

## **City of Corpus Christi**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

## **City Council**

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 11:30 AM Council Chambers

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

Mayor Guajardo called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

B. Invocation to be given by Pastor Matthew Morse with Parkway Presbyterian Church.

Pastor Matthew Morse with Parkway Presbyterian Church gave the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Texas Flag to be led by Julian Johnson, 12th grader at South Texas Science and Technology.

Julian Johnson, 12th grader at South Texas Science and Technology, 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 Zanoni, City Attorney Miles Risley and City Secretary Rebecca Huerta

Present:

 8 - Council Member Roland Barrera, Council Member Carolyn Vaughn, Council Member Gilbert Hernandez, Council Member Sylvia Campos, Mayor Paulette Guajardo, Council Member Eric Cantu, Council Member Kaylynn Paxson, and Council Member Everett Roy

Absent: 1 - Council Member Mark Scott

#### E. PUBLIC COMMENT

## F. <u>CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS / UPDATE ON CITY OPERATIONS: (ITEMS 1 - 3)</u>

1. <u>25-1646</u> Introduction of Dr. Anita Kurian, Director of Public Health

City Manager Peter Zanoni introduced the new Director of Public Health, Dr. Anita Kurian.

2. <u>25-1641</u> H-E-B sponsorship of Corpus Christi Museum Admissions

City Manager Peter Zanoni provided a brief update about free admission at Corpus

Christi Museums beginning in November.

Senior Manager of Public Affairs with HEB Beth Dattomo presented information on the following topics: celebrating 120 years; community investment; 2024 museum investment: and 2025 museum investment.

3. <u>25-1647</u> Items Benefiting the Community on the October 21, 2025 City Council Meeting Agenda

City Manager Peter Zanoni highlighted the following items: Commodore Park improvements; project background; scope of work; shaded playground area; parking lot improvements for Gabe Lozano Golf Course; parking lot repairs scope of work; Don and Sandy Billish Memorial Park Skatepark; background; and Evangeline Groundwater rights purchase and sales agreement.

- G. BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: (NONE)
- H. EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:
- I. CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 4 15)

## **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Consent Agenda. Items 7, 10, 11, and 12 were pulled for individual consideration

Council Member Paxson moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Items 7, 10, 11, and 12, seconded by Council Member Campos. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

**4.** <u>25-1629</u> Approval of the October 14, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

The Minutes were approved on the consent agenda.

Consent - Second Reading Ordinances

5. 25-1448 Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$15,000.00 from the National Recreation & Park Association for use by the Parks & Recreation Department for the Heart Your Park Volunteer Days and appropriating \$15,000.00 in the Parks & Recreation Grants Fund.

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

Enactment No: 033777

Zoning Case No. ZN8853, Eduardo Gonzalez (District 3). Ordinance rezoning a property at or near 4921 Kostoryz Road from the "RS-6" Single-Family 6 District to the "CN-1/SP" Neighborhood Commercial District with a Special Permit; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval).

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

Enactment No: 033778

Consent - Contracts and Procurement

7. 25-1402 Motion authorizing execution of a one-year cooperative agreement with De La Garza Fence Company of San Antonio, Texas, through the BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative, in the amount not to exceed \$175,550.00 for the purchase and installation of a chain-link fence for the Public Works Department Materials Yard, with FY 2025 funding of \$87,775.00 from the Streets Fund and \$87,775.00 from the Storm Water Fund.

Director of Finance Sergio Villasana responded to Council questions.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2025-149

**8.** 25-1593 Motion authorizing execution of amendment #1 to the service agreement with Linebarger, Goggan, Blair, & Sampson, LLP for delinquent fine collection services for Municipal Court to extend the term of the agreement for five years.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-150

9. <u>25-1365</u> Motion authorizing a one-time purchase of a compressed natural gas storage tank from ZeitEnergy, LLC of Irving, Texas for \$137,700.00 for the City's CNG fleet with FY 2026 funding from the Gas Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-151

Consent - Capital Projects

10. 25-1500 Motion authorizing three change orders with Bay Ltd. of Corpus Christi for the Residential Street Rebuild Program for FY 2026 to reconstruct residential streets as planned in the Rapid Pavement Program in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 each for a total amount up to \$9,000,000.00 for (1) Base Bid 2 for a restated contract amount up \$15,000,000.00. (2) Base Bid 5 for а restated contract \$15,000,000.00, and (3) Base Re-Bid 4 for a restated contract amount up \$15,000,000.00, located city-wide, with FY26 funding available from Residential Street Reconstruction Fund, Storm Water, Wastewater, Water and Gas Capital Funds.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2025-152

11. 25-1569 Resolution awarding a construction contract to MAX Underground Construction, LLC of Corpus Christi for the reconstruction of Castenon Street, from Trojan Drive to Delgado Street, with new asphalt pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, signage, pavement markings, ADA ramps and utility improvements in an amount up to \$3,574,312.30, located in Council District 3 with FY 2026 funding available from the Street Bond 2018, Storm Water, Water, Wastewater, and Gas Funds.

