

### **City of Corpus Christi**

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### **Meeting Minutes**

### **City Council**

Tuesday, June 24, 2025 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 11:31 a.m.

B. Invocation to be given by Reverend Dr. Chip Blackshear with First Presbyterian of Corpus Christi.

Reverend Dr. Chip Blackshear with First Presbyterian of Corpus Christi gave the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Texas Flag to be led by Joshua William Martinez, 6th grader from Tuloso Midway Elementary School.

Joshua William Martinez, 6th grader from Tuloso Midway Elementary 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: Deputy City Manager Michael Rodriguez, City Attorney Miles Risley and City Secretary Rebecca Huerta

Present:

 Council Member Roland Barrera, Council Member Carolyn Vaughn, Council Member Gil Hernandez, Council Member Sylvia Campos, Mayor Paulette Guajardo, Council Member Eric Cantu, Council Member Mark Scott, Council Member Kaylynn Paxson, and Council Member Everett Roy

#### E. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS / UPDATE ON CITY OPERATIONS: (ITEM 1)

1. <u>25-0950</u> Update on Alternative Water Supply Projects

Chief Operating Officer of Corpus Christi Water Drew Molly presented information on the following topics: reservoir water levels; South Texas Water Authority groundwater project; effluent reuse project; and additional water supply project updates.

Council Members and COO Molly discussed the following topics: an official permit from

TCEQ is required because the City is not protected on the water going into the wells; currently three wells are operational; the Mary Rhodes Pipeline dropped to 55 MGD, but a new pump is being installed and should be restored to 70 MGD within 48 hours; the Nueces River Wells were sampled, and are now ready to be used as a source of water; the effluent reuse project locations have benefited ecosystems, which are included in the scope of services; the possibility of narrowing the effluent study down to nine months; four entities use the Nueces River Wells as their primary source of water, so a concern with liability if the City impairs their ability to produce water; and the normal amount of Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) depends on several factors.

#### F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Stephen Klepper, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about the City's upcoming budget and fees for services.

David Lehfeldt, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about cutting recycling services to reduce budget costs.

Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, expressed concern about the naming of the American Bank Center.

John Hanzalik, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about the importance of water and in support of moving forward with the desalination project.

Abcede Fuentes, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about the lack of access to quality education, and to expand housing and mental health services for the youth.

Jason Hale, Corpus Christi, TX, presented information regarding desalination and a concern with GHD's model domain.

Isabel Araiza, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke in opposition to the desalination pilot project and a concern with the cost, and in support of Item 19.

Adam Rios, Corpus Christi, TX, shared a personal experience about OVG360, who manages the American Bank Center.

Rachel Caballero, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about canceling the contract with OVG360, expressed concern about Item 17, and spoke in support of Item 19.

Joshua Fraedrick, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke in support of the community's ability to ask questions to Council Members during the public comment period and in opposition to changing the public comment period from noon to 5:30 p.m.

The following citizens spoke in support of Item 19: Chloe Torres, Corpus Christi, TX,

Jake Hernandez, Corpus Christi, TX, and Aline Trejo Chavez, Corpus Christi, TX.

Laramie Fain, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke in support of Item 19 and concern about the Hillcrest rezoning.

Andrea Puyol, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke in support of Item 19 and in opposition to desalination.

The following citizens submitted a written public comment which is attached to the minutes: Eli McKay, Corpus Christi, TX, Mark Muenster, Corpus Christi, TX, Amanda Breland, Corpus Christi, TX, Joy Wright, Corpus Christi, TX, and John Weber, Corpus Christi, TX.

#### G. BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: (NONE)

#### H. <u>EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:</u>

#### I. CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 2 -16)

#### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Consent Agenda. Items 2, 6 and 13 were pulled for individual consideration.

Council Member Paxson moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Items 2, 6 and 13, seconded by Council Member Scott. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

 Gouncil Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Consent - Second Reading Ordinances

25-0591 Ordinance amending the Roadway Master Plan Map and the Urban Transportation Plan Map of Mobility CC, transportation elements of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi, by modifying County Road 22 between SH286 and County Road 43 from an A2 Arterial to a C1 Collector, modifying County Road 22 between County Road 43 and a proposed P1 Parkway from a C3 Collector to a C1 Collector, and modifying a planned road between County Road 22 and County Road 20A from a C3 Collector to a C1 Collector; amending related elements of the Comprehensive Plan of the City; and providing for publication.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 2.

