

CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS

MINUTES OF: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DATE OF MEETING: FEBRUARY 28, 2022
TIME OF MEETING: 5:30 PM
PLACE OF MEETING: 121 WEST SECOND STREET FORT STOCKTON, TX 79735

ROLL CALL WAS ANSWERED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: DARREN HODGES, JAMES WARNOCK, PAM PALILEO, PAUL CASIAS, RUBEN FALCON

MAYOR: JOE CHRIS ALEXANDER
CITY MANAGER: FRANK RODRIGUEZ III
CITY SECRETARY: MARINA CANTU
CITY ATTORNEY: PUJA BOINPALLY

Mayor Alexander called the Regular Meeting to Order at 5:31 p.m. after declaring a quorum present.

Mayor Alexander read the Mission Statement:

"The Mission of the City of Fort Stockton Municipal Government is to Promote & Value Public Confidence and Trust by the Accountable and Responsible Use of Community Resources; to Ensure Public Safety; Improve Public Services; Promote Local Recreation and Entertainment; and Generate Economic Development.

Council Member Hodges gave the Invocation.

Council Member Warnock led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America Flag & the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. **City Manager Frank Rodriguez III**---
 - City Manager's Report

City Manager Rodriguez presented the following employees with a Certificate of Appreciation for their hard work and dedication:

- Carlos Ibarra
- Alfredo Armendariz

- Petronilo Salinas
- Jesus Gonzalez
- Salvador Caballero
- Efrain Acosta
- Marina Cantu
- Sara Mata
- Maria Rodriguez

2. **Interim Public Works Director Luis Guerra----**

- Annual Street Plan
- Update regarding Street Repairs & Projects

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to table the Presentation from Interim Public Works Director Luis Guerra on the Annual Street Plan and Update regarding Street Repairs & Projects. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

CONSENT AGENDA:

3. All matters listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Minutes: (Mayor)

- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council, 02/14/2022
- Special Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council 02/23/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Economic Development 4-A Corporation, 01/20/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Economic Development 4-B Corporation, 01/20/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Housing Authority Board, 01/20/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Convention & Visitor's Bureau, 01/18/2022

- Special Workshop Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Convention & Visitor's Bureau, 02/02/2022
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Animal Control Advisory Board, 10/07/2021

Accounts Payable Grand Total: \$942,209.73

Motion was made by Council Member James Warnock, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to approve Consent Agenda, as presented. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

RESOLUTIONS:

4. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 22-102R, Regarding the Annual Review of the Current City of Fort Stockton Investment Policy Manual. **(City Mgr./Dir. of Fin.)**

Director of Finance Maria Rodriguez explained there have not been any changes to the City of Fort Stockton Investment Policy Manual; however, it is required that City Council review the Manual for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

The current interest rates are low; therefore, no changes have been made.

The current LOGIC interest rate is at 0.12%. The City of Fort Stockton is getting better interest rates at our local bank.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution No. 22-102R, Regarding the Annual Review of the Current City of Fort Stockton Investment Policy Manual. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

5. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 22-103R, Appointing a City Representative to the Pecos County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2022-2023 Term. **(Mayor)**

Mayor Alexander explained Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias has served as the City's Representative for the Pecos County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Council Member Palileo nominated Council Member Falcon as the City Representative for the Pecos County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Motion was made by Council Member Pam Palileo, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, and carried unanimously to approve Resolution No. 22-103R, Appointing Council Member Ruben Falcon as the City Representative to the Pecos County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2022-2023 Term. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

6. Discuss/Act upon Easement Agreement for Utilities between the City of Fort Stockton and Roy Kevin Johnson and Debra Kay Johnson being out of and a part of T. & S.T.L. RR. Co. Block 146, Survey 27, Abstract No. 3714. **(City Mgr./P.W. Dir.)**

Assistant City Manager Jesse Gonzales explained that Mr. Johnson originally had a survey prepared which had a utility easement running across someone else's property. In order to accommodate both property owners the utility easement was redirected and run through Mr. Johnson's property. Therefore, another survey is required for the proper legal description, which will be utilized to grant the City access to the utility line.

Mr. Johnson explained that the survey is scheduled, he is just waiting until his surveyor is available.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to table the Easement Agreement for Utilities between the City of Fort Stockton and Roy Kevin Johnson and Debra Kay Johnson being out of and part of T.&S.T.L. RR. Co., Block 146, Survey 27, Abstract No. 3714. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

7. Discuss/Act upon Easement Agreement for the following Utilities Easements located at the City Landfill located at 256 Moody Road:**(City Mgr./P.W. Dir.)**
- 20 Foot Wide Utility Easement in the J. Burleson Survey, Abstract 4, Pecos County Texas, said Easement being over, across and under Tract 11, Section 4, Block 2, FORT STOCKTON IRRIGATED LANDS COMPANY SUBDIVISION as recorded in Volume 1, Page 26, Plat Records of the Pecos County, Texas. *(Scale House)*
 - 20 Foot Wide Utility Easement in the J Burleson Survey, Abstract 4, Pecos County Texas, said Easement being over, across and under Tract 22, Section 4, Block 2, FORT STOCKTON IRRIGATED LANDS COMPANY SUBDIVISION as recorded in Volume 1, Page 26, Plat Records of Pecos County, Texas. *(Shop Building)*

Assistant City Manager Jesse Gonzales explained that these easements are for Texas New Mexico Power Company to provide services to the Scale House and Shop Building at the City Landfill located at 956 Moody Road.

