



City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

11:30 AM

Council Chambers

Addendums may be added on Friday.

A. Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo to call the meeting to order.

Mayor Guajardo called the meeting to order at 11:37 a.m.

B. Invocation to be given by Pastor Claude Axel, Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Pastor Claude Axel, Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church, gave the invocation

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Texas Flag to be led by Paris Watson, Roy Miller High School.

Paris Watson, Roy Miller High School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and the Texas Flag.

D. City Secretary Rebecca L. Huerta to call the roll of the required Charter Officers.

City Secretary Rebecca L. Huerta called the roll and verified that a quorum of the City Council and the required Charter Officers were present to conduct the meeting.

Charter Officers: City Manager Peter Zanoni, City Attorney Miles K. Risley and City Secretary Rebecca L. Huerta.

Present: 9 - Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo, Council Member Roland Barrera, Council Member Gil Hernandez, Council Member Michael Hunter, Council Member Billy A. Lerma, Council Member John Martinez, Council Member Ben Molina, Council Member Mike Pusley, and Council Member Greg Smith

E. Proclamations / Commendations

Mayor Guajardo announced that the following commendation and proclamation were presented: Calallen Wildcats Soccer Team and Preservation Month.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guajardo referred to comments from the public.

Carrie Meyer, 4401 Gulfbreeze Blvd., called in regarding the American Rescue Plan Act.

The following citizens submitted written public comments which are attached to the

Minutes: Libby Averyt, 430 Grant Place; and Dawn Abrams, 627 Arrow Rd.

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta read an update on public comment procedures. Beginning May 25th citizens have the option of making public comments in person.

G. SOUTH TEXAS MILITARY TASK FORCE BRIEFING - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR KRESTEN COOK

Mayor Guajardo referred to the South Texas Military Task Force Briefing.

Executive Director Kresten Cook stated that the purpose of the South Texas Military Task Force is to increase awareness of the military. The Task Force's mission is to promote, preserve and protect the area military installations.

H. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS / UPDATE ON CITY OPERATIONS:

Mayor Guajardo referred to City Manager's Comments.

a. Memorial Day Preparations

City Manager Zanoni reported on the Memorial Day weekend preparations.

CEO of the Corpus Christi Convention and Visitors Bureau Brett Oetting presented information on the following topics: Memorial Day Historical Occupancy; VCC forecasting; portrait of American travelers; vacation motivators; power of marketing; and annual power of travel in Corpus Christi.

Council Members and Public Works Director Richard Martinez discussed the following topics: in preparation for holiday traffic, a detour route at the Aquarius intersection will be implemented to prevent traffic from backing up on the island bridge.

b. Texas Parks & Wildlife Presentation by Captain Ben Baker

City Manager Zanoni introduced Texas Parks & Wildlife Captain Ben Baker. Captain Baker briefed the Council on the department's duties, saying that they are conservation police officers and water safety enforcement officers.

A Council Member thanked Captain Baker for his service.

c. National Public Works Week

City Manager Zanoni reported that this week is National Public Works Week.

Director of Public Works Richard Martinez stated that this is the 61st annual Public Works Week. Director Martinez recognized the streets paving crew and stated that 108 projects have been completed.

d. Two Years of City Accomplishments

City Manager Zanoni reported that his two year anniversary with the City is May 20th and gave an update on the City's achievements over the last two years. A community celebration will take place on Saturday, May 22nd from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Corpus Christi Art Center in recognition of our City's progress.

I. **BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: NONE**

J. **EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:**

K. **CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 1 - 13)**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Consent Agenda. Council Members requested that Items 11 and 13 be pulled for individual consideration.

A motion was made by Council Member Molina, seconded by Council Member Pusley to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items 11 and 13. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

1. [21-0566](#) Approval of the Minutes of the May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting.

The Minutes were approved on the consent agenda.