Interim Assistant City Manager Ernie De La Garza presented information on the following topics: approved recommendations; updated recommendations; and proposed amendment.

Council Members and Interim Assistant City Manager De La Garza discussed the following topic: a request for the construction of the road to be in the infrastructure design manual, but the right-of-way descriptions should be transferred to the Unified Development Code (UDC).

Council Member Hernandez moved to amend the ordinance per staff's recommendation to modify Road #1 from C3 to C1, seconded by Council Member Vaughn. This Ordinance was passed on second reading as amended and approved with the following vote:

Aye:

 Gouncil Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033670

3. 25-0521 Ordinance accepting Public Health Infrastructure Grant for \$250,000.00 from the Department of State Health Services to enhance and expand Laboratory Information Management System infrastructure through November 30, 2027; and appropriating \$250,000.00 in the Health Grant Fund.

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

Enactment No: 033671

4. 25-0601 Ordinance authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with an estimated payment amount of \$700,000.00 to the City of Corpus Christi from the Texas General Land Office to provide beach water sampling in Nueces, Aransas, and San Patricio counties under the Texas Beach Watch Program for a five-year period beginning in FY25 and ending August 31, 2030.

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

Enactment No: 033672

**5.** <u>25-0845</u> Ordinance adding annexed areas to City Council District 1 and District 3.

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

Enactment No: 033673

6. 25-0899 Ordinance appointing Gabriel Rodriguez as Division 1 Judge, Jason Supplee as Division 2 Judge, David Walsh as Division 3 Judge, William Gregory "Bill" Bonilla as Division 4 Judge, and George Picha as Division 5 Judge of the Municipal Court; appointing Christopher E. Matt as part-time judge #1, Douglas

K. DeFratus as part-time judge #2, William Holt Feemster as part-time judge #3, Mara Schechter as part-time judge #4, Mario A. Olivarez as part-time judge #5, and Robert Reyna as part-time judge #6 of the Municipal Court; determining salary; providing a two year term of office; and declaring an effective date.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 6.

This Item was pulled to remove Arnold McAdams as part-time judge.

Council Member Roy moved to amend the ordinance to remove Arnold McAdams, seconded by Council Member Vaughn. This Ordinance was passed on second reading as amended and approved with the following vote:

Aye:

 Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Nay: 1 - Council Member Hernandez

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033674

Consent - Contracts and Procurement

7. 25-0877 Motion authorizing the purchase of 450 new flame-resistant Tecasafe Plus wildland fire protective equipment (pants) from Casco Industries, of Houston, Texas, through the BuyBoard Cooperative, for the Corpus Christi Fire Department for a total amount of \$112,625.00, with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$112,625.00 from the General Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-077

8. 25-0761 Motion authorizing the purchase of one replacement 2024 Ford F-150 Police Responder from Silsbee Ford, of Silsbee, Texas, through the TIPS Cooperative, for a total amount of \$51,397.53 to be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department for the Operation Stonegarden Program (drug and human trafficking), with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$50,000.00 available through the Police Grants Fund and \$1,397.53 from the General Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-078

9. 25-0821 Resolution authorizing the purchase of a new 2025 Low Profile Deck Trailer from Mobile Lift Concepts, of Corona, California, for on-site vehicle inspections and catalytic converter investigations for the Corpus Christi Police Department's

Auto Theft Task Force, for a total amount of \$59,000.00, with FY 2025 funding from the Police Grants Fund.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033675

10. 25-0464 Resolution ratifying the purchase of one replacement Western Star 12-yard dump truck and the lease-purchase of three additional and four replacement Western Star 12-yard dump trucks due to the originally ordered Freightliner model 12-yard dump trucks not being available in inventory, from Doggett Freightliner, of Austin, Texas, through the Buyboard Cooperative, for Corpus Christi Water for the same total price previously authorized by Resolution 033175.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033676

