



**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 26, 2023**

The Regular Session of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas was called to order at 7:00 PM on Monday, June 26, 2023, at City Hall, 702 N. Hwy 175, Seagoville, Texas with a quorum present, to wit:

Lackey Stepper Sebastian	Mayor
Harold Magill	Mayor Pro-Tem
Rick Howard	Councilmember
Jose Hernandez	Councilmember
Allen Grimes	Councilmember
Jon Epps	Councilmember

The following staff members were also present: City Manager Patrick Stallings, Assistant City Manager Cindy Brown, Police Chief Ray Calverley, Finance Director Gail French, Community Development Director Bill Medina, Public Works Director Chris Ryan, City Attorney Victoria Thomas, and Interim City Secretary Melinda Welsh.

Invocation – *The invocation was provided by Former Mayor Dennis K. Childress*

Pledge of Allegiance – *The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sebastian*

Routine Announcements, Recognitions, and Proclamations

Mayor Sebastian presented a plaque to outgoing Mayor Dennis K. Childress and stated Mr. Childress has done a great deal of work for the city, has done an honorable job, and the city appreciates Mr. Childress very much for his many years of service.

Mayor Sebastian presented a plaque to outgoing Councilmember Mike Fruin and thanked him for his outstanding work and the many years he served the city, appreciates everything Mr. Fruin has done.

Mayor's Report – *Mayor Sebastian stated it has been an honor to try and follow in the footsteps of Mr. Childress, has been more difficult than he thought, appreciates everything Mr. Childress has done and has been a wonderful mayor.*

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.

Stephen Jackson, 15920 Seagoville Rd, addressed Council and stated he is the Athletic Coordinator and Head Football Coach for Seagoville High School and is here to say congratulations to all the new elected officials voted in but is also here to represent Seagoville High School and say how much Councilmember Allen Grimes is appreciated. Councilmember Grimes is newly appointed but has done so much for the school. Mr. Jackson stated he would like to continue to build in Seagoville, will be his second year at Seagoville High School, left about five years ago but came back and knows how special this place can be, is because of people like Mayor, Council, and Staff, and all that give their time and effort and would like to continue that push forward for the kids. There are a number of activities for the youth coming up. Mr. Jackson reported offering a Little League youth camp that will be at no cost, he and the football staff will do a cheerleading camp, and several things with SYSA (Seagoville Youth Sports Association). He stated he would like to say thanks for all the city does for the school and hopefully can continue to work this relationship together so that each can build some things in Seagoville that will benefit the kids.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Receive presentation of City of Seagoville’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022. (Finance Director and BrooksWatson & Co.)

Finance Director Gail French and Mike Brooks with BrooksWatson & Co. presented the City of Seagoville’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022. Finance Director French stated that the city received an unmodified opinion which is the best you can have.

2. Discuss and consider selection of Mayor Pro-Tem for 2023-2024.

Motion to nominate Harold Magill as Mayor Pro-Tem for 2023-2024. – Hernandez, seconded by Howard; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

3. Discuss and consider approving a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, declaring certain city property surplus and authorizing the City Manager to sell, trade and/or dispose of it in accordance with the process established in the Code of Ordinances; providing for the repeal of any and all Resolutions in conflict; providing for a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Purchasing Agent)

Motion to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, declaring certain city property surplus and authorizing the City Manager to sell, trade and/or dispose of it in accordance with the process established in the Code of Ordinances; providing for the repeal of any and all Resolutions in conflict; providing for a severability clause; and providing an effective date. – Magill, seconded by Howard; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

4. Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title II “Buildings; Development;

Zoning”, Chapter 23 “Subdivisions”, Article 23.03 “Subdivision Design Standards”, Section 23.03.010 “Stormwater Collection and Conveyance Systems”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Community Development Director)

Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title II “Buildings; Development; Zoning”, Chapter 23 “Subdivisions”, Article 23.03 “Subdivision Design Standards”, Section 23.03.010 “Stormwater Collection and Conveyance Systems”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. – Magill, seconded by Hernandez; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

- 5. Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title II “Buildings; Development; Zoning”, Chapter 21 “Building Regulations”, Article 21.08 “Fences”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Community Development Director)**

Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title II “Buildings; Development; Zoning”, Chapter 21 “Building Regulations”, Article 21.08 “Fences”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. – Hernandez, seconded by Magill; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

- 6. Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title I “General Ordinances”, Chapter 7 “Business Regulations”, Article 7.06 “Occasional Sales”, Section 7.06.002 “Permit”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Community Development Director)**

Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title I “General Ordinances”, Chapter 7 “Business Regulations”, Article 7.06 “Occasional Sales”, Section 7.06.002 “Permit”; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. – Howard, seconded by Hernandez; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

7. **Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 17 “Traffic”, Article 17.04 “Parking, Stopping or Standing”, Division 2. Parking Regulations on Specific Streets”, by repealing in their entirety Section 17.04.068 “U.S. Highway 175 Eastbound Service Road” and Section 17.04.069 “Water Street”; directing the removal of signage previously erected regarding prohibited parking; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each offense; and providing an effective date. (Community Development Director)**

*Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 17 “Traffic”, Article 17.04 “Parking, Stopping or Standing”, Division 2. Parking Regulations on Specific Streets”, by repealing in their entirety Section 17.04.068 “U.S. Highway 175 Eastbound Service Road” and Section 17.04.069 “Water Street”; directing the removal of signage previously erected regarding prohibited parking; providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each offense; and providing an effective date. – Hernandez, seconded by Grimes; motion **failed**. 2/3 with Howard, Magill, and Epps opposed.*

8. **Discuss and consider approving the reappointment of Commissioner Shelly Sipriano and Vice-Chairperson Tommy Lemond to the Planning and Zoning Commission. (Community Development Director)**

Motion to approve the reappointment of Shelly Sipriano and Tommy Lemond to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a 2-year term ending June 2025. – Magill, seconded by Epps; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

9. **Discuss and consider directing Staff on the selection of the movie(s) to view at the annual “Movie in the Park” events to be held on: Saturday, August 19, 2023, and Saturday, September 16, 2023 (Public Works Director)**

*Motion to view *The Secret Life of Pets* at the Saturday, August 19, 2023, Movie in the Park Event, and *Vivo* at the Saturday, September 16, 2023, Movie in the Park Event. – Epps, seconded by Hernandez; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0*

10. **Discuss designating Monday, July 3, 2023, as an additional City Holiday, except for Council Meeting/Public Hearing previously scheduled. (Councilmember Hernandez)**

Motion to designate Monday, July 3, 2023, as an additional City Holiday. – Epps, seconded by Grimes; motion passed with all ayes. 5/0

11. **Receive Councilmember Reports/Items of Community Interest – As authorized by Section 551.0415 of the Texas Government Code.**

Council had nothing to report.

- 12. 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.

Mayor Pro-Tem Magill stated he would like to have further discussion on agenda item 7 from tonight and before no parking signs are removed so parking for loading and unloading only can be installed at the RJ Trailers location.

Councilmember Hernandez said he seconds that agenda item being added.

13. Recessed Into Executive Session at 7:52 PM

Council convened into closed Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code pursuant to the following:

- A. Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters: Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation and duties of a public officer or employee, to wit: City Secretary and candidate search for same with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**
- B. Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney: Seek legal advice regarding amending Code of Ordinances Article 11.06 - Short-Term Rentals Licensing with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**
- C. Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney: Seek legal advice regarding allowing burn pits and burn barrels within the City on real properties of two acres or more with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**
- D. Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney: Seek legal advice regarding a proposed mass gathering ordinance with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**
- E. Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney: Seek legal advice regarding a proposed event centers ordinance with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**
- F. Section 551.071 – Consultation with City Attorney: Seek legal advice regarding the makeup of the Board of Directors of the Seagoville Economic Development Corporation with possible discussion and action related thereto in open session.**

14. Reconvened Into Open Session at 9:44 PM

Council reconvened into open session, to take action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

- 15. Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code or Ordinances of the City of Seagoville, by adding a new Article 7.11 “Mass Gatherings” to Chapter 7 “Business Regulations”; providing for a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars for each offense; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing for an effective date. (City Attorney)**

Motion to table an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code or Ordinances of the City of Seagoville, by adding a new Article 7.11 “Mass Gatherings” to Chapter 7 “Business Regulations”; providing for a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of two thousand (\$2,000.00)

dollars for each offense; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing for an effective date. – Hernandez, seconded by Grimes; motion to **table** until the next meeting passed with all ayes. 5/0

- 16. Discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Seagoville, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Title I “General Ordinances”, Chapter 7 “Business Regulations” by adding a new Article 7.11 “Commercial Event Centers” providing a savings clause; providing for a severability clause; providing a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense; and providing an effective date. (City Attorney)**

Councilmember Epps withdrew this agenda item from consideration. City Attorney Victoria Thomas stated there was no need for a second to the motion as Mr. Epps had requested this item so he may withdraw it.

Adjourned at 9:46 PM

APPROVED:


Mayor Lackey Stepper Sebastian

ATTEST:


Melinda Welsh, TRMC
Interim City Secretary