Consent - Second Reading Ordinances

2. [21-0433](#) Ordinance authorizing a Wastewater Lift Station, Gravity and Force Main Line Construction and Reimbursement Agreement for up to \$2,041,201.17 with Mostaghasi Investment Trust to construct a new Wastewater Lift Station, Gravity and Force Main for a proposed residential and commercial development located west of the U.S. Highway 77 (I-69) and County Road 52 Intersection with a completion date of within 24 months; transferring \$372,704.89 from the Water Arterial Transmission and Grid Main Trust Fund, \$83,339.25 from the Water Distribution Main Trust Fund, and \$101,793.65 from the Wastewater Collection Line Trust Fund to the Wastewater Trunk System Trust Fund; appropriating \$1,772,500.78 from the Wastewater Trunk System Trust Fund; transferring of future revenue of \$268,700.39 collectively from Water and Wastewater lot and acreage fees and pro rate fees to the Wastewater Trunk System Trust Fund; authorizing appropriation of \$268,700.39 from the Wastewater Trunk System Trust Fund to reimburse the Developer per the agreement. (District 1)

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 032434

3. [21-0214](#) Ordinance awarding a construction contract to Teal Construction, Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, for the Corpus Christi International Airport Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Security Equipment Consolidation Project to relocate the existing TSA baggage screening equipment, in an amount of \$564,202.00 and appropriating funds from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and amending the FY 2020-2021 budget by increasing revenues and expenditures.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 032435

4. [21-0518](#) Ordinance annexing London Pirate Road (formerly County Road 33), from FM 43 (Weber Road) to the North approximately 1.027 miles, being approximately 3.733 acres of land, into the territorial limits of the City of Corpus Christi increasing the area to 489 sq. miles; and approving a service plan.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 032436

Consent - Contracts and Procurement

5. [21-0497](#) Motion authorizing a three-year supply agreement for automotive parts with Advance Stores Company of Raleigh, North Carolina via U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance an Omnia Partner Cooperative in an amount not to exceed \$165,000.00 for the Fleet of the Corpus Christi Fire Department, effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed with FY 2021 funding in an amount of \$22,916.67 available through the General Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-103

6. [21-0500](#) Motion authorizing the purchase of a MX908-C Handheld Chemical Identification Device and a five-month service agreement for staff training in an amount of \$79,088.25 with FarrWest Environmental Supply Inc. of Schertz, Texas via HGACBuy Cooperative for the Corpus Christi Fire Department effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed with FY 2021 funding through the Fire Grants Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-104

7. [21-0267](#) Motion authorizing a four-year service agreement for Boat Yard Crane Services for Corpus Christi Marina with Esmeralda Flores Sanchez dba Sanchez Marine

Service of Corpus Christi, Texas, for a total amount not to exceed \$80,000.00; with FY 2021 funding in an amount of \$8,333.33 funded through the Marina Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-105

8. [21-0426](#) Motion authorizing the purchase of 91 light duty vehicles and the lease-purchase of two light duty vehicles, via JPMorgan, coming from various vendors as laid out in the bid tabulation as additions and replacements to the City fleet for a total amount of \$3,486,464.00 to be used by various City departments with FY 2021 funding available through the various department funds.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-106

9. [21-0340](#) Resolution authorizing a three-year supply agreement with Texas Packer and Loader Sales, Inc. dba Texas Pack and Load of San Antonio, Texas, in amount not to exceed \$480,000.00 for the purchase of Vacall Vacuum Truck Parts for Asset Management Department, Fleet Division, with FY 2021 funding in the amount of \$93,350.00 available through the Fleet Maintenance Fund.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 032437

10. [21-0527](#) Motion authorizing a three-year service agreement with Advance Paving and Construction, LLC, of Corpus Christi, Texas for an amount not to exceed \$168,200.00, for Paint Restoration Services for Asset Management, effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed, with FY 2021 funding in the amount of \$23,361.00 available through the Facility Maintenance Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-107

Consent - Capital Projects

11. [21-0423](#) Motion awarding a Master Services Agreement to Gignac & Associates LLC, Chuck Anastos Associates LLC, and Dykema Architects, Inc., all from Corpus Christi, Texas, to provide professional services for general renovations for multiple citywide facility projects with interior, exterior, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and site civil design services in an amount up to \$300,000.00 each per year for a total amount of \$900,000.00, with a one-year renewal option for each contract to be administratively authorized, and FY 2021 funding available from the Capital and Bond Funds.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 11.

Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds stated that the purpose of this item is to award three on-call contracts for general architectural and engineering services.

Council Members, Director Edmonds and City Attorney Miles Risley discussed the following topics: a Council Member's request for a full detailed report; a Council Member's concern that Gignac & Associates reportedly had issues paying subcontractors; due to an oversight, the evaluation matrix only included the three recommended contracts, although 10 applications were submitted; and a Council Member's understanding that as a practice, Facilities Multiple Award Contracts (FMAC) were only authorized for one year without a renewal option.

Council Member Hunter made a motion to approve the motion, seconded by Council Member Barrera. This Motion was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Nay: 1 - Council Member Hernandez

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2021-108

12. [21-0304](#) Motion awarding a construction contract to Abel's Paving & Construction Inc, Corpus Christi, Texas, for the Lifecycle Curb & Gutter Replacement project, located Citywide, in an amount of \$419,540.04 with FY 2021 funding available from the Storm Water Capital Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2021-109

13. [21-0571](#) Resolution to authorize intervention in the Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 51984, Application of AEP Texas Inc. ("AEP") to Amend its Distribution Cost Recovery Factor; finding that AEP's application to increase distribution rates within the city should be denied; authorizing participation with the cities served by AEP; authorizing hiring of legal counsel; and finding that the City's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by AEP

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 13.

City Attorney Miles Risley stated this item has an Executive Session. This Item was discussed in Executive Session.

Council Member Hernandez made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Smith. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 032438

General Consent Items

L. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Legislative Update.

Director of Intergovernmental Relations Tammy Embrey presented information on the following topics: where are we at this week; big topics still unfinished-city advocacy censorship/no taxpayer funded lobbying; defund the police-Governor's priority; HB1869 debt restriction bill; and SB3-winter storm response bill-working on water provisions.

Council Members and Director Embrey discussed the following topics: legislation dealing with ERCOT is still in the process.

M. RECESS FOR LUNCH

The recess for lunch was held during Executive Session Item 25.

N. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (ITEMS 14 - 17)

14. [21-0546](#) Ordinance annexing approximately 18.59 acres of land at or near the intersection of County Road 52 and US Highway 77/Interstate 69 into the territorial limits of the City of Corpus Christi increasing the total area to 480.75 square miles.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 14.

Director of Planning & Environmental Services Daniel McGinn presented information on the following topics: background; aerial overview of annexation tract; proposed development plan; and staff's recommendation.

Council Members, Director McGinn, City Manager Peter Zanoni and Director of Public Works and Streets Operation Richard Martinez discussed the following topics: a Council Member's concern that County Road 52 did not have proper infrastructure for heavy traffic; Public Works has started working on the project this week and is expected to be complete in three weeks; and a Council Member's concern regarding major drainage issues.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

No public comments were submitted.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Pusley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Lerma. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

FIRST READING ORDINANCE: (ITEM 22)

22. [21-0251](#) Ordinance authorizing a one-year lease beginning July 1, 2021 with Yolanda Ibarra dba Mangonadas by MLB for the North Bayfront Park Kiosk, located on North Shoreline Blvd, near the intersection with Resaca Street, with monthly rent of \$913.50, with options to extend for up to 2 additional two-year terms upon agreement of the parties.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 22.

Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Sarah Munoz presented information on the following topics: North Bayfront Park Kiosk; Mangonadas by MLB; kiosk exterior; kiosk interior; kiosk basement; and staff recommends approval.

Council Members, City Manager Peter Zanoni, Yolanda Ibarra and Interim Director Munoz discussed the following topics: in response to a Council Member's question regarding the selection of this business, staff stated that Ms. Ibarra was the only vendor that reached out to the department; the kiosk is 400 square feet and will be open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. beginning July 1, 2021; a contract is being sought to provide maintenance to the fountain's electrical system; Ms. Ibarra will be responsible for keeping the area clean; and more trash receptacles will be made available.

Council Member Hunter made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Lerma. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

15. [21-0452](#) Zoning Case No. 0421-02, LD Calallen CCTX Hwy 77, LLC. (District 1). Ordinance zoning a property being annexed at or near the intersection of County Road 52 and Interstate 69 to the "CG-2 General Commercial District and

"RM-2" Multifamily District. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend Approval)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 15.

