

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 7, 2021, at 6:30 P.M. at Council Chambers located at 501 North Madison with the following members present:

	Tracy Craig	-	Mayor
	Jerry Walker	-	Council Member
	Sherri Spruill	-	Council Member
	Galen Adams	-	Council Member
	Henry N Chappell II	-	Council Member
	Kerry Wootten	-	City Attorney
	Ed Thatcher	-	City Manager
Absent	Tim Dale	-	Mayor Pro-Tem
	Darleen Durant	-	City Secretary

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AND AUGUST 24, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Chappell to Approve Minutes of August 17, 2021 Regular Meeting and August 24, 2021 Special Meeting. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TAX RATE.

Mayor opened the public hearing, and no comments were made. Mayor closed the public hearing.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022.

Mayor opened the public hearing, and no comments were made. Mayor closed the public hearing.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2021-19 ADOPTING THE FY2021 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET.

Motion was made by Council Member Spruill second by Council Member Adams to Approve Ordinance 2021-19 Adopting the FY2021 Annual Operating Budget. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL ORDINANCE 2021-20 AMENDING SECTIONS 50.04 - 52.08 TITLE V OF CHAPTER 50 AND 52 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE UTILITY CHARGES; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.

Motion was made by Council Member Chappell, second by Council Member Spruill to Approve Ordinance 2021-20 Amending Sections 50.04 - 52.08 Title V of Chapter 50 and 52 of the Code of Ordinances to Increase Utility Charges; Repealing all Conflicting Ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing an effective date; and providing for publication. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AWARD OF BID FOR NORTH MADISON STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Walker to Award Bid for North Madison Street Lighting Improvements to X-Anna, Inc in amount of \$11,713,240.00. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously. Lanny Buck was present to answer questions from Council.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST TO ASB UTILITY CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR WORK ON BASIN M SEWER LINE IMPROVEMENTS.

Motion was made by Council Member Chappell, second by Council Member Adams to Approve Pay Request to ASB utility Construction, LLC for work on Basin M Sewer Line Improvements in amount of \$131,807.75. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously. Lanny Buck was present to answer question from Council.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST FROM TEXAS J&D CONSTRUCTION, LTD FOR WORK ON 12 -INCH WATER LINE.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Walker to Approve Pay Request from Texas J&D Construction, LTD for work on 12 -Inch Water line in amount of \$285,150.10. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously. Lanny Buck was present to answer question from Council.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST FROM MS CUSTOM WELDING FOR WORK ON THE ARCHWAY AT THE NEW SPORTS COMPLEX.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Walker to Table this item until next meeting. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously. Lanny Buck was present to answer question from Council.

CONSIDER AWARDED CHEMICAL BID 7-2021 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022.

Motion was made by Council Member Spruill, second by Council Member Chappell to Approve Awarding Chemical Bid 7-2021 for the Fiscal year 2022.

Aluminum Sulfate - Chameleon Industries

Caustic Soda - FSTI

Chlorine - DPC Industries

35% Calcium Hypochlorite - Harcros Chemicals

Liquid Sulphur Dioxide - DPC Industries

Powdered Activated Carbon - Harcros Chemicals

Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2021-28 ACCEPTING THE 2022 RAMP GRANT AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO SIGN ELECTRONICALLY TO ACCEPT THE GRANT.

Motion was made by Council Member Chappell, second by Council Member Adams to Approve Resolution 2021-28 Accepting the 2022 Ramp Grant and authorize the Director of Finance to sign Electronically to accept the grant. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2021-25 AUTHORIZATION TO INTERVENE THROUGH THE CITIES ADVOCATING REASONABLE DEREGULATION (CARD) IN REVIEW OF SWEPSCO APPLICATION FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS TO DEPLOY AND RECOVER THE COSTS RELATED TO NEW METERING SYSTEM.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Chappell to Approve Resolution 2021-25 Authorization to Intervene through the Cities Advocating Reasonable Deregulation (CARD) in review of SWEPSCO Application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to Deploy and Recover the costs related to new metering system. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2021-26 AUTHORIZATION TO INTERVENE THROUGH THE CITIES ADVOCATING REASONABLE DEREGULATION (“CARD”) IN REVIEW OF SWEPCO APPLICATION FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS TO IMPLEMENT A SURCHARGE TO RECOVER APPROXIMATELY \$192 MILLION IN FUEL COSTS SWEPCO CONTENDS IT INCURRED DURING THE FEBRUARY 2021 WINTER.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Chappell to Approve Resolution 2021-26 Authorization to Intervene through the Cities Advocating Reasonable Deregulation (“CARD”) in review of SWEPCO application filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to implement a surcharge to recover approximately \$192 million in fuel costs SWEPCO contends it incurred during the February 2021 winter. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.

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:

Real Property: discuss purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (Tex Gov't Code 551.072):

Litigation: consult with the City Attorney concerning legal matters (Tex. Gov't Code 551.071)

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.

CONSIDER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH MSB CONSTRUCTION.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Chappell to Approve Agreement with MSB Construction. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously

ADJOURN: 8:31PM

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, second by Council Member Walker to close the September 7, 2021, Meeting. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

TRACY CRAIG, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DARLEEN DURANT, CITY SECRETARY