

**City Of Vidor
Vidor City Council
Regular Meeting
January 27, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councilmember Kelly Carder
Councilmember Nicole McGowan
Councilmember Jerry Aldridge
Councilmember Jessica Barker
Councilmember Gary Herrera
Councilmember Jane Hill

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Misty Songe

Administrative Personnel: Robbie Hood, City Manager; Sandra Howard City Attorney; Betty Strong, City Secretary; Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting; and, Rod Carroll, Police Chief

A. OPENING, PRESENTATIONS, AND CITIZENS COMMENTS

A -1. Call to order and the establishment of a Quorum

A quorum was present, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council began at 7:00 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Nicole McGowan presiding.

Nicole McGowan, Mayor Pro Tem called for a moment of silence for Office Chris Berry.

A -2. Invocation and Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag

Nicole McGowan, Mayor Pro Tem, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag.

A -3. Citizen Comments

Dennis Wise 619 Mills St. Raleigh NC from Recyclops gave an overview of the company's recycling offerings for our city stating they are in eighteen (18) states and over one hundred seven (107) different municipalities currently. Mr. Wise gave council and staff handouts about Recyclops along with his contact information.

B. COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

B -1. Approval of Accounts Paid:

Paid Invoices:

**General Fund - \$209,111.02
Child Safety - \$311.77
MCBSF - \$125.39
Emergency Management - \$510.32
CDBG Fund - \$50,598.10
Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund - \$8,020.00
Juvenile Case Manager Fund - \$39.90
Proprietary Fund - \$26,076.78**

B -2. Approval of Minutes:

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- B -3.** Ratification of the transfer of funds from Interest & Sinking 2013 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-Capital One Bank account to Interest & Sinking 2008/2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-TexPool account in the following amounts:

January 13, 2022:	\$ 78,333.04
January 21, 2021:	\$ 8,545.84

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Carder, to **APPROVE THE COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

- B -4.** Ratification of the payment of the monthly sales tax in the amount of \$6,271.04 for December out of General Account/Pooled Cash

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Barker, to **APPROVE THE RATIFICATION OF THE MONTHLY SALES TAX**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

- C -1.** Discussion and possible action to approve BLX Group's arbitrage rebate analysis on the City's 2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds for the period of December 20, 2016 to December 20, 2021

Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting explained the study is necessary every five (5) years for the IRS.

A motion was made by Councilmember Herrera, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **APPROVE THE BLX GROUP REBATE ANALYSIS**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

- C -2.** Report and discussion regarding receipt of award from Government Finance Officers' Association

Robbie Hood, City Manager explained the award and congratulated Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting for meeting this requirement.

No motion necessary

- C -3.** Consideration and possible action regarding the City's Depository Contract with First Financial Bank which ends May 31, 2022

Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting gave an overview of the possible timeline and the need to go out for bids for a bank. She also provided a calendar of events. To her knowledge there is possibly the two (2) banks First Financial and PNC that are in town for us to use.

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Herrera, to **APPROVE Action regarding the City's Depository Contract**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -4. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution approving the City's Remote Work Policy.

Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting explained the need for this and the nature as to why it is needed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Barker, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **APPROVE THE REMOTE WORK POLICY**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -5. Consideration and/or possible approval of an ORDINANCE calling for the elections of three (3) Council members in a City Elections to be held on May 7, 2022, and setting up the procedures for the election, the provisions for the officers of the election, establishing a voting precinct and polling place, and ordering a Runoff Election, if necessary, to be held on June 25, 2022.

Betty Strong, City Secretary explained this is a requirement each year to call/order the election.

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Herrera, to **APPROVE THE ORDINANCE FOR CALLING THE May 7, 2022 ELECTION**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -6. Consideration and possible approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Orange County Election Services Contract between the City of Vidor and Orange County Elections Administrator.

Betty Strong, City Secretary explained the contract and the need to sign this each year for the county to oversee the City's election.

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ELECTION SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ORANGE COUNTY**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -7. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution appointing a member to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Fletcher Inzer 1690 Dogwood Dr. was called upon as the appointee. Nicole McGowan, Mayor Pro Tem asked why Mr. Inzer was interested in joining the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Inzer explained his reasoning stating he is very proud of and loves the people of Vidor and his family is from here.

Discussion Ensued.

Jessica Barker, Councilmember Ward 4, asked Mr. Inzer his background. Mr. Inzer explained his family is involved in rental and home renovations in the community. He is interested in also supporting the arts in the area.

Jerry Aldridge, Councilmember Ward 3, asked Mr. Inzer about his family background. Mr. Inzer gave an overview of this information.

Discussion Ensued.

Robbie Hood, City Manager verified this is for a two (2) year term.

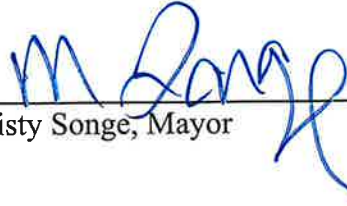
A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, to **APPROVE THE RESOLUTION APPOINTING FLETCHER INZER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

Before adjournment, Rod Carroll, Chief of Police thanked the Council, City manager, staff and the Citizens of the city for the support for Officer Chris Berry.

C -8. Consideration of Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Carder, seconded by Councilmember Aldridge, for **Consideration of Adjournment**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

These minutes approved February 10, 2022.


Misty Songe, Mayor

ATTEST:


Betty Strong, City Secretary