Director of Development Services Al Raymond presented information on the following topics: aerial overview; zoning pattern; public notification; and planning commission and staff recommend approval.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

No public comments were submitted.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

There were no questions or comments from the Council.

Council Member Lerma made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Molina. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

16. [21-0449](#) Zoning Case No. 0321-03, Walter, Dewane and Torell.: (District 4) Ordinance rezoning property at or near 16002 Park Road 22 from the "RM-AT/IO" Multifamily AT District with the Island Overlay to the "RV/IO" RV Resort District with the Island Overlay. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend Approval)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 16.

Director of Development Services Al Raymond stated that the purpose of this item is to allow for the development of a Resort Recreational Vehicle Park.

Director Raymond presented information on the following topics: aerial overview; adjacent development and zoning pattern; public notification; and planning commission and staff recommend approval of RV/IO.

Council Members, Owner and Applicant Mariam Walters, and Director Raymond discussed the following topics: federal flood insurance is unavailable for this property; the site location requires boring under TxDOT right-of-way to reach sanitary sewer collector; there are about eight units per acre; and the City of Corpus Christi has no ownership or rights to wetlands.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

No public comments were submitted.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Lerma. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

17. [21-0450](#) Zoning Case No. 0121-01, Braselton Development Company, Ltd.: (District 5) Ordinance rezoning property at or near 7601 Yorktown Boulevard from the "RS-4.5" Single Family 4.5 District and the "FR" Farm Rural District to the "RS-4.5/PUD" Single-Family 4.5 District with a Planned Unit Development. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend Approval)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 17.

Director of Development Services Al Raymond stated that the purpose of this item is to allow for the construction of 146 single-family homes.

Director Raymond presented information on the following topics: aerial overview; adjacent development and zoning pattern; public notification; PUD deviations; PUD concepts; and planning commission and staff recommend approval.

Council Members, Director Raymond and City Manager Peter Zanoni discussed the following topics: a Council Member's concern of not having a 50 foot right-of-way; a Council Member's concern of Yorktown Blvd. not being wide enough; a Council Member's concern of not having sidewalks on both sides of Yorktown Blvd.; a Council Member's concern that 50% of the vehicles associated with these homes will be parked on the street; many young individuals are not concerned with having a small yard; and PUDs allow for more flexibility for developers.

Council Member Hernandez made a motion to amend the ordinance to approve the PUD with the exception of 4 ft. sidewalks on each side of the street with an additional requirement for the driveway 10% per foot from the property line, seconded by Council Member Smith. The motion to amend failed.

Council Members, Director Raymond and Murph Hudson with Urban Engineering discussed the following topics: a Council Member's suggestion to table this item to allow the developer time to consider making changes; sidewalks on both sides of the streets are not a zoning requirement, but a platting requirement; and the plat doesn't change if sidewalks are added.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

The applicant, Murph Hudson with Urban Engineering reiterated that zoning requirements differ from platting requirements regarding sidewalk and right-of way.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Smith made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented by staff, seconded by Council Member Martinez. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

- Aye:** 6 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina and Council Member Smith
- Nay:** 3 - Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Lerma and Council Member Pusley
- Abstained:** 0

O. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

P. FIRST READING ORDINANCES: (ITEMS 18-24)

- 18. [21-0501](#) Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a \$15,000.00 grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department Web Emergency Operations Center operations; and appropriating \$15,000.00 into the Fire Grants Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 18.

Fire Chief Robert Rocha stated this ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a \$15,000 grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Web Emergency Operations.

A Council Member and Chief Rocha discussed the following topics: a Council Member's request for funding sources for Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council.

Council Member Pusley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Lerma. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

- Aye:** 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith
- Abstained:** 0

- 19. [21-0506](#) Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of an \$11,137.00 grant from the Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council for the Corpus Christi Fire Department EMS operations; and appropriating \$11,137.00 into the Ambulance Grants Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 19.

Fire Chief Robert Rocha stated that the purpose of this item is to authorize the acceptance of an \$11,137 grant for EMS operations.

There were no comments or questions from the Council.