Director of Engineering Services Jeff Edmonds responded to Council questions on Items 11 and 12.

Council Member Campos moved to approve the resolutions for Items 11 and 12, seconded by Council Member Paxson. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033779

12. 25-1582 Resolution awarding a construction contract to Weaver & Jacob Constructors, Inc., of Cuero, Texas for the Commodore Park Improvements project to construct Phase I improvements to include a covered basketball court pavilion, tennis courts, pickleball courts, fenced playground area, concrete walking trail, picnic area, concrete parking lot with golf cart parking, and park lighting in an amount up to \$3,448,147.00, located in Council District 4, with FY 2026 funding available from the G.O. Bond 2024.

See Item 11.

Aye: 8 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council

Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Paxson and

Council Member Roy

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033780

General Consent Items

**13.** <u>25-1490</u> Resolution authorizing execution of Interlocal Agreements for participation in the Coastal Bend Public Safety Radio System.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033781

**14.** <u>25-1642</u> Resolution approving the 2026 calendar year City Council meeting schedule.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033782

Consent - First Reading Ordinances

15. 25-1574 Ordinance authorizing a budget adjustment and amending the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 for the parking lot expansion and resurfacing project at Gabe Lozano Golf Course, with funding from the Golf Center Fund in the amount of \$400,000.

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

#### J. RECESS FOR LUNCH

Mayor Guajardo recessed the Council meeting for lunch at 3:31 p.m. Executive Session Items 28 and 29 were held during the lunch recess. Mayor Guajardo reconvened the

meeting at 4:52 p.m.

#### K. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (ITEMS 16 - 19)

Zoning Case No. ZN8548, Al Development, Inc. (District 4). Ordinance rezoning a property at or near 6502 Holly Road from the "CN-1" Neighborhood Commercial District to the "CG-2" General Commercial District; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend denial)(3/4 favorable vote required to overrule Planning Commission).

Interim Assistant City Manager Michael Dice presented information on the following topics: zoning and land use; public notification; and analysis and recommendation.

Interim Assistant City Manager Dice and Developer Representative Tereso Mora responded to Council questions.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Hernandez moved to approve staff and Planning Commission's recommendation to deny, seconded by Council Member Paxson. This Ordinance failed with the following vote:

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

**17. 25-1408** 

Zoning Case No. ZN8622, John Tompkins (District 4). Ordinance rezoning a property at or near 14762 Running Light Drive from the "RM-AT/IO" Multifamily District with the Island Overlay to the "RM-AT/IO/PUD" Multifamily District with the Island Overlay and a Planned Unit Development Overlay; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval).

Interim Assistant City Manager Michael Dice presented information on the following topics: zoning and land use; public notification; PUD development standards and layout; and analysis and recommendation.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

There were no comments from the Council or the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

**18**. <u>25-1564</u>

Motion authorizing city manager or designee to execute a Deferment Agreement ("Agreement") with Solid Rock Commercial Properties, Ltd ("Developer"), for the construction of paving, storm sewer, water, and sanitary sewer improvements at Solid Rock Industrial Park - Phase 1.

Interim Assistant City Manager Michael Dice presented information on the following topics: deferment agreement; location map; total cost estimate; financial security-developer; financial security-city; and recommendation.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2025-153

**19.** 25-0618 Resolution authorizing the reuse of city parkland for the Civitan Service Center to be located at Sacky Park in Council District 3.

Interim Director of Asset Management Juan Rivera presented information on the following topics: City Service Center on Civitan Drive; Sacky Park; Service Center and Sacky Park challenges; and Service Center Master Plan and Public Land Redistribution.

City Manager Peter Zanoni and Interim Assistant City Manager Ernie De La Garza

responded to Council questions.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033783

#### L. <u>INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS: (ITEMS 20 - 25)</u>

20. 25-1634 One-Reading ordinance authorizing execution of a Groundwater Rights Purchase and Sale Agreement with Evangeline/Laguna, LP in the amount of \$169,491,700.00; execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Sinton and an Agreement with St. Paul Water Supply Corporation for possible remediation activities due to the Evangeline Groundwater Project; and amending the FY 2026 Capital Budget, with FY 2026 funding available from Water Capital Fund.

