



City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

11:30 AM

Council Chambers

Addendums may be added on Friday.

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

Mayor Guajardo called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

B. Invocation to be given by Chuck Goodwin, Fish for Life Ministries.

Chuck Goodwin, Fish for Life Ministries, gave the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Texas Flag to be led by Robert Ramsey, Senior at Richard King High School.

Robert Ramsey, Senior at Richard King High School, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Texas Flag.

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

City Secretary Rebecca 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 Zaroni, City Attorney Miles Risley and City Secretary Rebecca Huerta

Present: 8 - Mayor Paulette Guajardo, Council Member Gil Hernandez, Council Member Michael Hunter, Council Member Mike Pusley, Council Member Dan Suckley, Council Member Everett Roy, Council Member Jim Klein, and Council Member Sylvia Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Roland Barrera

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

1. [23-0701](#) Buc Days 2023 (May 4 - May 14) Presented by President and CEO Johnny Philipello of the Buccaneer Commission

President and CEO Johnny Philipello of the Buccaneer Commission presented information on the 85th Buc Days as follows: festival grounds; May 4 dunking of the Mayor; May 5-6 Professional Bull Riders; May 6-7 Wings Over South Texas; May 6 at 8:00 p.m. parade; May 10-13 rodeo; June 4 broadcast of rodeo; May 13 Buc Days 5K; May 13 Buc Days Children Parade; parking spaces; pickup/dropoff locations; May 13 Robotics Rodeo and Lego League; and high school leadership program.

2. [23-0757](#) Introduction of My Team Triumph: Wings of Texas Corpus Christi Chapter presented by Michelle Jones, Board President

City Manager Peter Zanoni introduced Board President and founder of Wings of Texas, Michelle Jones. This is a non-profit organization founded in 2014 to assist individuals with disabilities to be more active. The City received the Spirit of the ADA award. This program provides free exercise classes, along with 5K and 10K runs. State Representative Todd Hunter sponsors these races.

Ms. Michelle Jones announced that this program includes cycling, triathlons, a summer bowling team, a Captain's ball, and stuffed animal drive. A 5K fundraiser will be held September 30. A Heroes Challenge will be held the night before for disabled persons.

3. [23-0705](#) Harbor Bridge Parks Development Strategy

City Manager Peter Zanoni stated that the City entered into a four-party agreement with TxDOT, the Federal Highway Administration, Port of Corpus Christi (The Port), and the Corpus Christi Housing Authority. As part of the agreement, the City is required to make improvements to four parks.

Assistant City Manager Neiman Young presented information on the Harbor Bridge Parks Development Strategy as follows: area map; proposed connectivity; Washington Coles Park; total project cost \$9.2 million; T.C. Ayers Park; aerial view; total project cost \$1.6 million; Ben Garza Park; total project cost \$2 million; Dr. H.J. Williams Park; and total project cost \$1.4 million.

Council Members, City Manager Zanoni, and Assistant City Manager Young discussed the following topics: \$6 million is available to fund this project; the City will be exploring additional funding from Hotel Occupancy Taxes in the Bond 2024 program, as well as grants, the Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Port; the Community Action Board (CAB) was created as part of this agreement, therefore improvements require their approval; the Washington Coles Park could spur in economic development due to higher traffic once this park is complete; a suggestion to add more shade structures to the parks; whether this agreement includes the development of the outdoor museum in the Hillcrest area; how is this project incorporated with the area development plan; and City staff are advised to contact industries and corporations for assistance in funding these projects.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Steve Klepper, 317 Sunset Ave., spoke about storm water fees and the lack of transparency regarding water rates.

Shawn Flanagan, 4218 Herndon St., spoke in opposition to an environmental and sustainability department.

Alissa Mejia, 41 Camden Place and Thomas Cronnon, 3738 Nahid Court, spoke about investing in more walk and bike trails for the City.

Patricia Reinhardt, 317 Clifford St., spoke about litter throughout the community and at retail stores.

John Hendricks, 622 Texas Ave., stated that the maintenance of the Rose Hill Cemetery is not satisfactory.

Maggie Peacock, 7037 Islander Way, spoke in support of an environmental and sustainability department.

Dustin Cronan, 5026 Yorktown Blvd., advocated for autism awareness month.

Kathy Wemer, 518 Peerman Place, invited Council members to a dedication of Old Bay View Cemetery on May 6 at 10 a.m.

Brian Keeble, 4350 Ocean Dr., spoke about excellent customer service from City staff.

Victoria Holland, 235 Ohio Ave., spoke about protecting industry in the City and in support of desalination.

John Weber, 609 Naples St., spoke about the City's mission versus the Port of Corpus Christi's mission, and about water conservation.

