



# City of Corpus Christi

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## Meeting Minutes

### City Council Workshop Session

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Thursday, August 19, 2021

9:00 AM

City Council Chambers

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#### **FY 2022 Budget Workshop for Development Services, Parks & Recreation, Libraries, Health District, Neighborhood Services, and Asset Management Departments**

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

Mayor Guajardo called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

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

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

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

Note: Council Member Michael Hunter participated by telephone conference.

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

**C. BRIEFINGS TO CITY COUNCIL:**

1. [21-1003](#) FY 2022 Budget Workshop for Development Services, Parks & Recreation, Libraries, Health District, Neighborhood Services, and Asset Management Departments

Mayor Guajardo referred to Item 1.

Director of Public Health Annette Rodriguez presented information on the following topics: organization; FY2021 achievements; performance measures; public health services; FY2022 health district proposed budget: \$31.8M; FY2022 proposed budget city general fund: \$3.6M; FY2022 proposed capital budget; and FY2022 enhancement 1.

Council Members, Director Rodriguez, Director of Management and Budget Eddie Houlihan and City Manager Peter Zanoni discussed the following topics: a non-profit sailing program would offer sailing classes on the Bay; overtime expenses were not budgeted; statistics show that the 78415 zip code has the highest number of COVID cases and deaths; the health department is working on establishing vaccination clinics at

churches; Council Members would like to see the grant funds applied towards other physical activities and promote healthy living, not just sailing; the importance of promoting and marketing healthy living on social media; and most grant amounts are received annually.

Director of Development Services Al Raymond presented information on the following topics: mission statement; about development services; organization; FY2021 achievements; performance measures; services; FY2022 development services department proposed budget: \$13.1M; FY2022 proposed budget development services fund: \$13.1M; FY2022 enhancement 1; FY2022 enhancement 2; FY2022 enhancement 3; FY2022 enhancement 4; FY2022 enhancement 5; FY2022 enhancement 6; FY2022 enhancement 7; FY2022 enhancement 8; FY2022 enhancement 9; proposed revenue; increase to existing fees; new revenue-proposed fees; engineering services inspections; building scenarios-new residential; land development scenarios-zoning; land development scenarios; and developer agreement scenarios.

Council Members, Director Raymond, City Manager Peter Zanoni, Assistant Director of Development Services Nina Nixon Mendez, City Attorney Miles Risley and Assistant Director of Engineering Services Brett Van Hazel discussed the following topics: when new subdivisions are built the City does not charge the developer to go out and do inspections or the planning review; the first floor of Development Services is 11,000 square feet; a Council Member's concern of the 20% fee increase for storm water; the City is giving a \$1 million discount to CCISD; the building permit includes the inspection fees; commercial projects are evaluation based while residential projects are square footage based; a Council Member wants to ensure that there is equal recovery for services for both commercial and residential; CCISD gets a discount because they have to use the City for inspections; if a school outside the city limits does not follow the City's ordinances they won't receive a Certificate of Occupancy; the Frost Bank building will be paid by Development Services fund balance that will include a new parking lot; and the engineering team inspects anything that will be turned over to the City as infrastructure.

Interim Director of Parks and Recreation Dante Gonzalez presented information on the following topics: about Parks and Recreation; organization; FY2021 achievements; performance measures; services; FY2022 parks and recreation proposed budget: \$38.4M; FY2022 proposed budget general fund: \$24.1M; FY2022 proposed budget special revenue funds: \$8.0M; FY2022 proposed budget enterprise funds: \$4.9M; FY2022 proposed budget grant funds: \$1.4M; and FY2022 enhancements.

Council Members, Interim Director Gonzalez, Community Relations & Engagement Superintendent Lisa Oliver and Assistant City Manager Neiman Young discussed the following topics: the swim lessons will be \$50 per session per child; a master plan is in the budget for Labonte Park which will include an RV park, and new amenities will be installed; a Council Member's concern about addressing the flood issue at Labonte Park before adding any new amenities; a Council Member's concern that spending \$1 million dollars on two dog parks is an exorbitant amount of money; the proposed dog parks are

modeled after Bill Witt Park, and most of the expenses cover the cost of amenities for dog owners (e.g. restrooms); there has been a popular request from the community for additional dog parks; the tentative date to bring community enrichment funds to Council is August 31st; and there is a plan to replace more playgrounds in this budget.

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Guajardo adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.