

PUBLIC HEARING

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Steve Spicer called the meeting to order.

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ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN The following council members were present:

Mayor Steve Spicer, MPT Sherwood Green, Alderman Clay Morris, Alderman Russell Rupertus, Alderman Marci Kurtz-Hoffman, Alderman Terry Rizzo The City Administrator Sean Hutchison was also present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Limited to THREE (3) MINUTES PER PERSON) No Public comments.

THE SUBJECT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 AT 6:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 AT CITY HALL IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 16628 SAN LUIS PASS ROAD, JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS.

ANY PERSON MAY ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING. COPIES OF THE BUDGETS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE OR BY REQUEST. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE THE SAME AMOUNT OF REVENUE FROM PROPERTY TAXES AS LAST YEAR'S BUDGET. THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR IS \$4,578.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion? If not, we will close the Public Hearing and adjourn to the regular Meeting. We will dispense with the roll call again.

CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP & REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 28, 2020
6 P.M.

PRESENTATION :

PRESENT JAMAICA BEACH 2016-2020 MITIGATION ACTION PLAN TO CITY COUNCIL.

City Admin. Hutchison Part of the Community rating /system of Recertification is presenting the council the plan. (attached) As you will see, the city is in the last year of the 5 Year Plan. They are working with the county; this is a grant program. Over the course of the next six Months, you will reconstruct a new Five Year Plan. This is giving you a snapshot of what we Currently have; it has to be provided for the community rating system. It will be posted On the website as well.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION RESCINDING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH AND GALVESTON COUNTY TO TRANSFER \$10,800 IN CARES ACT FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUATION AND EXPANSION OF COVID-19 TESTING ON A COUNTY-WIDE BASIS.

City Admin. Hutchison Instead of the county seeking funds from municipalities within the cities for funds for Covid 19 testing, they are seeking other state and federal sources. Since we did approve this, we need to rescind it so it is not hanging out there.

Mayor Spicer Any changes? Additions? Do I have a motion?

Alderman Rupertus motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Morris seconded.

Mayor Spicer Motion carries.

2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER REQUEST (#3) TO THE 2019 WATER LINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO INSTALL NEW VALVES INTO THE WATER SYSTEM; THE CHANGE ORDER REQUEST WILL INCREASE THE COST BY APPROXIMATELY \$3,500, THE CONTRACT PRICE WITH THE NEW CHANGE ORDER SHALL NOT EXCEED \$267,787.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion?

Alderman Rupertus You offer multiple options. I would like Option 1 so we can have multiple shut off valves. My first question is...school me on this? You have discussed that you can only do so many change orders or requests. Is this correct?

City Admin. Hutchison Part of public bidding statute is you can only increase or decrease the original bid amount by 25%; you cannot exceed that. We are well below that. That is correct.

Mayor Spicer Anyone else? If not, we will have a motion?

Alderman Morris motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Rupertus seconded.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion? Anyone Opposed?

City admin. Huthison Just FYI. We will put out the notice in advance. Cut off will be in the middle of the night so it won't affect usage.

Mayor Spicer Motion carries.

3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION REFORMING THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE AND ASSIGNING ALDERMAN RUPERTUS, ALDERMAN RIZZO AND CITY DEPARTMENT HEADS TO THE COMMITTEE.

City Admin. Hutchison Would like to begin the process of reviewing the cities policy manual in earnest.

Alderman Rupertus Would also like to add that the reason Sean asked Ms. Rizzo and myself to do this is because we were on the committee four (4) years ago and worked on it previously.

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman Are there any other duties of that committee?

City Admin. Hutchison At this point, the personnel manual would be first, then looking at job descriptions and so forth.

Mayor Spicer Any one else? If not, may I have a motion?

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman motioned to approve as stated.

Mayor Spicer Motion carries.

4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AMENDING THE FOLLOWING GENERAL FUND BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 TO ADJUST AND PROPERLY RECORD THE UNFORSEEN REVENUE/EXPENSES:

- a. TRANSFER \$1,000 FROM 11040 CITY EXPENSES TO 18004 INSPECTOR/PERMITS
- b. TRANSFER \$500 FROM 11044 CA CONTINGENCY TO 11034 AUDIT.
- c. TRANSFER \$255 FROM 30004 PARK ELECTRICITY TO 30006 PARK WATER.
- d. TRANSFER \$780 FROM 30008 PARK M&R TO 30010 PARK MOWING.
- e. TRANSFER \$700 FROM 40090 BUILDING/POOL M&R TO 40080 POOL MOWING.
- f. TRANSFER \$10,000 FROM 14000 PD SALARIES TO 14002 PD PT SALARIES.
- g. TRANSFER \$1,000 FROM 14016 PD EQUIP M&R TO 14012 PD VEHICLE M&R.
- h. TRANSFER \$1,000 FROM 14016 PD EQUIP M&R TO 14035 PD TRUNKED RADIOS.
- i. TRANSFER \$1,000 FROM 14006 PD OFFICE SUPPLIES AND \$4,800 FROM 14010 PD TELEPHONE TO 14050 PD LEGAL FEES.
- j. TRANSFER \$2350 FROM 13016 GENERAL M&R TO 13022 CITY MOWING

Mayor Spicer Any discussion?

Alderman Green motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman seconded.

Mayor Spicer Any one opposed? Motion carries.

5. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AMENDING THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL SERVICES FUND BUDGET LINE ITEMS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 TO ADJUST AND PROPERLY RECORD THE UNFORSEEN REVENUE/EXPENSES:

- a. INCREASE THE BUDGET REVENUE FOR 30005 SEWER-SERVICES FEES BY \$81,475 AND 30001 WATER TAP FEES BY \$12,870 THEN INCREASE THE FOLLOWING BUDGET LINE ITEM EXPENSES: \$25,000 TO 20014 WWTP EXPENSES, \$12,845 TO 20015 LIFTSTATIONS M&R, \$35,000 TO 20000 WATER PURCHASES, \$12,000 TO 20002 WATER REPAIRS AND \$9,500 TO 20003 WATER TAP EXPENSES.
- b. TRANSFER \$17,155 FROM 20011 SEWER REPAIRS TO 20015 LIFTSTATIONS M&R.
- c. TRANSFER \$500 FROM 20045 CONTINGENCY TO 20038 AUDIT

Mayor Spicer Do I have a motion?

Alderman Rizzo motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Morris seconded.

Mayor Spicer Anyone opposed? Motion carries.

6. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGETS.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion?

Alderman Rupertus I just want to thank everyone that was involved in getting this done.

Mayor Spicer Any more discussion? Do I have a motion?

Alderman Green motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Rupertus seconded.

Mayor Spicer Any one opposed? Motion carries.

7. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICABEACH, TEXAS, LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020, SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX RATE AT \$0.186181 PER \$100 OF PROPERTY VALUE.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion?

Citizen Ginger Jones, 16616 Curlew How does this look as compared to last year?

Mayor Spicer We are going to make the same amount of money as we did last year; we dropped the rate but we added \$4500 more in new housing so we dropped the rate to match.

City Admin. Hutchison We dropped the rate 3.66%. A person with a home valued at \$300K Would pay \$21.23 less for local purposes than was paid last year; that is just local, not other jurisdictions.

Mayor Spicer Any more discussion? We need a motion.

Alderman Morris motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Rupertus seconded.

Audience member I have a question?

Mayor Spicer I am sorry, you can't ask a question right now...after meeting.

Audience member Oh really, alright. OK.

8. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR ACTION AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-3 ESTABLISHING USAGE AND PARKING REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY OWNED JAMAICA BEACH REGATTA BASIN FACILITY (ALSO KNOWN AS THE "MARINA"); 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, AS AMENDED, TO INCLUDE PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON BASIN DRIVE.

Mayor Spicer Any discussion?

Alderman Rupertus I have a few questions since this item was brought up. My first concern that has been brought to my attention that the "sticker" of the trailers has caused some confusion and some problems. #1. I would like to ask council if now is the time to discuss it?

#2 We have had several repeat offenders. We have had 6 times a commercial user come back day after day and ticketed; do we increase those penalties? #3 After we have done this, we have seen that we have covered our cost plus on this. We were worried about covering the expenses of manufacturing and distribution of the stickers. I would like to ask council, now, if we could offer two stickers per household to lighten the expenses. Is now the time to do that?

City Admin. Hutchison I would recommend that you bring it back in October.

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman I thought we just wanted to get something going and amend it later.

Alderman Rizzo I had already discussed with Sean the cost and trying to give more benefit to our citizens. He said the primary reason for this item was to add the restrictions on Basin Street to it.

Alderman Rupertus Thanks for the clarification. Just didn't know if this was the right time.

Mayor Spicer May I have a motion at this time?

Alderman Rupertus motioned to approve as stated.

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman seconded.

Mayor Spicer Any further discussion? Motion carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Mayor Spicer Reads:

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 – TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL – EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES OR DISCIPLINE OF THE POLICE CHIEF, CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND CITY SECRETARY.

7:19 P. M. Mayor Spicer requests everyone except council members step out of the room and that Open session would reconvene when Executive session is done.

Mayor Spicer reconvenes regular meeting at 8:25 and reads the following statement:
RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON THE ITEM(S)
DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Spicer Do I hear any motions?

Alderman Morris I make a motion that we terminate the City Secretary effective immediately with the possibility of a finance package.

Alderman Rupertus seconded. I would like to ask that you (Sean) contact TML to make sure we handle this situation correctly.

Mayor Spicer Any more discussion? All in favor raise your hand. (Aldermen Morris, Rupertus and Rizzo raised their hands) All opposed? (Alderman Green raised his hand) Any abstained? (Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman abstained) Motion passes

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Admin. Hutchison In October, I will be proposing to add a No Wake Clause to our flood Prevention Ordinance. It has been a busy week with Laura and now Tropical storm Beta.

The beach is open. We have continued work and in October will revisit Eminent Domain.

I will be working with the GLO to arrange a line of vegetation survey.

We have an air quality issue in city hall; will be working with an engineer service to identify the issues and I will keep council updated.

Large item collection will be dropped off only at this time at the City Park Saturday. I am working on trying to line up curbside large item pick up.

MAYOR'S REPORT Want to thank you (Sean) for getting the beach open as fast as you did.

ALDERMEN'S REPORTS No reports from Alderman Morris, Alderman Rupertus or Alderman Rizzo

Alderman Kurtz-Hoffman We have an artist assigned to the turtle; this is very exciting. Also our pirate ship should be here October 5th.

Mayor Spicer Do I have a motion to adjourn?

Alderman Rizzo motioned to adjourn

Alderman Rupertus seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Alderman Terry Rizzo