Texas New Mexico Power Company is scheduled to connect power to those facilities within the next 30 days.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member James Warnock, and carried unanimously to approve the Easement Agreements for the following Utilities Easements located at the City Landfill located at 256 Moody Road:

- **20-Foot-Wide Utility Easement in the J. Burleson Survey, Abstract 4, Pecos County, Texas, said Easement being over, across and under Tract 11, Section 4, Block 2, FORT STOCKTON IRRIGATED LANDS COMPANY SUBDIVISION as recorded in Volume 1, Page 26, Plat Records of the Pecos County, Texas. (*Scale House*)**
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Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

8. Discuss/Act upon Engagement Letter for the December 31, 2021 OPEB Valuation and the GASB 75 Valuation Reports for Fiscal Years ending 2022 and 2023 between the City of Fort Stockton and Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company. (City Mgr./Dir. of Fin.)

Director of Finance Maria Rodriguez explained she was requesting permission to approve the Engagement Letter for Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company to conduct the OPEB Valuation of the GASB 75. The estimated cost of services is \$11,085.00; 30% is due upon signing of the Engagement Letter, 40% is due upon completion and the other 30% is for the following year. This will give the City of Fort Stockton an idea of what their liability is for their retirees.

Motion was made by Council Member James Warnock, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to approve Engagement Letter for the December 31, 2021 OPEB Valuation and the GASB 75 Valuation Reports for Fiscal Years ending 2022 and 2023 between the City of Fort Stockton and Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

9. Discuss/Act upon Amended Notice of the City of Fort Stockton General & Special Election for May 7, 2022; with Early Voting from April 25, 2022 - May 3, 2022 to Elect Three (3) Council Members and Reauthorize the Local Sales and Use Tax in the City of Fort Stockton at the Rate of One-Fourth (1/4) of One Percent to Continue Providing Revenue for Maintenance and Repair of Municipal Streets. **(Mayor/City Sec.)**

City Secretary Cantu explained that the County originally agreed to hold the City General and Special Election at the Pecos County Annex Building, Election Room; however, due to the Constitutional Amendment Election being held at the same time, the polling locations must be utilized. Therefore, the polling locations for Precincts 1, 2, 7 & 10 will be utilized for Election Day. Early Voting will be held at the Pecos County Annex Building, Election Room. The Notice of City of Fort Stockton General & Special Election for May 7, 2022 has been amended to reflect this change.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to approve the Amended Notice of the City of Fort Stockton General & Special Election for May 7, 2022; with Early Voting from April 25, 2022 - May 3, 2022 to Elect Three (3) Council Members and Reauthorize the Local Sales and Use Tax in the City of Fort Stockton at the Rate of One-Fourth (1/4) of One Percent to Continue Providing Revenue for Maintenance and Repair of Municipal Streets. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.

Mayor Alexander recessed from the Regular Meeting to Convene into Executive Session at 5:57 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. **City Council may Convene in Closed Session in Accordance with Texas Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Concerning Attorney-Client Matters (Section 551.071); Deliberation regarding Real Property (Section 551.072); Deliberation regarding Prospective Gifts (Section 551.073); Personnel Matters (Section 551.074); Deliberation regarding Security Devices (Section 551.076); and/or Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations (Section 551.087):**
- a. Purchase of Real Property for New Recreation Facility.

Mayor Alexander closed the Executive Session to Reconvene into the Regular Meeting at 6:49 p.m.

REGULAR BUSINESS CONTINUED:

11. Reconvene into Open Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.102 & Take Action, if any, on Matters Deliberated in Executive Session:
 - 10a. Discuss/Act upon Purchase of Real Property for New Recreation Facility.

NO ACTION TAKEN

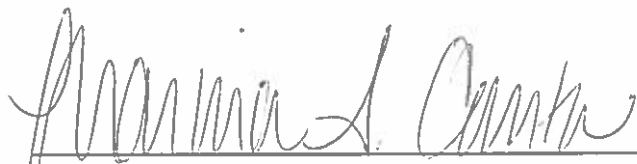
12. Questions from Media
The media did not have any questions.
13. Adjourn

Motion was made by Council Member Ruben Falcon, seconded by Council Member Pam Palileo, and carried unanimously to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:50 p.m. Council Member James Warnock, Council Member Pam Palileo, Mayor Pro-Tem Paul Casias, Council Member Ruben Falcon, Council Member Darren Hodges voted aye.



Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor

ATTEST:



Marina A. Cantu, City Secretary