



# City of Corpus Christi

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## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

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Tuesday, July 22, 2025

11:30 AM

Council Chambers

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**Addendums may be added on Friday.**

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

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

**B. Invocation to be given by Pastor Greg Hood with REACH Ministries.**

Pastor Greg Hood with REACH Ministries gave the invocation.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Texas Flag to be led by Kellie Box, 11th grader at Tuloso-Midway High School.**

Kellie Box, 11th grader at Tuloso-Midway 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 - Council Member Roland Barrera, Council Member Carolyn Vaughn, Council Member Gil Hernandez, Council Member Sylvia Campos, Mayor Paulette Guajardo, Council Member Mark Scott, Council Member Kaylynn Paxson, and Council Member Everett Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Eric Cantu

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**F. BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: (NONE)**

**G. EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:**

**H. CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 1 - 25)**

***Approval of the Consent Agenda***

Mayor Guajardo referred to the Consent Agenda. Items 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, and 20 were pulled for individual consideration.

Council Member Paxson moved to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Items 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, and 20, seconded by Council Member Vaughn. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

1. [25-1160](#) Approval of the July 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

The Minutes were approved on the consent agenda.

*Consent - Second Reading Ordinances*

2. [25-0644](#) Ordinance authorizing a no-fee 20-year lease agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration for 2.7896 acres of land at the Corpus Christi International Airport for the operation of an Airport Surveillance Radar. (28- day delay required between readings)

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

Enactment No: 033685

3. [25-0646](#) Ordinance authorizing the appropriation of \$40,000.00 in grant program income under the Motor Vehicle Crime and Prevention Authority grant in the Police Grants Fund; and authorizing the appropriation of \$11,863.63 in insurance claim proceeds into the Police Grants Fund; and amending the FY 2025 Police Grants Fund Budget by a total amount of \$51,863.63.

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

Enactment No: 033686

4. [25-0737](#) Ordinance authorizing submission of reimbursement requests to the Texas Department of Emergency Management, Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council, Texas A&M University-Extension Service, and the Texas Emergency Medical Task Force; and, upon receipt of funds, accepting and appropriating in the Emergency Management Grants Fund for budgeting and accounting purposes; and execution of all necessary documents.

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

Enactment No: 033687

5. [25-0867](#) Consideration and approval of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of “City of Corpus Christi, Texas Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Taxable Series 2025B” for solid waste improvements approved by City Council in the FY 2025 CIP Budget in an amount not to exceed \$4,480,000, within set parameters and according to the plan of finance set by the City’s financial advisors; providing for the payment of said certificates by the levy of an ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City and further securing said certificates by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues of the solid waste system; delegating authority to the City Manager, Assistant City Manager over Finance, Director of Finance and Procurement and certain other authorized officials to approve and execute documents relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the certificates; enacting other provisions incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date.

Council Member Barrera moved to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Scott. This Ordinance was passed on second reading and approved with the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 2 - Council Member Hernandez and Council Member Paxson

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033688

6. [25-0868](#) Consideration and approval of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of “City of Corpus Christi, Texas, General Improvement and/or Refunding Bonds, Series 2025”, for the second issuance of bonds from the Bond 2022 authorization for projects approved by the voters in November 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 and or refinancings in an amount not to exceed \$35,785,000 for the refunding, within set parameters and according to the plan of finance set by the City’s financial advisors; levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax for the payment of the bonds; delegating authority to the City Manager, Assistant City Manager over Finance, Director of Finance and Procurement , and certain other authorized officials to approve and execute documents relating to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds; enacting other provisions incident and related thereto; and providing for an effective date.

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

Enactment No: 033689

7. [25-0869](#) Consideration and approval of ordinance authorizing the issuance of City of Corpus Christi, Texas combination tax and limited pledge revenue certificates of obligation, series 2025A” for capital improvements to streets, public health and safety facilities, parks, public facilities, and storm water infrastructure approved by City Council in the FY 2025 CIP Budget in an amount not to exceed

\$38,720,000, within set parameters and according to the plan of finance set by the City's financial advisors; providing for the payment of said certificates by the levy of an ad valorem tax upon all taxable property within the City and further securing said certificates by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues of the solid waste system; delegating authority to the City Manager, Assistant City Manager over Finance, Director of Finance and Procurement and certain other authorized officials to approve and execute documents relating to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the certificates; enacting other provisions incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date.

