use of approximately \$362,000 to purchase homes in the FMA 2019 acquisition Grant 1900012528.

Katrina Jones, Finance Director explained this grant and resolution were previously approved in February 2020. Ms. Jones explained the three (3) properties involved. She informed council that the owner located at 387 Roselawn has accepted the offer. Ms. Jones explained we will be reimbursed by FEMA in forty-five (45) Days if we move forward with the offers. Mayor Songe gave an overview of the use of the properties for a retention pond. Robbie Hood, City Manager, clarified what the properties will be utilized for and informed council this was part of the project Aleta Cappen (former Emergency Management Coordinator) was working on before her retirement. Gary Herrera, councilmember Ward 5, also gave an overview of the properties and explained the properties can no longer be built on.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **approve the Resolution.** The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C-2. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and/or Mayor's Designee as having signatory powers for the purpose of executing agreements and property settlement documents associated with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant through the Texas Water Development Board

Robbie Hood, City Manager, explained the resolution will allow the Mayor or Mayor's designee to sign any necessary documents related to the FMA Grant explained in C-1.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Barker, to **approve the Resolution.** The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C-3. Consideration and possible approval of an Ordinance finding certain buildings, dwellings and/or structures located at 210 Denver St., Vidor, Texas, to be public nuisances and ordering the demolition and/or repair of buildings, dwellings, or structures; providing for severability and providing for a penalty (second reading)

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Carder, to **approve the ORDINANCE**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -4. Consideration and possible approval of an Ordinance finding certain buildings, dwellings and/or structures located at 395 N. Dewitt, Vidor, Texas, to be public nuisances and ordering the demolition and/or repair of buildings, dwellings, or structures; providing for severability and providing for a penalty (second reading)

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Carder, to **approve the ORDINANCE**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C-5. Consideration and possible approval of an Ordinance finding certain buildings, dwellings and/or structures located at 1275 Marshall, Vidor, Texas, to be public nuisances and ordering the demolition and/or repair of buildings, dwellings, or structures; providing for severability and providing for a penalty (second reading)

A motion was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **approve the ORDINANCE**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C-6. Consideration and possible approval of an Ordinance finding certain buildings, dwellings and/or structures located at 1425 Dogwood, Vidor, Texas, to be public nuisances and ordering the demolition and/or repair of buildings, dwellings, or structures; providing for severability and providing for a penalty (second reading)

A motion was made by Councilmember Aldridge, seconded by Councilmember McGowan, to **approve the ORDINANCE**. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C-7. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution appointing a member to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Mayor Songe tabled this item until after the 2022 Election.

C-8. Update from City Manager on opening the City Pool for Summer 2022.

Robbie Hood, City Manager explained the pool will open May 28, 2022 and remain open until August 7, 2022. Mr. Hood explained there are new state rules for certifications to administer chemicals. Mr. Hood stated he had two (2) employees currently taking this certification program and they would be ready for opening day.

A brief discussion ensued.

C-9. Consideration and possible approval to amend Ordinance 1419 Calling for the Runoff Election date in a City Election to be changed from June 25, 2022, to June 18, 2022. Consideración y posible aprobación para enmendar la Ordenanza 1419 que pide que la fecha de la elección de segunda vuelta en una elección de la ciudad se cambie del 25 de junio de 2022 al 18 de junio de 2022.

Betty Strong, City Secretary, explained this Ordinance is to change the original runoff election from June 25, 2022 to June 18, 2022 at the County's request.

Mayor Songe verified all candidates were agreeable with the new date.

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **approve the ORDINANCE**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. Councilmember McGowan had stepped out of the meeting to take a call. The motion carried.

C-10. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code – Consultation with Attorney, regarding pending or contemplated litigation and settlement offers

Council did not convene into executive session.

C-11. Consideration and possible action arising or related to Agenda Item C-10.

No action taken.

ATTEST:

C-12. Consideration of Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Aldridge, seconded by Councilmember Carder, for **Consideration of Adjournment**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

These minutes approved May 26, 2022.

Misty Songe, Mayor