11. 25-0838 Motion authorizing execution of a three-year professional services agreement, with two one-year options, with CAS-Claims Administrative Services, Inc., dba Claims Administrative Services, of Tyler, Texas, in an amount up to \$675,000.00, with a potential up to \$1,125,000.00 if options are exercised, for workers' compensation claims third party administrator services, with FY 2026 funding of \$225,000.00 from the Risk Fund, subject to approval of the annual budget.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-079

Consent - Capital Projects

12. 25-0903 Motion authorizing the approval of Change Order No. 1 with Clark Pipeline Services, LLC., of Corpus Christi, Texas, for the Ship Channel Waterline and Gas Line Crossing Project, in the amount of \$1,288,049.28 with at least 50% of the water line funding from the Port of Corpus Christi for a total amount not to exceed \$13,214,182.72 with FY 2025 funding available from the Water Capital Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-080

General Consent Items

13. 25-0815 Resolution to authorize Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Agreed Order in Docket No. 2021-0986-MWD-E which allows for improvements at Oso Wastewater Treatment Plant in lieu of \$236,955.00 administrative penalty.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 13.

Council Members and Director of Water System Infrastructure Wesley Nebgen discussed the following topics: a delay of maintenance items could impact the wastewater treatment plants, therefore maintenance is being performed on all treatment plants in the City; and whether an inspection was scheduled for preventative maintenance.

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

Aye:

9 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033677

14. 25-0972 Resolution authorizing a grant application for the FY 2026 Beach Cleaning and Maintenance Assistance Program from the Texas General Land Office for \$1,815,778.14 to provide beach cleaning and maintenance on North Padre Island and Mustang Island.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033678

Consent - First Reading Ordinances

15. 25-0822 Ordinance authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy, for overtime for two sworn officers and lease payments on two vehicles for identification and disruption of narcotics trafficking as part of the FY 2025 Texas Coastal Corridor High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Initiative in an amount of \$41,800.00; and appropriating \$41,800.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

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

16. 25-0923 Ordinance ratifying the acceptance of an amendment in the amount of \$6,329 increasing the HOME Investment Partnerships Program - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) grant M-21-MP-48-0502 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and amending the Fiscal Year 2025 budget by appropriating \$6,329 into Grant Fund 9045.

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

#### J. RECESS FOR LUNCH

Mayor Guajardo recessed the Council meeting for lunch at 1:52 p.m. Executive Session Items 23-25 were held during the lunch recess. Mayor Guajardo reconvened the meeting at 2:49 p.m.

#### K. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

#### L. <u>INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS: (ITEMS 17 - 20)</u>

Resolution finding the authorization and purchase of the properties by the Corpus Christi Housing Authority related to the apartment complexes of Armon Bay, Azure, Churchill Square, Ocean Palms Apartments, Sandcastle, Sawgrass, South Lake Ranch, Stoneleigh Apartment, The Icon, The Summit, The Veranda, Tuscany Bay South, Villas of Ocean Drive, Arts at Ocean Drive, Caspian Apartments, Gulf Breeze, Shadow Bend, Bay Vista, Bay Vista Point, Baypoint, and Solana Vista void by operation of law; and finding the related memorandum of understandings, ground leases, and operating agreements illegal; requesting the Corpus Christi Housing Authority to acknowledge the findings herein and to immediately terminate the void/illegal land acquisitions, related contracts, and actions.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 17.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Corpus Christi Housing Authority CEO Gary Allsup, Corpus Christi, TX, does not believe the purchase of these properties is illegal.

Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, voiced concern about money being taken from the taxpayers, and a request to remove two board members from the Housing Authority Commission.

Rachel Caballero, Corpus Christi, TX, expressed concern about developers trying to avoid tax burdens and the lack of leadership.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Members, City Attorney Miles Risley, and Deputy City Attorney Buck Brice discussed the following topics: how to prove these acquisitions are illegal; this resolution is requesting action from the Housing Authority to remedy these violations; in support of initiatives that benefit the community; the Housing Authority failed to meet procedures for these transactions; the Housing Authority did not contact Legal to discuss this process prior to taking action; the Memorandum of Understanding was a resolution granting authority for the purchase of these properties; in opposition to using the word "illegal" in the resolution; and a suggestion to change "illegal" to "appears illegal."