Council Member Barrera moved to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Scott. This Ordinance was passed on second reading and approved with the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Hernandez

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033690

8. [25-1006](#) Consideration and approval of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of "City of Corpus Christi, Texas Limited Tax Notes, Series 2025", for public safety, vehicles and streets approved by City Council in the FY 2025 CIP Budget in an amount not to exceed \$11,120,000; levying an annual ad valorem tax, within the limitations prescribed by law, for the payment of the obligations; delegating authority to the City Manager, Assistant City Manager over Finance, Director of Finance and Procurement to execute documents relating to the sale of the notes; enacting other provisions incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date.

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

Enactment No: 033691

9. [25-0981](#) Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$30,000.00 from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, under the FY 2025 National Shelter Initiative Grant - Rescue Effect Campaign, for use by the Animal Care Services Department for make-ready costs including adoption fees, microchips, vaccinations, testing, and spay/neuter surgery; and appropriating in the Animal Care Services Grant Fund.

Council Member Campos moved to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Hernandez. This Ordinance was passed on second reading and approved with the following vote:

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033692

10. [25-0572](#) 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: 033693

11. [25-0564](#) Ordinance abandoning, vacating, and closing 2.5193 acres of improved and unimproved public right-of-way identified as sections of Washington Street, Williams Avenue, Hatch Street, Summers Street, John Street, Dempsey Street, Priour Avenue, Nueces Street and Coke Street for no fee as provided in the Harbor Bridge Replacement Project Four Party Agreement.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing. The following individuals spoke:

Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, Tina Butler, Corpus Christi, TX, Monna Lytle, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Dan McQueen, Corpus Christi, TX, Isabel Araiza, Corpus Christi, TX, Mariah Boone, Corpus Christi, TX, and Elida Castillo, Taft, TX.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 2 - Council Member Campos and Mayor Guajardo

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033694

12. [25-0263](#) Zoning Case No. ZN8534, Port of Corpus Christi Authority (District 1). Ordinance rezoning various properties along Lexington Avenue, located south of Minton Street and north of Martin Luther King Drive, from the "RS-6"

Single-Family 6 District to the "IL" Light Industrial District; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval).

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing. The following individuals spoke:

Henry Williams, Corpus Christi, TX, Gilbert Aguirre, Corpus Christi, TX, Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, Tina Butler, Corpus Christi, TX, Monna Lytle, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Dan McQueen, Corpus Christi, TX, Isabel Araiza, Corpus Christi, TX, Mariah Boone, Corpus Christi, TX, Peter Moore, Corpus Christi, TX, Frank Ayala, Corpus Christi, TX, and Elida Castillo, Taft, TX.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Hernandez moved to amend the ordinance from the "RS-6" Single-Family 6 District to the "CG-2/SP" General Commercial District with a Special Permit, seconded by Council Member Vaughn and approved with the following vote: Council Members Barrera, Hernandez, Paxson, Roy, Scott and Vaughn voting, "yes," Mayor Guajardo and Council Member Campos voting, "no," and Council Member Cantu, absent.

Council Member Barrera moved to approve the ordinance as amended, seconded by Council Member Roy. This Ordinance was passed on second reading as amended and approved with the following vote

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 2 - Council Member Campos and Mayor Guajardo

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033695

13. [25-0787](#) Zoning Case No. ZN8553, Port of Corpus Christi Authority (District 1). Ordinance rezoning various properties at or near 1901 through 2202 Nueces Street, located north of Interstate Highway 37 (IH 37), along with portions of West Broadway Street, Washington Street, Williams Avenue, Hatch Street, Summers Street, John Street, Dempsey Street, Priour Street, Nueces Street and Coke Street, from the "RM-1" Multifamily District and the "CN-1" Neighborhood Commercial District to the "IL" Light Industrial District; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000 and publication. (Staff recommends approval) (Planning Commission recommends denial of requested IH and a change to "IL" Light Industrial District in lieu of IH. Requires 3/4 favorable vote to overrule Planning Commission).

