



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Monday, February 12, 2024 – 6:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

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### MINUTES

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

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and announced a quorum present.

#### **PRESENT**

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

#### **ABSENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Mark Huddleston

VISITORS See Attached

#### **Invocation and Pledges**

Council Woman Keys led the Invocation and Mayor Hyman led the pledges

New employees were introduced for the police department, animal control, main street, public works and administration.

#### **Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes 1/8/2024  
January 2024 financial report

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

#### **Citizen Participation (3 minutes) No One Spoke**

#### **Public Hearing**

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a request made by Christopher Johnson agent for Rade Parker and CIP Trading to re-plot their property located at 440 I-30 W, Mt. Vernon, Texas.

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a budget amendment to the 2023/2024 budget, adding staff positions and costs thereof, moving funds from salary to education in police budget, adding funds to

special project (land clearing) at wastewater treatment plant, and purchase of equipment for the Maintenance Department.

Mayor Hyman closed the regular session at 6:14 pm and opened the public hearing. Chris Johnson spoke in favor of the re-plat request. Ricky Rutherford spoke in favor of the re-plat request and made the council aware of a possible water concerns regarding an adjacent property.

No one spoke for or against the budget amendment.

Mayor Hyman closed the public hearing at 6:23 pm and re-opened the regular session.

**Items to be Considered:**

2. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-01 re-platting 440 I-30 W, Mt Vernon, Texas from one lot into two lots.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

3. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-03 amending the 2023/2024 budget.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilman Carrascosa.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

4. Consider and act upon approval of awarding bid for Raw Water Pump Station Improvement KSA Project #122435 to SGL Utility Contractors, LLC of Gilmer, Texas with lowest bid of \$720,787.70.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

5. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-02 amending Chapter 5 of ordinances adding section 5-27 installation of solar panels in residential areas.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilman Carrascosa.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

6. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-05 regarding retirement eligibility being 20 years with Texas Municipal Retirement System.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilman Carrascosa.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

7. Consider and act upon approval of Resolution 24-01 ordering 2024 General Election on May 4, 2024.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

8. Consider and act upon Resolution 24-02 for the Police Department for a Body Armor Rifle Resistant grant.

Motion made by Councilman Carrascosa, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

9. Consider and act upon approval of Resolution 24-03 for the Police Department for the Stop Stick grant.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

10. Consider and act upon approval of Resolution 24-04 Body Worn Camera Grant for the Police Department.

Motion made by Councilman Carrascosa, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

11. Consider and act upon approval of Resolution 24-05 Control the Bleed First Aid Grant for the Police Department.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

12. Consider and act upon approval of TIPS Purchasing Cooperative membership contract.

Motion made by Councilman Carrascosa, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

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

City Administrator Lindholm advised the council that TWDB is ready to analyze the city's application for \$1.7 million for engineering costs for infrastructure needs. He advised that the RV park water and sewer tap lines are to be laid soon. Will have bids within a few days for the retaining wall around the square. He also encouraged the council and citizens to look at the website and sign up for the "Text my Gov" widget.

#### **Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting**

Motion made by Councilman Cason at 7:00 pm to close meeting, Seconded by Councilman Carrascosa.

Voting Yea: Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilman Carrascosa

/s/ Brad Hyman

**Brad Hyman – Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Kathy Lovier

**Kathy Lovier – City Secretary**