Al Arreola, 301 Louise Dr., announced that National Lemonade Day is May 6, and that there will be lemonade stands throughout the City.

Ginny Cross, 602 N. Staples St., spoke in support of the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG). (Item 5)

Shirin Delsooz, 6030 Tapestry Dr., spoke about better alternative modes of transportation in the City.

Catherine Barnes, 520 South Chaparral St., spoke in opposition to a sustainability department.

Lamont Taylor, 522 Hancock Ave., stated that the Hillcrest area should be considered a neighborhood, refuting a recent Caller-Times editorial.

Mary Breen, 637 FM 1873 George West, TX, spoke about issues with theft in the downtown area.

G. BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: (NONE)**H. EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:****I. CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 4 - 10)****Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Consent Agenda. Council Members pulled Item 8 for individual consideration.

Council Member Suckley moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item 8, seconded by Council Member Hunter. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

4. [23-0736](#) Approval of the April 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

The Minutes were approved on the consent agenda.

Consent - Second Reading Ordinances

5. [23-0678](#) Ordinance accepting \$1,611,159.39 grant from the Office of the Governor from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission for the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) with a cash match of \$387,000; appropriating \$1,611,159.39 from the Community Development Grant Fund and Texas Military Preparedness Commission Fund to provide funding for wastewater collection system line & manhole replacement in support of Naval Air Station Corpus Christi; and amending the FY 2023 Capital Budget.

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

Enactment No: 033025

Consent - Contracts and Procurement

6. [23-0512](#) Motion authorizing execution of a three-year service agreement with Rittgers' Services, Inc. dba Greatstate Transmission, of Corpus Christi, in an amount not to exceed \$392,600.00 for offsite vehicle transmission repairs, with FY 2023 funding of \$54,527.78 from the Fleet Maintenance Service Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2023-059

Consent - Capital Projects

7. [23-0627](#) Motion authorizing a construction contract to Tri Con Works, LLC of Baytown Texas, for the construction of Cefe Valenzuela Landfill Gas Collection System 3C in an amount not to exceed \$822,376.50 and authorize a professional services contract amendment No. 1 to SCS Engineers, Houston Texas, to provide Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) services in an amount of \$125,791.00 for a restated fee not to exceed amount of \$154,291.00, located outside of city limits, with FY 2023 funding available from Certificate of Obligation.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2023-060

8. [23-0352](#) Motion awarding a Master Services Agreement for Geotechnical Testing and Construction Materials Testing to Professional Service Industries, Inc., Tolunay-Wong Engineers, Inc., Terracon Consultants, Inc., and Rock Engineering and Testing Laboratory, Inc., all from Corpus Christi, Texas, in an amount up to \$1,000,000.00 each, with a one-year renewal option to be administratively authorized for a total amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 each, with projects located Citywide, and FY 2023 funding available from the Capital Program and Bond Program.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 8.

A Council Member and Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds discussed the following topic: a Council Member expressed his concern about the City owning the geotechnical testing and the construction materials testing because of possible liability to the City.

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

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2023-061

General Consent Items

9. [23-0477](#) Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for \$822,431.00 to the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority for funding for salaries, benefits,

overtime, and travel for four sworn officers and three civilians in the Corpus Christi Police Department's Motor Vehicle Theft Unit, with a City cash match of \$169,372 and an in-kind match of \$714,806, for a total project cost of \$1,706,609; designating the Chief of Police as the authorized official and the Deputy Chief of Police of the Criminal Investigations Division as Program Director, and Director of Finance, or designee, as financial officer for this grant.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033026

Contest - First Reading Ordinances

10. [23-0709](#) Ordinance approving the amended Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #3 Project & Financing Plans as approved by the Board of Directors of Reinvestment Zone Number Three, City of Corpus Christi, Texas on March 28, 2023, which amends the Downtown Living Initiative and Streetscape and Safety Improvement programs, adds eligible projects for public space, right-of-way, and streetscape development, and adds an additional incentive program named the Targeted Office to Residential Conversion Program.

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

J. **RECESS FOR LUNCH**

Mayor Guajardo recessed the Council meeting for lunch at 1:35 p.m. Executive Session Items 22-24 were held during the lunch recess. Mayor Guajardo reconvened the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

K. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: (NONE)**

L. **PUBLIC HEARINGS: (ITEM 11)**

11. [23-0606](#) Case No. 0323-01, Citgo Refining and Chemicals Company, LP (District 1). Ordinance rezoning property at or near 1802 Nueces Bay Boulevard from the "RS-6" Single-Family 6 District to the "ON" Neighborhood Office District; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval of the change of zoning from the "RS-6" Single-Family 6 District to the "ON" Neighborhood Office District.)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 11.

Director of Development Services Al Raymond presented information on the following topics: zoning and land use; public notification; staff analysis and recommendation; and planning commission and staff recommend approval.