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing. The following individuals spoke:

Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, Tina Butler, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Dan McQueen, Corpus Christi, TX, Isabel Araiza, Corpus Christi, TX, Mariah Boone, Corpus Christi, TX, and Elida Castillo, Taft, TX.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

Council Member Barrera moved to approve the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Scott. This Ordinance was passed on second reading and approved with the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 2 - Council Member Campos and Mayor Guajardo

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033696

*Consent - Contracts and Procurement*

14. [25-0801](#) Motion authorizing execution of a five-year agreement with Intrado Life and Safety, of Longmont, Colorado, through the HGACBuy Cooperative, in the amount of \$1,073,513.09 to upgrade the 911 call routing hardware and software and provide the necessary software licenses, training, technical support and maintenance, and professional services, with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$587,393.19 from the Police Grants Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-087

15. [25-0806](#) Resolution authorizing a five-year service agreement with AT&T Enterprises, of Dallas, Texas, for upgraded 911 services and the necessary emergency service network access, support, maintenance, and professional services in the amount of \$2,363,674.10 for the Corpus Christi Police Department, with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$153,960.23 from the Police Grants Fund.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033697

16. [25-0610](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of 14 replacement and two additional light vehicles by various City Departments, of which all 16 units will be outright purchases through the TIPS Cooperative for a total amount of \$1,176,428.88, with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$67,689.50 coming from the FY 2025 General Fund, \$56,174.25 coming from the Health Grants Fund, \$105,308.25 coming from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund, and \$947,256.88 coming from

the FY 2025 Fleet Equipment Replacement Fund.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033698

17. [25-0611](#) Resolution authorizing the acquisition of 15 replacement and six additional heavy equipment by various City Departments, of which 16 units will be outright purchases and five units will be lease-purchases, through the BuyBoard, HGAC, and Sourcewell Cooperatives, for a total amount of \$4,814,399.94, with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$2,909,753.59, with \$173,149.65 coming from the FY 2025 General Fund, \$162,905.33 coming from the FY 2025 Streets Fund, and \$2,573,698.61 coming from the FY 2025 Fleet Equipment Replacement Fund.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033699

18. [25-0986](#) Motion authorizing execution of a two-year professional services agreement, with two two-year options, with Hilltop Securities Asset Management, LLC, of Austin in an amount not to exceed \$240,000.00, with a potential up to \$750,000.00 if the options are exercised, for investment advisor services, with FY 2026 funding of \$120,000.00 from the General Fund, subject to approval of the annual budget.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-092

*Consent - Capital Projects*

19. [25-0902](#) Motion authorizing a professional services contract with J. Schwarz & Associates of Odem, Texas to provide design, bid, and construction phase services for the Twin 36-inch & McBride Wastewater Lines to the Oso Wastewater Reclamation Plant Rehabilitation Project in an amount up to \$604,650.00, located in Council Districts 1 and 4, with FY 2025 funding available from the Wastewater Capital Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-093

20. [25-0904](#) Motion awarding a construction contract to Crawford Henrichson and Crawford LLC, of Addison, Texas for the La Retama Central Library Exterior Renovation project in an amount up to \$2,027,560.00, located in Council District 1, with FY 2025 funding available from the Bond 2022 and prior City Council approved Certificates of Obligation.

Director of Libraries Laura Garcia presented information on the following topics: existing east conditions; north-east elevation; south-east elevation; and south elevation rear hardscape.



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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Hernandez

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: M2025-094

*General Consent Items*

21. [25-0891](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance of two grants totaling \$215,009.32 from the Texas Office of the Governor - Homeland Security Grant Division for the State Homeland Security Program, with one grant in the amount of \$109,507.75 for funding for the purchase of one additional 2025 Ford F-450 Police response vehicle and one grant in the amount of \$105,501.57 for funding for the purchase of one replacement Spartan Robot for the Corpus Christi Police Department's Bomb Squad.

This Resolution was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: 033700

22. [25-0908](#) Motion authorizing execution of a four-year lease agreement with Alvita, Ltd., of Austin, TX, for the lease of a building to house the Public Safety Radio System Shop (Radio Shop) located at 2510 Lipan Street in Corpus Christi (10,215 square feet) for the Information Technology Department in an amount not to exceed \$535,740.00, with FY 2025 funding of \$31,542.00 from the Information Technology Fund.

This Motion was passed on the consent agenda.

