

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF TITUS**

**CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT**

The City Council of the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas, after notice posted in the manner, form and contents as required by law, met in Regular Session September 17, 2024, at 6:00PM. at the Council Chambers located at 501 North Madison with the following members present:

Tracy Craig	-	Mayor
Carl Hinton	-	Mayor Pro-Tem
Sherri Spruill	-	Council Member
Kelly Redfearn	-	Council Member
Jonathan Hageman	-	Council Member
Kerry Wootten	-	City Attorney
Candias Webster	-	Assistant City Manager/City Secretary

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 REGULAR SESSION MINUTES.**

Motion was made by Council Member Redfearn, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve of September 3, 2024 Regular Session Minutes. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-13 ADOPTING THE INVESTMENT POLICY.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve Resolution 2024-13 Adopting the Investment Policy. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2024-18 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Redfearn to Approve Ordinance 2024-18 Amending the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2024-19 ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to table this item. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2024-20 LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE TAX YEAR 2024 (FISCAL YEAR 2025).**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to table this item. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2024-21 RATIFYING THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to table this item. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER PAY REQUEST #16 FROM HERITAGE CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR WORK ON THE SOUTHSIDE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve of Pay Request #16 for work on the Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$1,073,216.20. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AN ANIMAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PITTSBURG.**

Motion was made by Council Member Redfearn, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve of an Animal Services Agreement with the City of Pittsburg. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AN ANIMAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF GILMER.**

Motion was made by Council Member Redfearn, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve of an Animal Services Agreement with the City of Gilmer. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM STEVEN M. CAPPS PROPERTIES, LTD FOR THE APPROVAL OF A ZONING CHANGE FROM FD(FUTURE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT) TO SF-1(SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT), FOR PROPERTY BEING PART OF 32.58 ACRES SITUATED IN THE JOHN H. ORE SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 432 AND CONVEYED AS TRACT ONE AND ALSO ENCOMPASSING THE 11 LOTS COMPRISING DEER PARK ESTATES BLK A, LOCATED GENERALLY NORTH OF N. JEFFERSON AVENUE AND SOUTH OF NW CR 35 IN THE CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to approve of a request from Steven M. Capps Properties, LTD for the approval of a zoning change from FD (Future Development District) to SF-1 (Single-Family Residential District), for property being part of 32.58 acres situated in the John H. Ore Survey, Abstract No. 432 and conveyed as Tract One and also encompassing the 11 lots comprising Deer Park Estates Blk A, located generally north of N. Jefferson Avenue and south of NW CR 35 in the city of Mount Pleasant, Titus County, Texas. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-12 ADOPTING HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AND APPOINT HAZARD MITIGATION COORDINATOR.**

Motion was made by Council Member Redfearn, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve of Resolution 2024-12 Adopting Hazard Mitigation Plan and Appoint the Fire Chief/Emergency Management Coordinator as Hazard Mitigation Coordinator. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT DR-4485, TEXAS COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

Motion was made by Council Member Redfearn, Second by Council Member Hageman to Approve of Hazard Mitigation Grant Dr-4485, Texas Covid-19 Pandemic. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION AND APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY, CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hinton, Second by Council Member Hageman to Appoint Interim City Attorney and Approve of engagement letter. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, The City Council will recess into executive session (closed meeting) to discuss the following: Texas Government Code §551.071, (Consultation with Attorney), §551.072, (Deliberations about Real Property), §551.074, (Personnel Matters), §551.076, (Deliberations about Security Devices), §551.087, (economic development negotiations), or any other exception authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.**

Discussion of possible extension of the employment of the Interim City Manager, possible amendment of Interim City Manager's employment agreement and recruitment process for the City Manager; (Consultation with Attorney §551.071 and Personnel Matters §551.074)

Discussion of possible settlement of Cause No. 43346, Luis and Alma Lozano's Appeal of Special Commissioner's Award, pending in the 76<sup>th</sup> District Court of Titus County; (Consultation with Attorney §551.072 and Real Estate §551.072)

Discussion of possible resolution of lease negotiations relating to City's lease of 418 North Madison, Mount Pleasant, Texas(Consultation with Attorney §551.071 and Real Estate §551.072)

Discussion regarding (re) appointment to city regulatory bonds and commissions. (Consultation with Attorney §551.072 and Personnel Matters §551.074)

**RECONVENE INTO THE REGULAR SESSION**

**In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into regular session to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in executive session.**

Motion was made by Redfearn and seconded by Hageman to extend the contract of Interim City Manager to March with a pay increase of \$2500 per month.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON CONTRACT TO RECRUIT CITY MANAGER.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve on contract to recruit City Manager. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON TIMELINE TO RECRUIT CITY MANAGER AND APPROVE CITY MANAGER JOB DESCRIPTION.**

Motion was made by Council Member Hageman, Second by Council Member Hinton to Approve City Manager Job Description. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

*The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time to discuss any of the matters listed on the agenda as authorized by the Texas Government Code §551.071, (Consultation with Attorney), §551.072, (Deliberations about Real Property), §551.074, (Personnel Matters), §551.076, (Deliberations about Security Devices), §551.087, (economic development negotiations), or any other exception authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.*

**ADJOURN: 9:51PM**

Mayor Adjourned the Meeting.

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**TRACY CRAIG, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**CANDIAS WEBSTER, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER/CITY SECRETARY**