



**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

The Regular Session of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, 2019, at City Hall, 702 N. Hwy 175, Seagoville, Texas with a quorum present, to wit:

Dennis Childress	Mayor	
Jon Epps	Mayor Pro Tem	Absent
Jose Hernandez	Councilmember	
Rick Howard	Councilmember	
Harold Magill	Councilmember	
Mike Fruin	Councilmember	

The following staff members were also present: City Manager Patrick Stallings, Police Captain Steve Davis, Library Director Liz Gant, Community Development Director Ladis Barr, City Attorney Victoria Thomas, Finance Director Patrick Harvey, Fire Chief Todd Gilcrease, Water Utilities Director Chris Ryan, Municipal Court Administrator Julissa Perez, Seagoville Economic Development Assistant Don Cole, Director of Administrative Services Cindy Brown, and City Secretary Kandi Jackson.

Invocation – *Invocation was led by Don Cole.*

Pledge of Allegiance – *Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Childress.*

DISD – P-Tech present award to administration – *Dallas Independent School District's P-Tech Department presented an award to thank City Staff for their participation in the program.*

Mayor's Report – *None.*

Citizens Public Comment Period- *This portion of the meeting is to allow each speaker up to six (6) minutes to address the council on items not posted on the current agenda. Council may not discuss these items but may respond with factual data or policy information, or place the item on a future agenda. Citizens wishing to speak on posted agenda items will be called upon at that time. Anyone wishing to speak shall submit a Speaker Request Form to the City Secretary.*

None.

CONSENT AGENDA- The Consent Agenda contains items which are routine in nature and will be acted upon in one motion.

1. Consider approving City Council Meeting minutes for August 26, 2019 (City Secretary)

2. Approval of City of Seagoville’s Financial Policies for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Finance Director)

Motion to approve Consent Agenda as read – Hernandez, seconded by Magill; motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

REGULAR AGENDA-

3. First Reading – Consider approval of Resolution No. 46-R-2019 approving an Economic Development Grant from the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation to JWWIV, LLC in the amount of \$430,000 to offset the purchase price for the sale of the property owned by the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation and located at 2108 N. Highway 175 and 2110 N. Highway 175, Seagoville, Dallas County, Texas (City Manager)

Mayor Childress stated Agenda Item #3 will be tabled to a later date.

4. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution amending the City of Seagoville’s Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Finance Director)

Finance Director Harvey explained the Public Funds Investment Act governs the way tax payers’ monies are invested and they require an annual approval of the policy.

Motion to approve a Resolution amending the City of Seagoville’s Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 – Hernandez, seconded by Magill; motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

5. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, approving the adopted budget for the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with that budget; and declaring an effective date (Finance Director)

Motion to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, approving the adopted budget for the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with that budget; and declaring an effective date – Magill, seconded by Howard; motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

6. Discuss and consider approval of three (3) Hotel Occupancy Tax Grant Agreements with Seagoville Chamber of Commerce for Mayfest (\$12,500.00); Seagofest (\$12,500.00); and 4th of July Celebration (\$5,000.00) totaling Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 (Finance Director)

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7. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, approving and adopting a budget for the City for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 and providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause, and declaring an effective date (Finance Director)

Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, approving and adopting a budget for the City for the fiscal year October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 and providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause, and declaring an effective date – Magill, seconded by Howard.

Mayor Childress called for a record vote as follows:

*Howard – aye
Hernandez – aye
Magill – aye
Fruin – aye
Epps – absent*

Motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

8. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, adopting and levying ad valorem taxes for the fiscal year 2020 at a rate of \$0.788800 per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City as of January 1, 2019, to provide revenues for current expenses and interest and sinking fund requirements for all outstanding debt of the City; approving tax rolls; providing for due and delinquent dates together with penalties and interest; and declaring an effective date (Finance Director)

"I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.788800, which is effectively a 9.18 percent increase in the tax rate" – Hernandez, seconded by Howard.

Mayor Childress called for a record vote as follows;

Howard – aye

Hernandez – aye

Magill – aye

Fruin – aye

Epps – absent

Motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

9. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution ratifying the budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 that will require raising more revenues by 4.73% or \$241,150 from property taxes than the previous year and of that amount, \$63,870 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year (Finance Director)

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Mayor Childress called for a record vote as follows:

Howard – aye

Hernandez – aye

Magill – aye

Fruin – aye

Epps – absent

Motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

10. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance approving a Water & Sewer Fund budget amendment for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019 (Finance Director)

Motion to approve an Ordinance approving a Water & Sewer Fund budget amendment for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019 – Howard, seconded by Magill; motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

11. Presentation of City of Seagoville’s Third Quarter Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2019 (Finance Director)

Finance Director Harvey presented the City of Seagoville’s Third Quarter Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2019.

No questions.

12. Discuss and consider an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee (“ACSC”) and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the company’s 2019 rate review mechanism filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the attached settlement tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; approving an attached Exhibit establishing a benchmark for pensions and retiree medical benefits; approving an attached Exhibit regarding amortization of regulatory liability; requiring the company to reimburse ACSC’s reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this ordinance to the company and the ACSC’s legal counsel (Director of Administrative Services)

Director of Administrative Services Brown introduced Atmos Representative Kenneth Mathis.

Atmos Representative Mathis explained the process for establishing the rates.

Councilmember Hernandez asked if the pipes in Seagoville have been updated and if Atmos can provide that in writing. Atmos Representative Mathis stated there is no cast iron in the City of Seagoville.

Councilmember Hernandez expressed his concern about the Atmos rates and how the funds are distributed.

No motion was made.

13. Discuss and consider approving a Resolution of the City of Seagoville, Texas authorizing the City Manager to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Texas Department of Public Safety (“TXDPS”), an agency of the State of Texas, and the Municipal Court serving the City to implement the provisions of Chapter 706 of the Texas Transportation Code; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date (Municipal Court Administrator)

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14. Second Reading – Consider approval of Resolution No. 46-R-2019 approving an Economic Development Grant from the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation to JWWIV, LLC in the amount of \$430,000 to offset the purchase price for the sale of the property owned by the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation and located at 2108 N. Highway 175 and 2110 N. Highway 175, Seagoville, Dallas County, Texas (City Manager)

Mayor Childress stated Agenda Item #14 will be table to a later date.

15. Discuss and consider approving a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas approving an agreement with Halff Associates, Inc. for the purpose of providing surveying and engineering services for the Ard road pump station improvements phase 2; authorizing the City Manager to sign; and providing an effective date (Director of Water Utilities)

Motion to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas approving an agreement with Halff Associates, Inc. for the purpose of providing surveying and engineering services for the Ard road pump station improvements phase 2; authorizing the City Manager to sign; and providing an effective date – Magill, seconded by Howard; motion passed with all ayes. 4/0

16. Receive Councilmember Reports/Items of Community Interest - as authorized by Section 551.0415 of the Texas Government Code.

Councilmember Fruin reminded everyone about the Movie in the Park on Saturday night. He stated Hotel Transylvania will be playing at C.O. Bruce Park beginning at 7:00 p.m.

17. Future Agenda Items – Council to provide direction to staff regarding future agenda items. These items will not be discussed and no action will be taken at this meeting.

None.

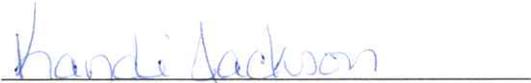
Adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor Dennis K. Childress

ATTEST:



Kandi Jackson, City Secretary