Enactment No: M2025-095

*Consent - First Reading Ordinances*

23. [25-1084](#) An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas Approving the 2025 Annual Update to the Service and Assessment Plan and Assessment Roll for the Whitecap Public Improvement District NO.1 Improvement Area #1 Including the collection of the 2025 Annual Installments as required by state statute.

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

24. [25-1053](#) Ordinance authorizing an amendment to the lease with Al Dodds Aviation, LLC to amend the term to add two one-year renewals and add an escalation of the

base rent by 3% per annum.

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

25. [25-1054](#) Ordinance authorizing an amendment to the lease with Ocean Air Center, LLC to amend the term to add two one-year renewals and add an escalation of the base rent by 3% per annum.

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

**I. RECESS FOR LUNCH**

Mayor Guajardo recessed the Council meeting for lunch at 1:37 p.m. Executive Session Items 35-37 were held during the lunch recess. Mayor Guajardo reconvened the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (ITEMS 26 - 27)**

26. [25-1046](#) Ordinance approving the Corpus Christi Crime Control and Prevention District Budget for FY 2026 with revenues in a total amount of \$9,363,764.00 and expenditures in a total amount of \$11,245,362.00 to fund 78 authorized Police sworn personnel and nine replacement vehicles, and equipment to support both as adopted by the Corpus Christi Crime Control and Prevention District Board on June 18, 2025; and appropriating \$11,245,362.00 in the Crime Control and Prevention District Fund.

Assistant Police Chief David Blackmon presented information on the following topics: history and background; budget summary; budget overview; revenues; and expenditures.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Mariah Boone, Corpus Christi, TX, James Perkins, Corpus Christi, TX, and Melissa Zamora, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

**Aye:** 8 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Council Member Campos, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

27. [25-1126](#) Ordinance adopting the City Fiscal Year 2026 and U.S. Department of Housing

and Urban Development (HUD) Program Year 2025 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) budget in the amount of \$2,746,956, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) budget in the amount of \$233,755, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) budget in the amount of \$1,394,561 for a total of \$4,375,272 annual HUD funding; authorizing the execution of all necessary documents to submit the AAP; authorizing a staff complement of 17 positions; accepting and appropriating funding for the approved AAP projects and authorizing the execution of funding agreements, amendments, environmental review records, and other documents necessary for all departments to implement the FY2026 PY 2025 AAP.

Interim Assistant City Manager Dan McGinn presented information on the following topics: required plans; FY 2026 annual action plan; allocations; timeline; stakeholder consultations; five year priority needs; examples of previous projects; and FY 2026 project recommendations.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

Lisa Gerdes, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Melissa Juarez, Corpus Christi, TX, James Perkins, Corpus Christi, TX, Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, and Lien Rosas, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy  
**Nay:** 1 - Council Member Campos  
**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu  
**Abstained:** 0

**K. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS: (ITEMS 28 - 31)**

28. [25-1167](#) Motion to waive the City Council's August 24, 2025 deadline to submit a contract for water from South Texas Water Authority (STWA) in response to their request and STWA's ongoing negotiations with Seven Seas as negotiations and due diligence in pursuit of a contract with STWA will continue and be reported back to City Council as more progress is made.

Chief Operating Officer of Corpus Christi Water Drew Molly provided a brief summary regarding the deadline for South Texas Water Authority to submit a contract.

Council Member Vaughn moved to amend the August 24, 2025 deadline motion to state

"to report back to City Council on September 23, 2025", seconded by Council Member Barrera and passed unanimously.

Mayor Guajardo opened the public hearing.

Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX and Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed the public hearing.

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Campos and Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: M2025-096

29. [25-0861](#) Motion awarding a construction contract to JE Construction Services of Corpus Christi, Texas, for the construction of the Solid Waste Compost Yard, located at Cefe Valenzuela Landfill, outside City Limits, in an amount of \$5,489,118.50 with FY 2025 funding available from the prior certificate of obligation.

Director of Solid Waste Operations Philip Aldridge presented information on the following topics: background; project background; local feedstocks; local users; benefits of composting; compost construction bid tabulation; and project timeline.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX and Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, spoke.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

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

**Aye:** 7 - Council Member Barrera, Council Member Vaughn, Council Member Hernandez, Mayor Guajardo, Council Member Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 2 - Council Member Campos and Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: M2025-097

30. [25-1109](#) Resolution authorizing the execution of a Chapter 380 Incentive Agreement with Cinergy 112, LLC to provide a rebate of up to \$4,150,000 of City of Corpus

Christi ad valorem taxes and city sales taxes over a 15-year period for the development of Cinergy Family Entertainment Center, located at the corner of Rodd Field Road and South Padre Island Drive (SPID) in District 4.