Council Member Roy moved to amend the resolution to replace "illegal" with "apparently illegal" wherever it appears in the resolution, seconded by Council Member Vaughn. The motion passed unanimously. This Resolution was passed as amended and approved with the following vote:

Aye:

 Gouncil Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033679

**18.** <u>25-0989</u>

Discussion and possible action regarding Oak View Group 360's performance and financial reporting as operator of the Convention Center Complex, including possible termination of contract, returning naming rights authority to the City Council, and directing staff to initiate a new bidding process for arena management services, as requested by Council Members Eric Cantu, Carolyn Vaughn, and Gil Hernandez.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 18.

Council Members, City Attorney Miles Risley, Assistant City Manager Heather Hurlbert, General Manager of OVG360 Daniel Melise, Senior Vice President of OVG360 Liam Weseloh, and President of Venue Management at OVG360 Greg O'Dell discussed the following topics: OVG360 accepted the Hilliard Law Firm's offer based on the total financial impact of the partnership; OVG360 was concerned about choosing Thomas J. Henry in that sponsors may not support the venue and/or events, which could result in lost revenue; Council Members expressed frustration about not choosing the highest bidder for the naming rights; the process of negotiation and evaluation; several factors were considered before making a decision; a request for a performance report from OVG360, as well as quarterly financial reports; a request to allow more local vendors at the facility; the City would be liable for all damages and attorneys' fees if they terminate the contract with OVG360 on or before March 1, 2027; currently there are 22 sponsors and nine suite holders; the convention center's debt is paid in full and the arena's last payment is due August 2025; and a request to add an updated report to an agenda by the end of July.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, expressed concern about being on a wait list for a suite since 2022 at the American Bank Center.

Fonzie Munoz, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about taking OVG360's staff into consideration.

Eloy Salazar, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke about giving the Council the authority to decide on naming rights to make the process fair.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

19. 25-0987 Resolution to rescind Corpus Christi Council Resolution 033396 authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute contracts and amendments for design services or construction materials for the Inner Harbor Seawater Desalination

Treatment Plant Project and acquisition of property, as requested by Council Members Carolyn Vaughn, Eric Cantu, and Gil Hernandez.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 19.

Council Members, Deputy City Manager Michael Rodriguez, Chief Operating Officer of Corpus Christi Water (CCW) Drew Molly, Program Management Office Director for the Inner Harbor Water Treatment Campus (IHWTC) Brett Van Hazel, and Attorney Janet Whitehead discussed the following topics: concerns about lack of transparency regarding what and where the money is being spent for the desalination project; the purpose of this resolution is to not cancel the contract or delay the project; staff and legal need adequate time to determine what the possible consequences could be if the project is delayed; and approving this item could result in increased costs and delays.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Susie Saldana and Bob Paulison, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke in opposition of delaying or stopping the desalination project.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Hernandez moved to amend this resolution as follows: "Resolution to modify Corpus Christi Council Resolution 033396 authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute contracts and amendments for design services or construction materials for the Inner Harbor Seawater Desalination Treatment Plant Project and acquisition of property. SECTION 1. The City Manager is instructed to follow normal procurement procedures for all future purchases, contracts, and amendments for the Inner Harbor Seawater Desalination Treatment Plant Project. SECTION 2. The City Manager shall provide accurate accounting to Council for all funding spent and/or encumbered for the Inner Harbor Seawater Desalination Treatment Plant Project and acquired property. SECTION 3. This resolution is effective July 1, 2025," seconded by Council Member Cantu. This Resolution was passed as substituted and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Council Member Cantu and Council Member Paxson

Nay: 4 - Council Member Barrera, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033680

20. 25-0988 Discussion and possible action regarding an MOU between the City of Corpus Christi and South Texas Water Authority, as requested by Council Members Carolyn Vaughn, Eric Cantu, and Gil Hernandez.

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 20.