Interim Chief Operating Officer Nick Winkelmann presented information on the following topics: Evangeline Agreement background; Evangeline Agreement deal points; Council approvals; next steps; and timeline.

City Manager Peter Zanoni, Interim COO Winkelmann, and Principal Engineer with INTERA Steve Young responded to Council questions.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, Chloe Torres, Corpus Christi, TX, Jake Hernandez, Corpus Christi, TX, Chris Cuellar, Robstown, TX, Susie Luna Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, Sharon Sedwick, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Henry Williams, Corpus Christi, TX, and Rachel Caballero, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Vaughn moved to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Cantu. This Ordinance was passed on emergency and approved with the

following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor

Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Nay: 1 - Council Member Barrera

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033784

21. 25-1665 Consideration and approval of a resolution relating to establishing the City's intention to reimburse itself for the prior lawful expenditure of funds relating to any capital expenditures from the proceeds of one or more series of tax-exempt or taxable obligations to be issued by the City in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$169,500,000 for authorized purposes, including the Evangeline groundwater rights project; authorizing other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the Council or the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye:

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

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033785

22. 25-1663 Resolution to authorize petitions and other appropriate information and documents to be submitted to the Corpus Christi Aquifer Storage and Recovery Conservation District to include City-owned properties in the District under Texas Water Code section 36.321.

Water Resource Manager Esteban Ramos presented information on the following topics: Corpus Christi Aquifer Storage and Recovery Conservation District (CCASRCD); what is CCASRCD; core objectives; Nueces River Groundwater Wells proposal; Nueces River Groundwater Wells advantage of the inclusion; Nueces River Groundwater Wells water supply projects; and staff recommendation.

Water Resource Manager Ramos and City Attorney Miles Risley responded to Council

questions.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Betty Cranford, Corpus Christi, TX, Chris Cuellar, Robstown, TX, Jackie Rogers, Corpus Christi, TX, Trey Cranford, Nueces County, TX, Shannon Scarborough, Nueces County, TX, Scott Barraza, Nueces County, TX, Lucas Barraza, Nueces County, TX, Robert Pasquel, Nueces County, TX, Rachel Caballero, Corpus Christi, TX, Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, and Robin Sanders, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Roy moved to amend the resolution to include two non-city staff members to the board of directors upon expiration of the terms of the next two directors, seconded by Council Member Barrera and passed unanimously.

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

Aye: 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Campos, Mayor

Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Nay: 1 - Council Member Hernandez

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033786

23. 25-1554 Motion authorizing a Short-term non-refundable Option for Potable Water Reservation and Diversion Contract with the Nueces River Authority to reserve 56,007-acre feet per year (50 MGD) from the Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Plant in the amount of \$2,737,622.16, with FY 2026 funding available from the Water Fund.

City Manager Peter Zanoni, Interim Chief Operating Officer Nick Winkelmann, and Executive Director at Nueces River Authority John Byrum responded to Council questions.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, Jason Hale, Corpus Christi, TX, and Eric Von Wade, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Paxson moved to approve the motion, seconded by Council Member

Cantu. This Motion was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Cantu, Council

Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

Nay: 3 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Campos and Mayor Guajardo

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: M2025-154

**24.** <u>25-1601</u> Resolution casting votes for candidate(s) for the Nueces County Appraisal District Board of Directors

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta stated the Council may allocate votes to one or both candidates on the ballot.

Council Member Barrera moved to allocate 218 votes to Gabriele Hilpold and 218 votes to Deven S. Bhakta, seconded by Council Member Cantu. This Resolution was passed and approved with the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council

Member Campos, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Paxson and Council Member

Roy

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Guajardo

Enactment No: 033787

25. 25-1661 Resolution approving the Skatepark for Billish Park CIP Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #2 ("TIRZ #2") Project in an amount not to exceed \$850,000.00; appropriating and transferring \$850,000.00 from the Sand Dollar CIP TIRZ #2 Paper Street Project to the Skatepark for Billish Park CIP TIRZ #2

Project.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Cheryl Segrest, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

Aye:

8 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Cantu, Council Member Paxson and

Council Member Roy

Absent: 1 - Council Member Scott

Abstained: 0

Enactment No: 033788

#### M. <u>BRIEFINGS: (ITEMS 26 - 27)</u>

**26.** <u>25-1636</u> Hydrogeological Analysis and Modeling for the Nueces Groundwater Project and the Evangeline Groundwater Project by INTERA

Principal Engineer with INTERA Steve Young and Interim Chief Operating Officer Nick Winkelmann presented information on the following topics: Gulf Coast discussion items; Gulf Coast Aquifer system; Gulf Coast Aquifer System: South Texas; Gulf Coast Aquifer: recharge and water quality; INTERA's previous work: 2012-2013; measured total dissolved solids (mg/L); proposed six location of phase 2 study (2013); conceptualization of regional groundwater flow; description of groundwater model; Nueces GW model: numerical grid and layers; water levels: simulated vs observed; transmissivity: simulated versus observed; Nueces County cross section; Geophysical logs and sand percents and thicknesses; simulated water levels: preproduction conditions; design of production wells; summary: groundwater model for Nueces County; approach to simulating land subsidence; and discussion of model application.

