



# CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MAY 18, 2020  
6:00 P.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

*MPT Sherwood Green called the meeting to order.*

### PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

*Alderman Clay Morris led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.*

### ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

*The following Councilmember's were present:*

*MPT Sherwood Green  
Alderman Clay Morris  
Alderman Russell Rupertus  
Alderman Terry Rizzo  
Alderman Marci Kurtz-Hoffman*

*The following Councilmember was absent:*

*Mayor Steve Spicer*

*The following staff was present:*

*City Administrator Hutchison  
City Secretary Rushing  
Police Chief Heiman*

*City Secretary Rushing administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected officials: Sherwood Green, Russell Rupertus and Marci Kurtz-Hoffman.*

### PUBLIC COMMENTS (LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES PER PERSON)

*Lorraine Jones, 16712 Jolly Roger, spoke in favor of information being provided to the public.*

### PRESENTATION:

1. **CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019.**  
*Alpha Jallow with Katherine Overbeck-Maxwell Accounting Firm attended the meeting to present the Financial Audit for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2019.*

## ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

### 1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:

#### a. REGULAR MEETING VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE – APRIL 20, 2020

*Alderman Morris motioned to approve the above listed minutes. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

### 2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING USAGE AND PARKING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OWNED JAMAICA BEACH REGATTA BASIN FACILITY (ALSO KNOWN AS THE "MARINA"), LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BASIN DRIVE AND ALL OF BASIN DRIVE; TO PROVIDE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*Alderman Rupertus motioned to approve the above stated Ordinance. Second by Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman. Motion unanimously approved by those present. Creating Ordinance 2020-3.*

## CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

*City Administrator Hutchison reported on the following: UTMB will be conducting free COVID-19 testing for Galveston County residents, please visit the city's website for more information; warning that water may be interrupted for a short period while the water meters are connected; Annual Spring Cleanup scheduled to be conducted on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, contact City Hall to get on the heavy trash list; Annual Hurricane Preparedness Meeting cancelled; City Council will be holding a Public Hearing on June 1<sup>st</sup> on the City of Jamaica Beach Vehicular Beach Access Plan; reminder that JBPD will be enforcing the Leave No Trace Ordinance barring people from leaving personal property on the public beach between the hours of sunset to sunrise; seeking volunteers to help pick-up trash on the beach.*

**MAYOR'S REPORT - Absent, No Report**

## ALDERMEN REPORTS

*MPT Green – No Report*

*Alderman Morris spoke in favor of opening the city's swimming pool; spoke in favor of conducting the Annual Citywide Garage Sale; looking forward to the Public Hearing on June 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Alderman Rupertus noted Memorial weekend was coming up; be prepared for the crowds, be safe and have a wonderful Memorial weekend.*

*Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman reported she is looking forward to the pool opening up and the Public Hearing on June 1<sup>st</sup>; she encouraged citizens to submit their comments to the city and not on social media sites that are not affiliated with the city, because those comments/posts do not get translated to the city.*

*Alderman Rizzo suggests the Annual Citywide Garage Sale be conducted on July 4<sup>th</sup>.*

## POLICE REPORT

*Police Chief Heiman reported the JBPD will be extra staffed and prepared for the Memorial weekend; he noted the only time the city has the authority to temporarily shut down beach access to vehicles is when it's overly crowded that adding another vehicle would become a safety hazard.*

**FIRE REPORT - Absent, No Report**

## ADJOURN

*MPT Green said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Rupertus motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Rizzo. Motion unanimously approved by those present. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.*