

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

August 14, 2018

9:00 A.M.

The City Commission of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met on August 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Commission Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

JIM MCKENZIE, Mayor

LARRY MAY, Mayor Pro Tem

JEROD PEEK, Commissioner

JIM LEE, Commissioner

DAVID A. VELA, City Manager

PATTY TORRES, City Secretary

PETE SHERIDAN, City Attorney

ABSENT: RICKY CASTRO, City Commissioner

Staff Members present: City Services Director Kirk Harris, Public Works Director Russell Jones, Utilities Director Eddy Campbell, Chief of Police Brian Frieda, Director of Administrative Services Lisa Adames, SNAP Director Tonya Challis and IT Director Zach Adames.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Ashley Barnes with Trinity Baptist Church gave the invocation.
3. Commissioner Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and the Texas Flags.
4. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Peek, to approve the minutes for the meeting held on July 10, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Action Items
 - A. Presentation was made by Karen Hunt, Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce Executive Director and Terry Locklar Nolan County Coliseum General manager spoke on banner program.

Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to install banners on Newman Park City property. The motion carried unanimously.

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- B. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve a Resolution of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, authorizing the submission of a contract amendment request for Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Contract Number 7217451 between the City and the Texas Department of Agriculture. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF RESOLUTION IS IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIV PAGES 1212-1213.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) CONTRACT NUMBER 7217451 BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

- C. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem May to enter into public hearing on an ordinance to rezone a thirty-eight (38) acre, more or less, tract in section 51, block 22, T&P railroad surveys in Nolan County, Texas; identified as parcel ID 17976, account number N0280-0004-00 in Nolan County Central Appraisal District records; which consists of approximately 22.5 acres which is currently zoned "E" dwelling district; all to a "K" industrial district. The motion carried unanimously.

Public comments: Ken Becker MDD Executive Director spoke of the need of rezone.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Peek to close public hearing and enter into regular session. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve an ordinance to rezone a thirty-eight (38) acre, more or less, tract in section 51, block 22, T&P railroad surveys in Nolan County, Texas; identified as parcel ID 17976, account number N0280-0004-00 in Nolan County Central Appraisal District records; which consist of approximately 22.5 acres which is currently zoned "E" dwelling district; all to a "K" ;industrial district. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IS IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIV PAGES 1214-1216.

AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS, TO REZONE A THIRTY-EIGHT (38) ACRE, MORE OR LESS, TRACT IN SECTION 51, BLOCK 22, T & P

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RAILROAD SURVEYS IN NOLAN COUNTY, TEXAS; IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL ID 17976, ACCOUNT NUMBER N0280-0004-00 IN NOLAN COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT RECORDS; WHICH CONSISTS OF APPROXIMATELY 15.5 ACRES WHICH IS CURRENTLY ZONED AS A "B" DWELLING DISTRICT AND APPROXIMATELY 22.5 ACRES WHICH IS CURRENTLY ZONED "E" DWELLING DISTRICT; ALL TO A "K" INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT.

- D. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem May to approve authorizing staff to advertise for bids for fuel, oil and lubrication products and hot mix cold lay asphalt for use from October 2018 through September 2019 and to advertise in the newspaper August 19, 2018 and August 26, 2018, with bids to open at a public meeting on September 10, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. City Commission opened proposals on Group Health, Dental and Life Insurance Employee Benefit for FY 2018 -2019. The proposals were taken by Nancy Johnson with Tommy Morris Agency, Broker of Record to analyze and review. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Peek to table until the September 11, 2018 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
- F. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Peek to enter into public hearing on repealing Chapter 4 entitled "Alarm Systems" of the code of ordinances of the City of Sweetwater and adopting a superseding ordinance, Chapter 4 entitled "Alarm Systems." The motion carried unanimously.

Public comments: Randy Wilks with Sierra Security spoke about his business and interest in ordinance. Mark McDonald had question regarding false alarms.

Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem May to close public hearing and enter into regular session. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve second and final reading on the repealing of Chapter 4 entitled "Alarm Systems" of the code of ordinances of the City of Sweetwater and adopting a superseding ordinance, Chapter 4 entitled "Alarm Systems" with changes on Section 4-G and changing "City Council" to "City's Governing body." The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IS IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIV PAGES 1217-1227.

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AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED "ALARM SYSTEMS" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER AND ADOPTING A SUPERCEDING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED "ALARM SYSTEMS"; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR ALARM SYSTEMS IN BUSINESSES AND RESIDENCES AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE AND CREATING AN EMERGENCY.

- G. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Peek to approve, with any changes for typos and grammar that are later discovered, an ordinance calling a special election to be held in the City of Sweetwater on November 6, 2018 for the purpose of amending the home rule charter; making provision for the conduct of the election; and resolving other matters incident and related to such election and declaring an effective date.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IS IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XIV PAGES 1228-1301.

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF SWEETWATER ON NOVEMBER 6, 2018 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE HOME RULE CHARTER; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- H. Presentation was made by Sean Thompson with Texas Municipal Retirement System.
- I. Presentation was made by City Manager, David A. Vela on FY19 budget.
- J. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve scheduling a public hearing for September 11, 2018 on the Proposed Budget for FYE 2018-2019. The motion carried unanimously.
- K. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve scheduling public hearings for September 11, 2018 and September 18, 2018 to discuss Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.497423 per \$100 valuation for Tax Year 2018. The motion carried unanimously.
6. City Manager's Report
- A. Distinguished Budget Presentation Award
 - B. Texas Communities Group – Trust Properties for Sale
 - C. Employee Policy Manual re-write

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7. Public Input. Randy Wilks asked if ladder truck at the fire training field was repairable.
8. Motion was made by Commissioner Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem May to enter into closed session. pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, (Personnel Matters). The motion carried unanimously.
9. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem May, seconded by Commissioner Lee to reconvene into regular session. The motion carried unanimously.
10. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Peek to raise the City Manager's salary by 6.6%. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Commissioner Lee made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Peek to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Jim McKenzie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Randy Wilks, Jeremy Wilks, Scott Lambert, Nancy Johnson, Ken Becker, Sean Thompson, Mark McDonald Nathan Harvell, Crystal Smith, Kristy Tyra, Ray Cornutt, Terry Locklar and Karen Hunt