A Council Member spoke in support of this project and the proposed rezoning.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

Consultant Randy Flowers, representing the applicant, spoke in support of rezoning this property.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

Aye: 7 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 2 - Council Member Barrera and Council Member Hunter

Abstained: 0

M. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS: (ITEMS 12 - 20)

12. [23-0669](#) Resolution amending the City's FY 2020-2025 Infrastructure Management Plan work approach to focus more on street rehabilitation addressing more neighborhood streets at a faster pace.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 12.

Director of Public Works Ernesto De La Garza presented information on the following topics: hot mix plants; IMP program goals; current IMP productivity; impact to productivity; analysis of current situation; pavement treatments; recommendation; target productivity; outcome; and summary.

Council Members, Director De La Garza, City Manager Peter Zanoni, and Assistant City Manager Neiman Young discussed the following topics: a request for data for the residential street reconstruction program; the pavement-only approach could cost the City more in the long run if streets are not repaired correctly the first time; staff is addressing a contract for curbs and gutters independent from the pavement contract; neighborhood streets will be added to the list, along with input from the five districts; the new streets list will be brought to Council within a month; curbs, gutters and utilities will be evaluated individually; ensure that street changes are updated on the City's website; and a request for staff to brief Council about the status of this program in approximately three months.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment

Council Member Campos moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council

Member Pusley. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033027

13. [23-0639](#) Resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution of 13 professional services contracts for Civil Engineering Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$14,938,000.00 with the ten top scoring engineering consultants for the Bond 2022 Streets projects, located Citywide, with funding available from the Streets Bond 2022 Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 13.

Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds stated that this item authorizes the negotiation and execution of 13 professional contracts with ten engineering consultants for Bond 2022 projects.

A Council Member and Director Edmonds discussed the following topics: a Council Member's concern that construction does not begin until six months after the execution of a contract; and the expected time frame for the 13 contracts to be processed should be about three to four months.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Pusley moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Suckley. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033028

14. [23-0632](#) Resolution authorizing an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for five (5) Highway Safety Improvements Program projects to install school zone improvements and mid-block crosswalks located in Council Districts 2 and 5, with the City's local participation in the amount of

\$24,206.60 of the total project value of \$178,542.79 for reimbursement of direct costs with FY 2023 funding available from Street Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 14.

A Council Member requested that staff include a map of improvements in the agenda memo.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Hunter moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Campos. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033029

15. [23-0699](#) Ordinance authorizing the construction contract to Fulton Construction Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, for the restoration of the Water Gardens in an amount not to exceed \$7,651,481.00, with funding available from Seawall Capital Improvement Fund; appropriating \$3,500,000.00 from the Seawall unreserved fund balance to the Seawall Capital Improvement Fund; and amending the FY 2023 Capital Improvement Budget.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 15.

Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds stated that this item amends the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and authorizes the second phase of the design build contract for the restoration of the Water Garden project.

Council Members, City Manager Peter Zaroni, Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds, and Director of Finance and Procurement Heather Hurlbert discussed the following topics: the improvements to the water feature are funded through the seawall fund; the desire for a different construction company to be utilized; the 1/8 cent for professional services is allocated to the arena; a Council Member's request to ensure ADA accessibility; this water feature is iconic to the community and benefits the City by bringing in tourists; the importance that the Water Gardens be maintained regularly; and the goal is nine months to complete this project.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye: 7 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Nay: 1 - Council Member Hernandez

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

16. [23-0603](#) Motion awarding a construction contract to CSA Construction, Inc., for O.N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant (ONSWTP) Clearwell No. 3 project, in an amount of \$36,454,000.00 for construction of a new 10-Million Gallon Clearwell No. 3, located in Council District 1, with funding available from the Water CIP Fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 16.

Director of Water Utilities Drew Molly presented information on the following topics: overview; project scope; CSA Construction Inc.; and project schedule.

A Council Member and Director Molly discussed the following topics: only one bid was received for this project; and this project is funded with the water rates.

City Manager Peter Zanoni stated that this is a great news item in that this investment brings about 200 million gallons of water per day.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2023-062

17. [23-0290](#) Motion awarding a construction contract to Gourley Contractors, LLC., Corpus Christi, TX, for the Council Chambers Modernization project to provide better accommodations for the public, located in Council District 1, in an amount of \$918,481.00, with FY 2023 funding available from the Certificates of Obligation fund and Public Education Grant fund.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 17.

Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds and Director of Information Technology Peter Collins presented information on the following topics: project scope; front view; rear view; dais view; floor plan; council chamber audio/visual replacement; council chambers audio/visual; and project schedule.

