

# CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP SESSION

# Wednesday, July 24, 2024 – 5:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.

Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.

### **MINUTES**

#### Call to order and announce a quorum is present.

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present at 5:04 p.m.

PRESENT
Mayor Brad Hyman
Councilwoman Mary Keys
Councilman Harold Cason
Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey
City Administrator Craig Lindholm
City Secretary Kathy Lovier
Assistant City Secretary Angie Pike

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Mark Huddleston and Councilman Martin Carrascosa

#### **Invocation and Pledges**

Councilwoman Keys lead the invocation and pledge.

#### **Citizen Participation**

No one spoke.

## Discussion Items and Mayor/Council/City Administrator Reports

Rate Study

Public Works Budget requests - Utilities departments

## 1. Rate Study

Grant Rabon with New Gen Strategies joined the Council via Zoom and went through the presentation again that he presented just to refresh Council's memory as to what they project. New Gen recommends doing the rate increase all at one time and to start charging for the first one thousand gallons. Mr. Rabon also stressed that we are below costs and we are not up to rates of cities around us.

Chad Pike, Public Works director presented the requests for Maintenance, Water and Wastewater departments. Council suggested that the fence violation at the Wastewater Treatment plant be repaired now before fines are assessed from TCEQ and that the tractor and shredder for the departments be purchased from the equipment fund in this budget cycle.

# Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys at 5:57 p.m. to close the meeting., Seconded by Councilman Cason. Voting Yea: Councilwoman Keys, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey

	/s/ Brad Hyman Brad Hyman – Mayor
ATTEST:	
_/s/ Kathy Lovier	
Kathy Lovier – City Secretary	