Director of Economic Development Arturo Marquez presented information on the following topics: Cinergy project location; who is Cinergy; Cinergy Entertainment; conceptual floor plan; proposed amenities; 15 year economic impact summary; developer request; and project economics.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member Paxson moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Hernandez. 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 Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033701

31. [25-1164](#) Resolution authorizing an Air Service Minimum Revenue Guarantee Agreement with an airline for Corpus Christi International Airport totaling \$787,579.00, as part of the Small Community Air Service Development (SCASD) program grant from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary for the air service agreement.

Interim Director of Aviation Jeremy Valgardson presented information on the following topics: Small Community Air Service Development (SCASD) grant; why Denver; beyond just Denver; fare vs. average CRP fares; airline MRG key points; and needed participants and funds.

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Guajardo closed public comment.

Council Member moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Council Member Scott. 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 Scott, Council Member Paxson and Council Member Roy

**Absent:** 1 - Council Member Cantu

**Abstained:** 0

Enactment No: 033702

**L. BRIEFINGS: (ITEM 32)**

32. [25-1135](#) Briefing on the Inner Harbor Water Treatment Campus, specifically focusing on the Kiewit cost model for construction.

Inner Harbor Desalination Program Management Office Director Brett Van Hazel, Engineer at Freese and Nichols Jason Cocklin, Kiewit Energy Engineer Joe Miller, and Assistant Director of Corpus Christi Water (CCW)-Finance & Administration Kamil Taras presented information on the following topics: presentation overview; current project status update; project timeline; demonstration plant; cost model: contract requirement; project cost review points; cost iteration process; impact to CCW ratepayer; CCW rate payer forecast; cost of water; construction cost iteration; project cost breakdown; engineering summary; construction summary; next steps; and future project topics.

**M. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS / UPDATE ON CITY OPERATIONS: (ITEMS 33 - 34)**

33. [25-1170](#) FY2026 Budget Development Process Update

City Manager Peter Zanoni provided a brief update on the FY2026 budget development process.

34. [25-1169](#) Update on Alternative Water Supply Projects

Chief Operating Officer of Corpus Christi Drew Molly presented information on the following topics: stream flows in the Frio near Uvalde; Frio River rainfall event - July 14; The Frio River at Tilden; reservoir history (western supplies); reservoir water levels; Evangeline groundwater project; Nueces River Groundwater wells project; and Oso Wastewater Treatment Plant reclaimed water fill station.

**N. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEMS 35 - 37)**

35. [25-1133](#) **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 acquisition of the City of Rockport natural gas utility and distribution system assets and Texas Government Code § 551.072 to discuss and deliberate the purchase and/or value of the real property associated with the aforementioned system.**

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

36. [25-1134](#) **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 regulations, legal rights, property rights, and contracts related to purchase and/or sale of groundwater from the Evangeline Aquifer, 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 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.

37. [25-1161](#) **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 a potential Air Service Agreement with a Minimum Revenue Guarantee for Enhanced Air Connectivity and authorizations of Type B Economic Development Grants and federal grants for Airline Service and related grant agreements involving Visit Corpus Christi, and supporting the establishment of a new nonstop route and **Texas Government Code § 551.087** to discuss and deliberate regarding potential financial or other incentive(s) to business prospects(s) that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City will be conducting economic development negotiations.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session.