Council Members, Deputy City Manager Michael Rodriguez, City Attorney Miles Risley,

County Commissioner John Marez, and Kleberg County Judge Rudy Madrid discussed the following topics: the City has executed the Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas Water Authority (STWA); STWA is pursuing the brackish desalination plant which can produce up to 28 Million Gallons of water per Day (MGD); to ensure all entities are treated equally; the importance of collaborating with partnerships; the time frame to have the plant built is mid 2027; and professionals were hired immediately to start evaluating transactions, risks associated, and types of contracts to be executed.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, thanked Council for their support regarding this item.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

- M. BRIEFINGS: (ITEMS 21 22)
- **21. 25-0919** Briefing on City Proposed London AreaTax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #7

This Item was postponed.

22. 25-0953 Briefing on the Inner Harbor Water Treatment Campus Update

This Item was postponed.

- N. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEMS 23 25)
- 23. 25-0951 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 potential long-term agreement
  with 1PointFive USA, LLC (1P5) to purchase reclaimed water from the City's
  Greenwood Wastewater Treatment Plant and potential easements or other
  property rights to be purchased by 1P5 from the City in areas adjacent to or near
  the Greenwood Plant and Texas Government Code § 551.072 to discuss and
  deliberate the potential purchase or value of the aforementioned property rights
  because deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the
  position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

24. 25-0952 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 potential value and/or acquisition
of properties at, adjacent, and/or near Leopard Street and Corn Products Road,
and/or near Airline Drive and St. Pius Drive; and Texas Government Code §
551.072 to discuss and deliberate the purchase or value of the aforementioned
areas of real property because deliberation in an open meeting would have a

detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person, including, but not limited to, potential consideration of authorization to enter agreement(s) for the purchase of the property or property(ies) at and/or adjacent to the aforementioned locations.

The following motion was considered:

Motion to authorize the execution of Real Estate Sales Contracts with (1) Ted Donald Cohen, Louis Jay Cohen, William A. Cohen, and Anne Cohen Clem to purchase approximately 9.26 acres of property on Leopard Street, between Benys Road and Corn Products Road, (which may also be described as H L Kinney Tract 9.2581 acres out of Parcel 2 & all of Parcel 4) in the amount of \$655,000 and (2) Li Kuan to purchase 713 Airline Road in the amount of \$375,000.

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

Aye:

 9 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2025-081

#### **25**. **25**-0977

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 potential agreement with Ticona (aka Celanese) to purchase water from the City and Texas Government Code § 551.072 to discuss and deliberate the potential purchase or value of property rights related thereto because deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

#### O. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned this meeting at 6:33 p.m.



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Date of Meeting

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Name

Eli McKay

Address

1008 Marguerite St.

Corpus Christi, TX, 78401

Please select the Board, Committee, or governing body that your comments are directed to:

City Council

Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

Yes

What district do you reside in?

District 1

Topic

Item 19

Agenda Item Number

Item 19

#### Comment

It is imperative that you make the right decisions, not for this election cycle but for the next 100 years or more. The Hillcrest desalination plant will further harm the ignored and blighted Northside, Westside, and Uptown areas.

Be the council that does the right thing for all of our city's residents. Rescind Zanoni's executive power over this project and ensure that all council voices are heard and respected.

Vote yes on item 19, and prioritize alternative water source projects.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

elimckay361@gmail.com



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Date of Meeting Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Name Mark Muenster

Address 1015 Luxor Drive

Corpus Christi, Texas, 78412

Please select the Board, Committee, or governing body that your comments are directed to:

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City Council

Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

Yes

What district do you reside in?

District 4

Topic

Desal spending

Agenda Item Number

NA

#### Comment

We do not need desalination. It is not worth the risk to the bay, the rate increases, and energy consumption. The "jobs" or "economic growth" are not worth more than the concerns. The people of this City do not use water at a level that requires these types of experimental plants. Please continue to explore other options, and do not cause more harm to our environment.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

mjmuenster728@gmail.com



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Date of Meeting

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Name

Amanda Breland

Address

11930 Leopard St

Corpus Christi, TX, 78410

Please select the Board, Committee, or governing body that your comments are directed to:

City Council

Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

Yes

What district do you reside in?