Council Member Pusley made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Lerma. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

20. [21-0507](#) Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$838.42 from the State of Texas - Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education account; and appropriating \$838.42 into the Fire Grants Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 20.

Fire Chief Robert Rocha stated that this item authorizes the acceptance of \$838.42 for the training of three police certified arson investigators in the fire department.

There were no comments or questions from the Council.

Council Member Molina made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Barrera. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

21. [21-0410](#) Ordinance declaring four City owned vacant lots located at 429 Marguerite Street, 502 18th Street, 508 18th Street and 2034 Mary Street as surplus property, authorizing sale to the public, and authorizing execution of the deeds and any related documents necessary to complete the sale and conveyance of the properties.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 21.

Council Members, Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds and City Manager Peter Zanoni discussed the following topics: the City currently owns these four properties that have no current or future use for any City purpose; and the potential buyer of these properties may benefit the City's future office space.

Council Member Barrera made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Molina. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

23. [21-0567](#) Ordinance approving the addition of six full-time positions to the Parks and Recreation Department budget for additional Bayshore Parks Enforcement Officers with a one-time purchase of equipment and the appropriation of \$432,956 from the State Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund for costs associated with increasing staff presence and security in the Bayshore parks.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 23.

Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Sarah Munoz presented information on the following topics: background; staffing recommendation; compliance officer overview; essential functions (from JAQ) funding; staff addition options; year 1 estimated costs; year 2 estimated costs; illustrative schedule; additional safety measures at Bayfront Parks; current camera layout at Cole Park; proposed camera layout at Cole Park; and staff recommends approval.

Council Members, Interim Director Munoz and City Manager Zanoni discussed the following topics: all parks along the Bayfront will be included; and there are two existing park enforcement officers that monitor inland parks.

Council Member Barrera made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Hunter. This Ordinance was passed on first reading and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Abstained: 0

24. [21-0225](#) Ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances regarding Animal Care and Control by adding and clarifying definitions, creating and revising sections including microchipping registration, failure to reclaim pets, impoundment of abandoned or unrestrained animals, dangerous and aggressive dogs, adequate sheltering of canines, and the feeding of animals; providing for severance, publication, and establishing an effective date of the new laws.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 24.

Animal Care Services Program Manager Joel Skidmore presented information on the

following topics: mission statement; Corpus Christi Animal Care Services Division; what is our goal at Animal Care Services; Corpus Christi Chapter 6 Ordinances; modified definitions to support ordinance changes; what are the identified animal related issues in Corpus Christi; proposed amendments and additions focused on owner responsibility; resolving neglect; and resolving nuisances.

Council Members, Program Manager Skidmore, and Assistant City Attorney Gabriel Rodriguez discussed the following topics: the officer needs to use their discretion whether to issue a notice to the pet owner; a Council Member's request to broaden the meaning of discretion; a Council Member's request to re-word the ordinance under section 6-163; the City is planning free microchip events with no annual registration fee; and currently there are no issues with puppy mills in Corpus Christi.

Mayor Guajardo made a motion to amend the ordinance to broaden the language under sections 6-103(f) and 6-163 and allow Animal Care Services Manager to use discretion on a case by case basis, seconded by Council Member Molina. The motion was approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Barrera, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Lerma, Council Member Martinez, Council Member Molina, Council Member Pusley and Council Member Smith

Nay: 1 - Council Member Hunter

Abstained: 0

Q. BRIEFINGS:

R. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEM 25)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Executive Session Item 25. The Council went into Executive Session at 1:28 p.m. The Council returned from Executive Session at 2:20 p.m.

25. [21-0572](#) **Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.071** and Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 1.05 to consult with attorneys concerning legal issues related to *Application of AEP Texas Inc to amend its Distribution Cost Recovery Factor* at the Public Utility Commission.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

S. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned the meeting at 4:47 p.m.

REQUEST FOR CALL BACK FORM

City of Corpus Christi

Boards, Commissions and Committees

Enter either the name of the Board, Commission or Committee: City Council

DATE OF MEETING (mm/dd/yy): 05/18/21

NAME: Carrie Meyer

ADDRESS: 4401 Gulfbreeze Blvd.

