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 5, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. at Council Chambers located at 501 North Madison with the following members present:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2023 BUDGET WORKSHOP, AUGUST 15, 2023 REGULAR SESSION, AND AUGUST 29, 2023 SPECIAL SESSION.

Motion was made by Council Member Dale, Second by Council Member Chappell to Approve of Minutes of August 15, 2023 Budget Workshop, August 15, 2023 Regular Session, and August 29, 2023 Special Session. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION TO LIONS CLUB.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

The City Council welcomes citizen participation and comments at all Council meetings. Citizen comments are limited to two minutes out of respect for everyone’s time. The Council is not permitted to respond. The Texas Open Meetings Act requires that topics of discussion/deliberation be posted on the agenda not less than 72 hours in advance of the Council meetings. If your comments relate to a topic that is on the agenda, the Council will discuss topic on the agenda at the time that the topic is discussed and deliberated.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2023-14 AVAILABILITY OF ACCIDENT AND HEALTH BENEFITS COVERAGES FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES OF AFFILIATED SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS AND POSSIBLE RESOLUTION RELATING TO SAME.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, Second by Council Member Spruill to Discuss and Approve of Resolution 2023-14 Availability of Accident and Health Benefits Coverages for Council Members, Employees of Affiliated Service Providers and Their Dependents and Expense Reimbursement for Council Members and possible resolution relating to same. Upon a vote, motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Walker Abstaining and Council Members, Dale, Adams, Chappell, and Spruill voting for.

DISCUSSION WITH MICHAEL BEATY CONCERNING THE ANDERSON DEVELOPMENT.

Was not discussed.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2023-15 UPDATING USER FEES FOR BUILDING PERMITS, CODE ENFORCEMENT, PARKS, CIVIC CENTER, AND ESTABLISHING FEES FOR PILGRIM’S COMMUNITY CENTER.

Motion was made by Council Member Adams, Second by Walker to move item to next meeting. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.
CONSIDERATION PROPOSING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 TAX RATE.
Motion was made by Council Member Dale, Second by Council Member Chappell to Consider Proposal of the Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Rate of .344783. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2023-13 ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.
Motion was made by Council Member Adams, Second by Council Member Dale to Approve of Ordinance 2023-13 Adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2024. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINAL PAY REQUEST FROM WATSON COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION, LTD FOR WORK ON THE COMMUNITY CENTER.
Motion was made by Council Member Walker, Second by Council Member Chappell to Approve of Final Pay Request from Watson Commercial Construction, LTD for work on the Community Center in the amount of $257,017.80. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST FROM HERITAGE CONSTRUCTORS, INC FOR THE SOUTHSIDE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.
Motion was made by Council Member Dale, Second by Council Member Chappell to Approve of Pay Request from Heritage Constructors, Inc for the Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of $2,058,401.54 Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAY REQUEST FROM A&O CLASSIC COATINGS & PAINTINGS CORP. FOR WORK ON HWY 271 ELEVATED STORAGE TANK REHABILITATION.
Motion was made by Council Member Dale, Second by Council Member Chappell to Approve of Pay Request from A&O Classic Coatings & Paintings Corp. for work on HWY 271 Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation in the amount of $256,311.72. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2023-11 REGULATING THE SPEED ON FM 1734 IN THE VICINITY OF MT. PLEASANT HIGH SCHOOL.
Motion was made by Council Member Chappell, Second by Council Member Spruill to Approve of Ordinance 2023-11 Regulating the Speed on FM 1734 in the vicinity of the Mt. Pleasant High School. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2023-14 A MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TXDOT AND THE CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT TO MAINTAIN PORTIONS OF HIGHWAYS.
Motion was made by Council Member Dale, Second by Council Member Chappell to Approve of Ordinance 2023-14 a Municipal Agreement between TxDOT and the City of Mount Pleasant to maintain portions of highways. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

ADJOURN: 7:20PM
Mayor adjourned the meeting.

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TRACY CRAIG, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CANDIAS WEBSTER, CITY SECRETARY