City Manager Peter Zanoni, Interim COO Winkelmann, and Mr. Young responded to Council questions.

27. <u>25-1664</u> Water Supply Update

This Item was withdrawn.

- N. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEMS 28 30)
- 28. 25-1649 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 rules and regulations of state of Texas, EPA, TCEQ, TWDB, Texas Railroad Commission, San Patricio County Groundwater Conservation District, and legal rights, property rights, and/or contracts related to purchase and/or sale of groundwater, including water rights in property accessing the Evangeline Aquifer in San Patricio County adjacent and/or near US Highway 181, US Highway 77, US Highway 77 Business, Highway 89, and/or the Aransas River, and other sources, and Texas Government Code § 551.072 to discuss and deliberate the purchase or value of the aforementioned rights to 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 professionals for services related to these property rights, interlocal agreements and other agreements with government entities near the aforementioned property(ies) and/or the purchase of the property or property(ies) at and/or adjacent to

locations (if any) described herein.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

# 29. 25-1666 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 rules and regulations of the state of Texas, EPA, TCEQ, TWDB, Texas Railroad Commission, other regulatory entities, and legal rights, property rights, and contracts related to potable water monitoring and/or sampling, and/or the production, purchase, and/or sale of water, including desalinated seawater and other sources and any legal issues related to a potential Short-term non-refundable Option for Potable Water Reservation and Diversion Contract with the Nueces River Authority.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

30. 25-1656 Executive Session pursuant to Texas Gov't Code § 551.071 and Texas
Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 1.05 to consult with attorneys
concerning legal issues related to personnel matters and the City Manager and
Texas Gov't Code § 551.074 (personnel matters) to deliberate the annual
performance evaluation of a public officer or employee (including the City
Manager).

This E-Session Item was withdrawn.

#### O. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment. The following individuals spoke: Rachel Caballero, Corpus Christi, TX, Henry Mangum, Corpus Christi, TX, Susie Luna Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, Eric Von Wade, Corpus Christi, TX, Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Elena Martinez, Corpus Christi, TX, Brandon Garis, Corpus Christi, TX, Robin Cox, Corpus Christi, TX, Christina English, Corpus Christi, TX, Eli McKay, Corpus Christi, TX, and Alberto Zertuche, Corpus Christi, TX.

The following individuals submitted a written public comment which is attached to the minutes: Albert Studer, Corpus Christi, TX, Dale Switalla, Corpus Christi, TX, Kristen Arredondo, Sandia, TX, Alyssa King, Sandia, TX, Sarah Harlan, Sandia, TX, and Samantha Price, Sandia, TX.

## P. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

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**Date of Meeting** 

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Name

Albert Studer

**Address** 

5233 Bonner Dr.

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, 78411

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 3

Topic

Item 22 Unlawful authorization of City Aquifer Storage & Recovery land pull

**Agenda Item Number** 

22

#### Comment

My name is Albert L. Studer Sr. I am requesting a Vote of "NO" for item 22. I believe the citys ASR is a land grab of the water rights between CR 79 and 81.

My family has operated a live stock operation in Nueces County on Original 400 acres between CR79 and 81 for Four (4) generations.

Please stop the conflict of interest designed to side step the Nueces Groundwater Conservation district. It is a text book conflict of interest which violates Texas Water Code statues 36.321.