District 1

Topic

Fire zanoni

Agenda Item Number

25-0977

#### Comment

My name is Amanda Breland and I'm writing this comment today to urge city council to fire the toxic city manager, Peter zanoni. If that is not possible then I'd like to express my support for item 25-0977. Peter does not care about this city and does not deserve this sort of power. I do not trust his judgement when it comes to making decisions in regards to the proposed desalination plant. He does not have the citizens' best interests in mind.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

amkbre@gmail.com



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# **Public Comment & Input Form**

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Date of Meeting

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

Name

Joy Wright

Address

520 S Chaparral # 4 Corpus Christi, TX, 78401

Please select the Board, Committee, or governing body that your comments are directed to:

City Council

Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

Yes

What district do you reside in?

District 1

**Topic** 

**HOME Investment Partnerships Program** 

Agenda Item Number

23-0923

#### Comment

I am a community member active in several grassroots movements trying to improve housing for all in Corpus Christi.

Currently, HIP offers a gathering place for agencies, non-profits, and these types of grassroots collaboratives. Sadly, although HIP has a budget, they have not shared how they are managing their budget with general membership and would prefer to spend the majority of the hour-long membership meetings training instead of collaborating to solve problems. When pressured to create meetings that are available through Zoom, TEAMS, or some other platform so more people could participate, the current board votes against this type of access.

Since the city helps fund this group, I believe the city should "encourage" HIP to be more transparent with budgets and board matters, as well as open to more collaboration with community members who are currently or have previously lived experience with housing insecurity.

I am glad the city is considering increasing the HIP budget

Provide an email to receive a copy of j4austin@yahoo.com your submission.



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Name

John Weber

Address

10523 Fair Oaks Blvd Fair Oaks, CA, 95628

Please select the Board, Committee, or governing body that your comments are directed to:

City Council

Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

No

Topic

6-10-25 Council meeting

Agenda Item Number

**Public Comment** 

Comment

Please see attached Word document. Thank you.

Upload supporting images or documents.



6.24.25 written.docx

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

js\_weber@hotmail.com

Mayor, Council, and City Manager,

I have been thinking about this comment for a couple of weeks after watching the council meeting. It was painful to watch. I will make this short and to the point.

I watched several comments from firefighters, some giving personal stories, about their experiences with cancer. Some of these were touching. This group of commentors were allowed to speak for more than the 3-minute maximum time allowed by the Council. The time limit is obviously not being applied to all commentors equally. I have a problem with this. I also offer a proven solution. I suggest the City follows the example of the Port. The Port has a large visible time clock on the wall that counts down the time when a commentor starts to speak. After the clock reaches zero, the microphone for the commentor is muted. This is a simple fix and would ensure equal treatment for all commentors.

Most of all my Corpus Christi friends that have died, have died from cancer. It normally follows this course of action. Cancer is detected, friend goes to MD Anderson, friend is treated for some time, cancer goes into remission, cancer comes back, friend returns to MD Anderson, friend returns home and dies shortly after. Yes, early detection could be helpful.

Evidence shows some firefighters are getting cancer. I haven't seen the evidence for each firefighter why they got cancer and why other firefighters didn't get cancer. Could it be where they grow up or where they live now? Could it be a past job they had working around cancer causing material? Could it be from the air they breathe or the food they ate. I don't think we know for sure. More testing needs to be done of Corpus Christi residents to better determine the sources that are causing the cancer of the residents.

Evidence shows the people that live around refinery row have higher cases of cancer than people that live further away from these polluting industries.

Why not test all people that work and live within 1-mile of this industrial zone? I am sure our "industry partners" would be happy to pay for the testing.

If the Council is concerned for the health of firefighters, the Council should also be concerned with the health of other residents that evidence shows have higher cancer rates. Let's get everyone tested and have our "industry partners" pay for the testing. It is the very least they can do. Past councils have discriminated against the people living in the Hillcrest neighborhood and other neighborhoods that border the industrial zone. It is time for this council to stop the discrimination. I suggest current council members research the history of the Hillcrest and Washington-Coles neighborhoods. Knowing the history of the area, you will find that it was a thriving part of the city and attracted world case musicians that performed there. It was the place to go for live entertainment.

Please stop the discrimination and give residents equal treatment.

Thank you.