



# CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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## CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

JULY 2, 2018  
5:30 P.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.*

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

*MPT Sherwood Green led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.*

### ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

*The following Councilmember's were present:*

*Mayor Steve Spicer  
MPT Sherwood Green  
Alderman David Welch  
Alderman Russell Rupertus  
Alderman Marci Kurtz  
Alderman Rosemary Lindley (arrived at 5:46 p.m.)*

*The following staff was present:*

*City Administrator Hutchison  
City Secretary Rushing  
Police Chief Heiman*

### ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

**1. DISCUSS FY 2017/2018 BUDGETS.**

*No discussion.*

**2. DISCUSS FY 2018/2019 PROPOSED BUDGETS.**

*Council and staff discussed proposed budget items for the FY 2018/2019 Budget. Mayor Spicer proposed replacing the City Hall marquee with a digital announcement marquee; and suggests prioritizing the replacement of the city water main lines. JBVFD Chief Baden proposed budgeting for the purchase and installation of 3 fire hydrants at the following locations: 16600 sections of Bermuda Way, Francis Drake and Jean Lafitte; and insulating the fire house bay. Alderman Welch proposed purchasing technology equipment to televise the Council Meetings. City Secretary Rushing noted the City of Galveston is discussing a possible water rate increase, which could possibly affect the City of Jamaica Beach's water rates since we purchase our water from them. Alderman Rupertus inquired if additional funds were needed for the lift stations (i.e. repairs and/or improvements). Kurtz inquired if additional funds were needed for bulkhead and/or road repairs. Police Chief Heiman mentioned he applied for a \$102,547 e-citation system grant; today he received notification of possible grant approval of about \$97,000. Chief Heiman proposed a budget increase to the Vehicle M & R line item to cover the repair cost for the 2009 Dodge Charger; and possibly selling the UTV and Police Boat to purchase a new UTV and jet skis.*

*Mayor Spicer opened the item for public comment:*

*Ginger Jones, 16612 Curlew, inquired if the city will be raising the water rates again; noted the water rates are already higher than Galveston's.*

**ADJOURN**

*Meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m. Council remained in their seats for the Workshop Meeting, which started immediately after the Budget Workshop Meeting.*



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

*No requests to address Council.*

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. DISCUSS APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:
  - a. REVISED MINUTES – APRIL 16, 2018
  - b. WORKSHOP MEETING – JUNE 4, 2018
  - c. REGULAR CALLED MEETING – JUNE 18, 2018

*No discussion.*

2. DISCUSS APPROVING THE PROPOSAL FROM LARRY RYAN HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING, INC. TO REPLACE THE A/C UNIT IN THE CITY HALL FIRE DEPARTMENT, DELEGATING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AS THE CONTRACTING OFFICER.

*Mayor Spicer noted the Fire Department's A/C unit is over 16 years old. Alderman Rupertus inquired if there was any way the proposal could be approved prior to the July 16<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting; he noted the hot temperature in the JBVFD meeting room. Mayor Spicer recommended borrowing a window unit until the A/C unit is replaced.*

3. DISCUSS APPROVING A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE OF TEXAS AND THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE ANNUALLY SET ASIDE A PORTION OF THE STATE GOMESA FUNDS FOR TEXAS COASTAL CITIES AND CONTINUE TO FULLY FUND THE COASTAL EROSION PROTECTION RESPONSE ACT (CEPRA) PROGRAM WITH STATE REVENUES.

*City Secretary Rushing briefly explained the Resolution; she noted most of the Gulf Coast Communities are being asked to adopt a Resolution to submit to the General Land Office.*

#### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

*City Administrator Hutchison reported he's felt welcomed on his first day on the job; he is looking forward to getting to know everybody.*

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor Spicer reported trash on the beach was minimal over the holiday weekend.*

#### **ALDERMEN REPORTS**

*MPT Green reported the Annual JBVFD Fundraiser Dance did well; everyone had a good time.*

*Alderman Lindley reported the Park Board has extended the Memorial Brick Fundraiser until Labor Day; swimming lessons are being offered at the pool, please contact the pool for more details.*

*Alderman Welch, Alderman Rupertus and Alderman Kurtz – No Reports*

#### **POLICE REPORT**

*Police Chief Heiman reported about the beach being overcrowded on weekends; his public safety concerns regarding the beach crowds; he suggests the restricted area on the eastside portion of the beach be removed to allow the flow of traffic between the two beach entrances; he noted he would provide a proposal on the subject to Council at a future meeting; he recognized the JBFVD for rescuing a distressed boater.*

#### **ADJOURN**

*Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m. Council remained in their seats for the Executive Session Meeting, which started immediately after the Workshop Meeting.*



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## CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AGENDA

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6:00 P.M. (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORKSHOP MEETING)

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*The following staff was present:*

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*Police Chief Heiman*

### ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 551.074 – PERSONNEL MATTERS: EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES OR DISCIPLINE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR.

*Mayor Spicer read above caption before Council convened in Executive Session at 6:12 p.m.*

2. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON THE SUBJECT MATTER.

*Council reconvened in Open Session at 7:14 p.m. Mayor Spicer noted no action was taken during Executive Session. There was no action taken during the open meeting.*

### ADJOURN

*Mayor Spicer said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Welch motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.*