



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

**Monday, March 11, 2024 – 6:00 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.*

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### MINUTES

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

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm and announced a quorum present.

#### **PRESENT**

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

#### **ABSENT**

Councilman Martin Carrascosa

VISITORS See Attached

#### **Invocation and Pledges**

City Secretary Lovier led the Invocation and Mayor Hyman led the pledges

#### **Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes 2/12/2024 & February 2024 Financial Statement  
Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey
2. Child Abuse Awareness Proclamation  
Mayor Hyman read the proclamation aloud for citizens and guests.

#### **Report on Items of Community Interest**

Mayor Hyman congratulated the Mt. Vernon high schools' One Act Play students on their recent district championship.

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

#### **Executive Session**

3. Enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, the Council will convene into closed session to Consider the City Administrator Contract
4. Council will close the executive session and reconvene into Open Session to Consider Matters Discussed in Closed Session
5. Action from Executive Session - The City Council may take action on any Executive Session Item
6. Enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.087, to discuss or deliberate regarding economic development negotiations regarding commercial or financial information.

Enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072, to discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

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Council entered into closed session at 6:04 pm

Council re-convened into open session at 6:24 pm

### **Public Hearing**

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a budget amendment to the 2023/2024 budget, for the purpose of deliberation regarding real property.

Mayor Hyman opened the public hearing at 6:24 pm

No Comments

Public Hearing closed at 6:25 pm

### **Items to be Considered:**

9. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance No. 2024-05, adjusting the waste collection portion of the fee schedule  
Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilman Cason.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey
10. Consider and approve Ordinance 2024-06, cancelling the General Election for May 2024  
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilman Cason.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey
11. Consider and act upon approval of KSA Task Order #102755 for improvements to Gadlin Street.  
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey
12. Consider and act upon approval of contract with City Administrator  
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey
13. Consider and Act upon Approval of Budget Amendment for Economic Development within the City  
Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilman Cason.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

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

Fire Chief Clasby gave a presentation showing the history of the department, call volume statistics and identifying a need for more availability for services during peak hours. Clasby explained that the department will be moving forward with part-time employees; as approved in the current budget.

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

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston at 7:00 pm, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

/s/ Brad Hyman

**Brad Hyman – Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

/s/ Kathy Lovier

**Kathy Lovier – City Secretary**