

The Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting

CITY OF GOLIAD

February 13, 2019

MINUTES

The regularly scheduled Goliad City Council Meeting was held on February 13, 2019, at 6:37 PM. in the Goliad City Hall, located at 152 W. End Street in Goliad, Texas. The following Council members were present or absent as recorded below:

Mayor Trudia Preston	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Luis Rodriguez	Present
Councilwoman Mary Burns	Absent
Councilwoman Robin Alaniz	Present via video conferencing
Councilman Charles Benavides	Present
Councilwoman Mary Gleinser	Present

The following staff members were also present:

Barbara Boulware-Wells, City Attorney  
Keli Miller – Main Street Director  
Sherry Kuenstler – Finance Director  
Earl Henning – Public Works Director  
Kandi Hubert – City Administrator/Secretary

Mayor Preston called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. and announced that there was a quorum present.

The invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and the pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flag were led by Mayor Preston.

**Citizens Comments – Limited to three minutes - No Council Action shall be taken.**

There were none.

**REPORTS**

- **Financial Officer’s written report**
- **Main Street written report**
- **Public Works written report**
- **City Administrator’s Report**

The reports were accepted as presented.

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## **Consent Agenda**

**All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items, unless requested by a Council member in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.**

- **Bills Paid**
- **January 23, 2019 minutes**

Councilman Benavides moved to approve the consent agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0.

### **Presentation by Chris Janecek, City Auditor ref: the 2017-2018 General Fund and Enterprise Fund Budget.**

Mr. Janecek presented the City's audit for the fiscal year 10/1/17 – 9/30/18.

#### **Discuss, consider and take necessary action(s) regarding the 2017-2018 audit.**

Mayor Pro Tem Luis Rodriguez moved to approve the 2017-2018 General Fund and Enterprise Fund Budget. The motion was seconded by Councilman Benavides. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Discussion with the City engineer John Mercer regarding needed street repair and/or renovation.**

City Engineer John Mercer addressed the City Council regarding needed street repairs referring to Fannin to San Patricio Street, the road by Dairy Queen and various other streets that need repair.

#### **Discuss, consider and take necessary action(s) regarding Street projects.**

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to have the project move forward and requested Mr. Mercer submit preliminary estimates on the Fannin Street project. The project may commence contingent on financing. The motion was Seconded by Councilman Gleinser. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0. At this time there is \$313,000.00 in the City's budget for streets and \$300,000.00. in a reserve account.

#### **Discuss, Consider and necessary action(s) on bids received for a pumper fire truck.**

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to award the Fire Truck bid to Municipal Fire Co., the amount \$285,943.66 after trade in. The final amount will be \$282,943.66. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Gleinser. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Mayor Opened the Public Hearing on a reinvestment zone in the City of Goliad at 7:25 pm.

1. Presentation by Applicant.

The owners of the Texan - Denise and Brian Dlugosch spoke saying they would like to open a convenience store in Goliad, Texas and intend to ask for an abatement, however prior to them coming, the site they have chosen will need to be adopted as a reinvestment zone. The Dlugosch's have stated that they intend to build a state-of-the-art convenience store. It will be 9,000+ square feet and enable 18 wheelers and residents enough room to navigate. They intend to serve food and insured the City Council they intend to hire 20-25 local residents to work there.

2. Residents for the proposed reinvestment zone.

The Mayor read portions of Director Nelson's Facebook page that had numerous comments regarding abatement and the reinvestment that is being contemplated. The majority of the posts were in favor of the zone.

Wally Saage appeared before the City Council and voiced his approval of the reinvestment zone.

Bobby Burnet spoke before the City Council and added his support regarding the reinvestment zone.

3. Residents against the proposed reinvestment zone. - There was no one present to speak against the reinvestment zone
4. City Council comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez stated he was in favor of the zone as the company requesting the change and abatement have a business model that is advantageous to its employees.

Councilwoman Gleinser spoke highly of the project contemplating on making Goliad a business site.

Councilman Benavides agreed and stated that the City is ready to move forward.

The Mayor agreed with the City Council and wants the City of Goliad to move forward.

As there were no further residents to comment and the City Council had voiced their opinions the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:40 pm.

**Discuss, Consider and necessary action(s) to designate a reinvestment zone in the City of Goliad.**

Councilman Benavides moved to approve Ordinance 2-13-2019-1, (describing the location of the proposed zone) designating a reinvestment zone in the City of Goliad. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Preston moved item 15 "Discuss, consider and take necessary action(s) regarding the ownership and responsibility for maintenance, restoration, and/or renovation of the grounds under and around the abandoned railroad crossing and bridge on Hwy. 183." This item is to be discussed after Executive Session.

**The City Council went into Executive Session at 7:46 p.m. in accordance with the *TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE*; Section 551.071 (Advice from Consul), Section 551.087 (Economic Development) and Section 1.05 Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct regarding:**

1. Amendment to Absolute Waste Service Contract
2. Possible Economic Development Incentives.

**Council reconvened after Executive Session at 8:54 pm.**

**Discuss, Consider and vote on items discussed in Executive Session.:**

Councilman Benavides moved to proceed with action discussed in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

**Discuss, consider and take necessary action(s) regarding the ownership and responsibility for maintenance, restoration, and/or renovation of the grounds under and around the abandoned railroad crossing and bridge on Hwy 183.**

Councilwoman Gleinser moved to table the aforementioned item until the next City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Benavides. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

**Council and Staff Comments.**

There were none.

**Items to be placed on the next agenda.**

- Solicit Bids for Auditorium cleaning staff.
- Tax Abatement proposal
- WSP contract
- Absolute Waste Contract
- Emergency Management Co-Ordinator.
- Sister City/ Cinco de Mayo

**Upcoming events**

The Chamber Banquet 2/21/2019

Main Street Style Show 4/6/2019

There being no further business to come before the body, Councilman Benavides moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:28 pm.

Passed and Approved this 27th day of February 2019.

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Mayor Trudia Preston

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Attest: Kandi M. Hubert

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