Thank you, Albert L Studer Sr.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

Texastuder2@gmail.com



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**Date of Meeting** 

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

**Name** 

Kristen Arredondo

**Address** 

5897 Hidden Valley Loop Sandia, TX, 78383

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** 

City Petition to Annex Groundwater Properties into CCASR

District

**Agenda Item Number** 

25-1663

#### Comment

I oppose this resolution and the City's petition to annex its properties into the Corpus Christi Aquifer Storage and Recovery District. This creates a direct conflict of interest, allowing the City to regulate its own groundwater production through a City-controlled district—removing independent oversight and bypassing the intent of Texas Water Code Chapter 36. The City is already exceeding the county's modeled available groundwater (MAG) and seeks to expand further without accountability. This action undermines landowner rights and local representation, violating the spirit of Edwards Aquifer Authority v. Day (2012), which confirmed groundwater as a private property right. I urge Council to withdraw or postpone this vote until the State completes its review of the proposed Nueces Groundwater Conservation District, which was initiated by local landowners to ensure fair, transparent, science-based groundwater management. Protect local control. Protect property rights.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

kristen.newby@gmail.com



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Date of Meeting

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Name

Alyssa King

**Address** 

5761 Hidden Valley Loop Sandia, TX, 78383

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** 

**Ground Water Conservation** 

**Agenda Item Number** 

25-1663

#### Comment

As a concerned resident of rural Nueces County, I am alarmed by recent groundwater conservation developments. The council's decisions appear to lack supporting scientific research and data, which is crucial for understanding the potential impacts on our aquifer and the residents who rely on it for water.

Without comprehensive studies, it is difficult to assess how these policies may affect water availability and quality, particularly for families and farmers who depend on groundwater for their livelihoods. I urge the council to prioritize evidence-based decision-making and conduct thorough environmental impact assessments before proceeding with any initiatives.

It's essential to safeguard our water resources and ensure that the community's needs are met. Transparency and scientific backing are critical for the council's actions in this matter.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

alyssakingrealty@gmail.com



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# **Public Comment & Input Form**

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**Date of Meeting** 

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Name

Sarah Harlan

**Address** 

6133 Oak Hill Circle Sandia, TX, 78383

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** 

City Petition to Annex Groundwater Properties into CCASR

District

**Agenda Item Number** 

25-1663

#### Comment

I oppose this resolution and the City's petition to annex its properties into the CCASRD. This proposal creates a serious conflict of interest by letting the City regulate its own groundwater production through a City-controlled district—removing independent oversight and sidestepping the intent of Texas Water Code Chapter 36. The City is already pumping beyond the county's modeled available groundwater (MAG) and now wants to expand even further, without meaningful accountability.

This approach threatens landowner rights and local representation, undermining Edwards Aquifer Authority v. Day (2012), which confirmed that groundwater is a private property right. Allowing the City to act as both the producer and regulator of groundwater puts private landowners at a clear disadvantage and weakens public trust.

I urge the Council to do the right thing: withdraw or postpone this vote until the State completes its review of the proposed Nueces Groundwater Conservation District.

Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.

sehammer@msn.com



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**Date of Meeting** 

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Name

Samantha Price

**Address** 

5854 Hidden Valley Loop Sandia, TX, 78383

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** 

Annexation of Properties into CCASR District

Agenda Item Number

25-1663

#### Comment

As a rural Nueces County resident, this aquifer is our sole source of water. The amount of water the city is attempting to remove is unsustainable. As you (should) know, according to the Region N Regional Water Plan, the Modeled Available Groundwater (MAG) for Nueces County is 6,787 acre-feet per year. The City is currently producing 8 million gallons per day (8,961 acre-feet per year). That is already 2,174 acre-feet per year MORE than what is considered sustainable. By just ONE entity, Even more concerning is the fact that the city has publicly stated plans to increase production by an additional 20 million gallons per day, totaling over 31,000 acre-feet per year, nearly FIVE TIMES the MAG for the entire county. This shows a complete disregard for those of us who rely on this water.

This vote is a dishonest, poor faith attempt to circumvent rural residents right to legally and rightfully protect the vital resource we rely on through the Nueces Groundwater Conservation District.

Provide an email to receive a copy of samantha.kraatz@gmail.com your submission.



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Dale Switalla

**Address** 

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Corpus Christi, TX, 78407

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Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?

Yes

What district do you reside in?

District 1

Topic

diverting money and using out of town companies

**Agenda Item Number** 

7 and 12

#### Comment

item 7 City is going to steal about \$88K from the street fund and \$88K from the stormwater fund using another out of town company, to build a fence at public works storage area. When city started the street tax 12 years ago, they said streets are bad because previous councils had been using the street money for other things and we have to do this tax now to pay for repairs. So today you're doing exactly what those other councils did, using it for other projects. No wonder city wants to bring back the street tax and has kept raising the stormwater tax, SO WE CAN BUILD A FENCE?

item 12 Using another out of town company for improvements at Comodore Park at a cost of 3.5 mill. Do you really think people are going to leave their air conditioned condos to sit outside for a family picnic? Or that kids will be going there to play basketball or tennis?

Why didn't you solicit bids from local companies? We don't need to keep sending our local tax money to San Antonio or Cuero.

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