## O. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guajardo opened public comment. The following individuals spoke:

Chris Hamilton, Corpus Christi, TX, Bradley Bartilson, Corpus Christi, TX, Daniel Resley, Corpus Christi, TX, David Loeb, Corpus Christi, TX, Jason Hale, Corpus Christi, TX, Jennifer Aguirre, Corpus Christi, TX, Susie Saldana, Corpus Christi, TX, Dan McQueen, Corpus Christi, TX, Samuel Aundra Fryer, Corpus Christi, TX, Marilena Garza, Corpus Christi, TX, Melanie Sanchez, Corpus Christi, TX, Melissa Zamora, Corpus Christi, TX, Sage Jimenez, Corpus Christi, TX, Mark Muenster, Corpus Christi, TX, Andrea Puyol, Corpus Christi, TX, James Perkins, Corpus Christi, TX, Michael Miller, Corpus Christi, TX, Adam Rios, Corpus Christi, TX, Joshua Fraedrick, Corpus Christi, TX, Jake Hernandez, Corpus Christi, TX, Beatriz Alvarado, Corpus Christi, TX, Chloe Torres, Corpus Christi, TX, Isabel Araiza, Corpus Christi, TX, Amanda Breland, Corpus Christi, TX, Robin Cox, Corpus Christi, TX, Armon Alex, Corpus Christi, TX, Jim Klein, Corpus Christi, TX, Mariah Boone, Corpus Christi, TX, Conor Rice, Corpus Christi, TX, Brittnei Young, Corpus Christi, TX, Alberto A Zertuche, Corpus Christi, TX, Eli McKay, Corpus

Christi, TX, and Mike Culbertson, Corpus Christi, TX.

The following individuals submitted a written public comment which is attached to the minutes: Martha Morton, Corpus Christi, TX, Lori Jo Walker, Robstown, TX, Aaron Price, Ingleside, TX, Pat Craig, Corpus Christi, TX, Dale Switalla, Corpus Christi, TX, Arnold Guerra, Corpus Christi, TX, Julie Rogers, Corpus Christi, TX, and Sara Dolson, Corpus Christi, TX.

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned this meeting at 10:14 p.m.





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**Name**

Martha Morton

**Address**

2306 Restful Lane  
Corpus Christi, TX, 78418

**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 4

**Topic**

Inner Harbor vs. STWA desalination

**Agenda Item Number**

28

**Comment**

Hello Council Members:

I am respectfully asking each of you to support the STWA desalination project. The late June vote of 5-4 took place, and the contract should be signed now with Seven Seas, or another source. Please stop filibustering.

Look at the map around Corpus Christi. Please don't dump your water there. A pipeline already exists to Kingsville.

Our city model shows Western Water Supply will be empty by April 2027 and Inner Harbor will not be complete until August 2028 or after, and with substantial cost increases.

Please do not delay the STWA project. The contract can be signed with the understanding that the company must obtain the necessary TCEQ permits and do environmental studies required for permitting. Seven Seas is experienced.

This has been vacillating for too long. The citizens of Corpus Christi know what's going on. Is this ethical?

We deserve better.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of  
your submission.** martha.desimon@gmail.com



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**Name**

Lori Jo Walker

**Address**

5502 Covey Place  
Robstown, TX, 78380

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City Council

**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

No

**Topic**

Waive deadline to submit contract with South Texas Water Authority

**Agenda Item Number**

25-1167, 25-0564, 25-0263, 25-0787

### Comment

My name is Lori Jo Walker. I own property at 1205 and 1209 E CR 2360 in Riviera, Texas. I ask you to vote to waive the deadline for contract between the City of Corpus Christi and South Texas Water Authority. As I and many other stated last week, discharging into local waterways is environmentally reckless and unnecessary. I am not against desalination, but the discharge must be disposed of properly and without damage to our environment.

We ask that other methods of disposal be researched. All information regarding this project should be presented to the public with adequate time for discussion and comment. We all want growth and success for South Texas, but we need to proceed in a way that protects our residents and the environment we all live in and love.

In addition, I ask that you not rezone the Hillcrest area to industrial. This long enduring and important community deserves to remain in the area where they have built their lives.

Thank you for your service.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.** lorijowalker@aol.com



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**Name**

Aaron Price

**Address**

2061 Fourth st  
Ingleside, TX, 78362

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City Council

**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

No

**Topic**

Inner Harbor Desal/STWA Driscoll plant

**Agenda Item Number**

32&34

### Comment

1. Why has there been no proposal for the costs to put in a pipeline to pump the desal brine discharge 4-5 miles offshore? I have seen zero cost proposal, just people saying "its too expensive". That's not a good enough excuse. I want to see hard facts and data on costs.
2. When the DHI Modeling representative (gentlemen with an Australian accent) at the 7-15-24 meeting stated that the information in the model was proprietary, this is extremely alarming. You can literally go to the DHI website (<https://www.dhigroup.com/technologies/mikepoweredbydhi/pricing#ContactForm>) and order the software. Anyone can... There should be secondary checks to verify this model and its information are accurate and factual. Ask Texas A&M. Trust, but verify... If this model is wrong, you will see one of the worst environmental screw ups in the history of this city.
3. Seven Seas and STWA have been lacking transparency with the public. I have emailed both with simple questions, and zero response.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.** mrgofast27@aol.com