Council Members, Director Edmonds and Director Collins discussed the following topics: a Council Member's concern about the chosen color scheme; all supplies will be in stock before construction begins; and a Council Member's request for more leg room at the dais.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2023-063

18. [23-0518](#) Resolution authorizing renewal of property insurance, including All Risk, Flood, Named Storm, Wind/Hail, Earthquake, and Equipment Breakdown insurance, through Carlisle Insurance Agency, Broker of Record, for upcoming policy year (May 5, 2023 - May 4, 2024) in exchange for an annual premium not to exceed \$4,540,615.35.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 18.

City Attorney Miles Risley stated that insurance costs have increased substantially along the entire coast.

Council Members, City Attorney Risley and City Manager Zanoni discussed the following topics: the biggest change is that policy limits go from \$150 million to \$50 million for flood, named storms and all risk; the deductible will increase to \$250,000 across the board; named storm deductible will be three percent of the total value of each building impacted; the City has never exceeded the \$150 million limit; the total insured value for all the City property is \$854 million; the City would get less proceeds from the insurance company in the event of a catastrophe, but federal funds would be available; and a comparative analysis was completed for the City of Houston regarding the policy limits.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Hunter moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Pusley. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033030

19. [23-0706](#) Motion authorizing a professional services agreement with McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for legal services in connection with the repurposing of the Type A sale tax for a convention center project.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 19.

Director of Finance and Procurement Heather Hurlbert stated this item is for approval of a professional services contract with McCall, Parkhurst, and Horton, LLP for legal services in support of the possible development of a Conference Center Hotel, the expansion and improvement of the Convention Center, and possible repurposing of Type A sales tax.

Council Members, Director Hurlbert, and Attorney Clay Binford with McCall, Parkhurst & Horton LLP discussed the following topics: staff is proposing that the funding be repurposed for convention center improvements; a Council Member's concern about the language regarding seawall funding; voter-authorization for the 1/8 cent sales tax needs to be completed by 2025; legal services will assist with finding other funding sources to restore the convention center; and the 1/8 cent sales tax will be dedicated to the entire convention center as opposed to only the arena.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2023-064

20. [23-0564](#) Resolution authorizing the acquisition of 38 vehicles and equipment of which 31 are replacements and seven are additions, by various departments; 31 units will be outright purchases and seven units will be lease purchases through JP Morgan, for a total of \$4,579,313.60 with such items to be acquired in the manner, at the amounts, and from the sources stated, with FY 2023 funding in the amount of \$2,768,914.55 and the remaining balance of \$1,810,399.05 for the lease purchase items will be funded through the annual budget process.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 20.

Council Members and Director of Asset Management Charles Mendoza discussed the following topics: a Council Member asked staff to consider looking into purchasing electric vehicles; and the importance of performing a financial analysis and obtaining infrastructure cost before considering electric vehicles.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Pusley moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Hunter. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Hunter, Council Member Pusley, Council Member Suckley, Council Member Roy, Council Member Klein and Council Member Campos

Absent: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033031

N. BRIEFINGS: (ITEM 21)

21. [23-0663](#) Corpus Christi Regional Economic Development Corporation (CCREDC) Quarterly Update to City Council (First Calendar Quarter of 2023)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 21.

Interim Chief Executive Officer Mike Culbertson with Corpus Christi Regional Economic Development Corporation (CCREDC) presented information on the following topics: mission statement; Corpus Christi M/A housing report; sales tax collection allocations; MSA unemployment rates; employment by sector for selected month/Corpus Christi MSA; CCREDC project pipeline; area projects net taxable value; CCREDC 2021-2022 projects; business attraction trade shows; and other events.

Council Members and Interim Chief Executive Officer Culbertson discussed the following topics: mining, manufacturing and construction employment rates have decreased about 1.5 percent since 2020; green hydrogen products are versatile and common in the community; currently there are 6,000 vacant jobs in the Corpus Christi area; and a Council Member's concern that there is not enough training available to fill empty positions.

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEMS 22 - 24)

Mayor Guajardo referred to Executive Session Items 22-24. The Council went into Executive Session at 1:35 p.m. The Council returned from Executive Session at 3:33 p.m.

22. [23-0733](#) **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 the Interim City Auditor and Texas Government Code § 551.074 (personnel matters) to deliberate the evaluation of the former Interim City Auditor succeeded by the current City Auditor.**

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

23. [23-0735](#) **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 the development and/or purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property in the general area of Mary Street, Morris Street, 19th Street, and/or 20th Street, and areas in the vicinity thereof and Texas Government Code § 551.072 to discuss and deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of the aforementioned areas of said real property.**

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

24. [23-0760](#) **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 legislation pending or contemplated in the 88th Texas Legislature.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

P. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned this meeting at 6:29 p.m