



MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
HITCHCOCK CITY COUNCIL
HITCHCOCK CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
7423 HIGHWAY 6, HITCHCOCK, TEXAS
September 12, 2023, 6:00 P.M.

1. Called to Order by Mayor Chris Armacost at 6:00 pm.

Members Present:

Mayor Chris Armacost
Councilmember Mary Combs Demby
Councilmember Morris Tuck
Councilmember Andre Perkins
Marie Gelles, City Manager
Debbie C. Nesbitt, City Secretary

Leroy Thomas, Public Works Director
Monio Mark, II, Finance Director
Arnold Cross, Jr. Comm. Dev. Director
Wilmon Smith, Chief of Police
Brian Rusk, Lieutenant

Members Absent:

Councilmember Shawn Kadlecek

Invocation led by Councilwoman Mary Combs Demby

2. Citizen Comments:

None

Proclamation and Recognition:

3. Proclamation commemorating Constitution Week, September 17- 23, 2023, in celebration of the U.S. Constitution. (Susan Polk, representing, the George Washington Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution)

Mayor Armacost presented Susan Polk, and Joanna Wilson from the George Washington Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution with a Proclamation commemorating Constitution Week.

Public Hearings:

4. Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rate.

The public hearing opened at 6:03 pm. on the Proposed Tax Rate, with no comments made, the public hearing closed at 6:04 pm.

5. Public Hearing on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Budget.

The public hearing opened at 6:04 pm. on the Proposed FY 2024 budget, with no comments made, the public hearing closed at 6:05 pm.

- 6. Specific Use Permit Request submitted by Pilar Vagner to allow a mobile/manufactured home to be placed on the property located at 6310 N. Railroad Property ID 169623. Legal Description ABST 182 J STEPHENS SUR PT OF LOT 16 (16-3) FOUNTAINBLEAU SUB, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas.**

The public hearing opened at 6:06 pm. with no comments made, the public hearing closed at 6:06 pm.

- 7. Specific Use Permit Request submitted by Dora Hernandez to allow a mobile/manufactured home to be placed on the property located at 5817 Florida Ave Property ID 170070 Legal Description ABST 26 PAGE 6 LOT 4 BLOCK 6 WITTJEN ADDN # 8, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas.**

The public hearing opened at 6:06 pm.

Blanca Gomez, Mrs. Hernandez's daughter, addressed the Council and explained her mother purchased the property, thinking it had a Special Use Permit, to be able to put a mobile home, not knowing the permit would not transfer with the property, one had been issued and approved in May 2023.

Kristi Henry, the real estate agent, spoke on behalf of Mrs. Hernandez and explained she was not aware that also the permit would not be transferred with the property.

Minnie Shelton, lives on Florida Ave. voiced her concerns about placing a mobile home on Florida Ave. with the flooding issues in that area and they would need to do a lot of things to keep it from flooding, she wants to improve the area and not put more mobile homes on the street, and she asks Council to deny the permit.

- 8. Zone Change Request submitted by Joseph Rodriquez from Agriculture Residential (AR) to Single Family Residential (SFR) for the property located at 7402 Blimp Base Blvd. Property ID 718646 Legal Description ABST 48 L CRAWFORD SUR TR 23-2-7, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas.**

The public hearing opened at 6:11 pm. with no comments made, the public hearing closed at 6:12 pm.

Items for Individual Consideration:

- 9. Discussion and appropriate action on a Specific Use Permit request by Pilar Vagner to allow a mobile/manufactured home to be placed on property located at 6310 N. Railroad; Property ID 169623: Legal Description ABST 182 J STEPHENS SUR PT OF LOT 16 (16-3) FOUNTAINBLEAU SUB, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)**

Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director presented to Council the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Committee to deny the Special Use Permit for Pilar Vagner. Councilmember Tuck made the motion to deny the Special Use Permit as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee. Seconded by Councilwoman Demy. Motion passed to deny the permit.

- 10. Discussion and appropriate action on a Specific Use Permit request by Dora Hernandez to allow a mobile/manufactured home to be placed on property located at 5817 Florida Ave. Property ID 170070; Legal Description ABST 26 PAGAE 6 LOT 4 BLOCK 6 WITTJEN ADDN # 8, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)**

Arnold Cross, Jr. Community Development Director presented to Council the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee to deny the Special Use Permit for Dora Hernandez. Councilmember Perkins made the motion to deny the Special Use Permit as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee. Seconded by Councilwoman Demby. Motion passed to deny the permit.

- 11. Discussion and appropriate action on a Zone Change Request by Joseph Rodriguez from Agriculture Residential (AR) to Single Family Residential (SFR) for the property located at 7402 Blimp Base Blvd. Property ID 718646: Legal Description ABST 48 L CRAWFORD SUR TR 23-2-7, Hitchcock, Galveston County, Texas. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)**

Arnold Cross, Jr. Community Development Director presented to Council the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee to approve the zone change request from Joseph Rodriguez. Councilmember Tuck made the motion to approve the zone change from Agriculture Residential to Single Family Residential. Seconded by Councilwoman Demby. Motion passed to approve.

- 12. Discussion, review, and possible action regarding the preliminary plat submitted by Techpro Properties, Joseph Millil, for Hitchcock Village located at 8920 Schiro Road, Hitchcock, Galveston County Texas 77563. Property ID 156798: Legal Description ABST 13 W H JACK SUR LOT 1 THRU 24 MANOR LEA & ADJ ROW UND INT 8.909 acres. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)**

Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director presented to the Council the recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Committee to approve the preliminary plat plan submitted by Techpro Properties, Joseph Millil, on the new Hitchcock Village subdivision project. Councilmember Perkins made the motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Hitchcock Village project. Seconded by Councilmember Tuck. Motion passed to approve.

- 13. Discussion and appropriate action regarding a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Hitchcock, Texas to enter into a contract with Galveston County Sheriff's Office to provide services to hold municipal prisoners in the County Jail. (Wilmon Smith, Chief of Police)**

Lieutenant Brian Rusk addressed the Council to explain the need for this contract with Galveston County Sheriff's Office to give the Police Department the ability to be able to hold municipal prisoners. Council Member Perkins made the motion to approve the contract. Seconded by Councilwoman Demby. Motion passed.

- 14. Discussion and appropriate action regarding a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Hitchcock, Texas approving the purchase of certain real property and authorizing the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to effectuate and fund the purchase. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)**

City Manager Marie Gelles recommended that the Council approve a Resolution to purchase property. Council Member Perkins made the motion to approve the purchase. Seconded by Councilwoman Demby. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

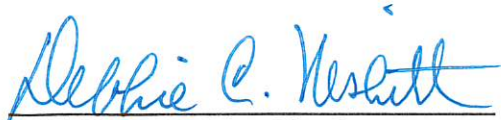
None

- 15. Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Armacost at 6:29 pm.



Christopher Armacost, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Debbie C. Nesbitt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Debbie C. Nesbitt, City Secretary