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**Name**

Pat Craig

**Address**

5925 Tapestry Dr  
Corpus Christi, TX, 78414

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City Council

**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

Yes

**What district do you reside in?**

District 5

**Topic**

Water

**Agenda Item Number**

28

### Comment

Please continue to pursue a contract with SWTA and Seven Seas. The contract should be very detailed and specific regarding the cost and the disposal of the discharge, which should not have a negative effect on our creeks, rivers or bays. Thank you for exploring this option, as well as other options that will give the residents water as soon as possible.



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**Name**

Dale Switalla

**Address**

2818 Hulbirt  
C.C., TX, 78407

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City Council

**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

Yes

**What district do you reside in?**

District 1

**Topic**

South Texas Water Authority project

**Agenda Item Number**

34 (25-1169)

### Comment

I support the South Texas Water Authority project. It costs us zero and we only buy the water if they produce it. We need cheap water and Seven Seas can give it to us. We only have to pay for the electricity to pump it here using the already existing pipe.

I also support going with the Evangeline system. These two water systems seem to be cheaper than the high-priced Desal plant which is now at 1.2 billion and only going up from that original \$220 million. Don't be fooled, look at what other USA Desal plants cost and are producing. Many others are not producing like what they promised and are out of service months of each year. Like when we sent 2 council members to visit one and found they were closed for repairs.

Last thing, those over-priced wells you are digging along the Nueces river could have been done by other companies for less than 1.2 million each. But at least they are giving us some water. Thank you.

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**Name**

Arnold Guerra

**Address**

2610 Windhollow  
Corpus Christi, Texas, 78414

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City Council

**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

Yes

**What district do you reside in?**

District 5

**Topic**

Rezoning of Hillcrest and desalination

**Agenda Item Number**

General public

### Comment

I am against the rezoning of Hillcrest neighborhood for heavy industry.  
I am not against desalination but do not feel that we the community should be paying the bill for it. We are the least consumers so industry should pay for it. I would also like for industry to build the pipeline to have the brine discharge 100 miles out and for it not to be done in the inner harbor.  
I would like to thank those of you that ask the questions on behalf of your constituents.  
The price tag for this desalination plant is outrageous and we all know that the city has a history of not caring for what they manage ( example) the ABC , the water gardens,the money spending at Hooks games the p- card usage for alcoholic beverages and food. That's just a few.  
Please do better.

Thank You.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.** talk.later@hotmail.com





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**Name**

Julie Rogers

**Address**

710 Furman Ave, Corpus Christi, TX  
Corpus Christi, TX, 78404

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**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

Yes

**What district do you reside in?**

District 1

**Topic**

Library Bond

**Agenda Item Number**

20

### Comment

Good Morning, please keep the ball rolling for the bond to renovate La Retama. It is the Central and Main Library and deserves to be treated that way. Right now, paint is peeling off the building and patrons can't see out the window to our beautiful Blucher Park, which is named after our first Librarian in Corpus Christi, Maria Blucher. The renovation will not only uplift the building but it will improve the whole area. In this case, you can judge a book by its cover, and the La Retama building and sign looks like we as a City don't care about public libraries. Let's show that we care and get the renovation done. I cannot attend the Council meeting today because we have a Friends of the Library Board meeting. I am grateful to be able to submit a written comment.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.**      rogersjuliet@gmail.com





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**Name**

Sara Dolson

**Address**

512 Ohio Ave.  
Corpus Christi, TX, 78404

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**Are you a resident of Corpus Christi?**

Yes

**What district do you reside in?**

District 2

**Topic**

Desal

**Agenda Item Number**

NA

### Comment

Please vote no to desalination! It's wildly expensive, only actually needed for industry (not residents), harmful for our environment and the residents of our city! Let's love and care for our residents and put them before profits. Please.

**Provide an email to receive a copy of your submission.** saramdolson@gmail.com