CITY: Corpus Christi STATE: TX ZIP: 78402

TOPIC: American Rescue Plan Act - North Beach Eco Park

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER (if applicable): _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR CALL BACK: 361-442-0628

Sarah Brunkenhoefer

From: CitySecretary
Sent: Friday, May 14, 2021 8:08 AM
To: Rebecca Huerta
Cc: Norma Duran; Sarah Brunkenhoefer
Subject: FW: Public Input: 05-18-2021 - Libby Averyt

FYI.

Thank you,
Aly Berlanga

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Public Comment & Input Form

Date of Meeting	05-18-2021
Name	Libby Averyt
Address	Street Address: 430 Grant Pl City: Corpus Christi State / Province: TX Postal / Zip Code: 78411
Topic	American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
Agenda Item Number	General public comment
Describe Feedback:	Please see the attached letter regarding city funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

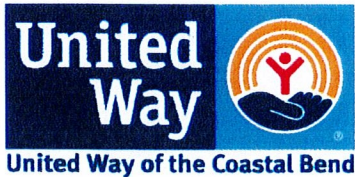
Respectfully,

Libby Averyt
United Way of the Coastal Bend

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May 13, 2021

Hon. Mayor Paulette Guajardo
Corpus Christi City Council
1201 Leopard St.
Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Re: Federal Economic Stimulus Package – American Rescue Plan Act

Dear Mayor Guajardo and City Councilmembers,

After listening to the Council's May 11, 2021, presentation and discussion regarding the American Rescue Plan Act funds, it's clear you have some difficult decisions ahead of you. I applaud city staff's efforts to fully understand federal guidelines and efforts to discern the most effective use of the funds. Please know, too, that my advocacy for local nonprofit businesses is not a criticism of the ongoing significant improvements being made throughout Corpus Christi under the leadership of City Manager Peter Zaroni and the City Council. I applaud you for those efforts and appreciate your commitment to our community. Still, I respectfully ask that you consider the following as you further discuss best uses for the ARPA funds:

- It's true that the City of Corpus Christi provided some grants in 2020 to help nonprofit businesses with their own administrative costs – \$500,000. Other money received by a few nonprofits was for direct client services – not administrative needs left unfunded due to fundraising shortfalls caused by COVID. At the time of those grants, we had more than \$1.2 million in requests from small nonprofits (with annual revenues of \$3 million or less), and several nonprofits still report COVID-related funding shortfalls.
- Recurring expenses vs. one-time expenses as described in the May 11 meeting – I believe any future grants provided to local nonprofit businesses should be considered as replacement funds for lost revenue due specifically to COVID. I'm not suggesting that some nonprofits aren't managed well enough to fund recurring expenses and therefore, the city should subsidize them. I'm suggesting that some nonprofits have experienced a time-limited dip in revenues specifically due to the pandemic, and that those revenue streams will slowly return as we enter a post-COVID time. Those one-time losses are similar to the city's COVID-related lost revenues from sales taxes, utility fees, etc., which you may replace with ARPA funds.

Again, I appreciate the challenging task in front of you and the opportunity to provide additional input on the discussion. Regardless of the outcome, you have my respect and gratitude for embracing the difficult work of moving Corpus Christi forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Libby Averyt".

Libby Averyt
President & CEO

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Norma Duran

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Date of Meeting	05-18-2021
Name	Dawn Abrams
Address	Street Address: 627 Arrow Rd City: Corpus Christi State / Province: TX Postal / Zip Code: 78336
Topic	Spay and Neuter
Agenda Item Number	21-0225
Describe Feedback:	This change in the ordinance is extremely awful and doesn't forgive a mistake by the owner of said animal. A council should not be allowed to automatically mutalate an animal if it's gotten out of the yard by mistake/accidentally. The current ordinance is bad enough with the 2 strikes but at least your animal won't have it's organs removed . Some of these animals are prized hunting or show animals that require the keeping of reproductive organs, just because they get lost once doesn't give a counsel the right to rip them apart. Furthermore since pets are by law property , I would think you could be held liable for damages done to any animal you surgically cut up. I highly recommend and hope you just leave well enough alone and maybe put all this misplaced energy into the BORDER CRISIS !!!!

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