

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
1025 CAMPBELL ROAD, HOUSTON, TEXAS**

1. CALL THE ROLL AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM IS PRESENT

With a quorum of the Council Members present, the Regular Meeting of the Spring Valley Village City Council was called to order by Mayor Ramsey at 6:05 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Tom Ramsey
Mayor Pro-Tem Allen Carpenter
Council Member David Dominy
Council Member Tom Donaho
Council Member Joy McCormack
Council Member Marcus Vajdos

Members Absent:

None.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Julie Robinson, City Administrator (left at 8:40 p.m.)
Roxanne Benitez, City Secretary
Alex Trevino, Deputy City Secretary
Arthur Faiello, Director of Public Works (left at 8:35 p.m.)
Michelle Yi, City Treasurer (left at 8:35 p.m.)
Oscar Arevalo, Building Official (left at 8:35 p.m.)
Loyd Evans, Police Chief (left at 6:30 p.m.)
David Dixon, Police Commissioner
Mark Schulze, Police Captain
Loren Smith, City Attorney

3. PROCLAMATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4.1 Jennifer Finch, the new Branch Manager for the Spring Branch Memorial Library located at 930 Corbindale Road, introduced herself to the Council.

At this time, Council Member Carpenter made a motion to take Agenda Item 10 out of order, and Council Member Donaho seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

10. PRESENTATION AND BRIEFING CONCERNING: METRO Proposed Bond Projects (Don Elder and Cindy Siegel, METRO)

Board Member Don Elder, Board Member Cindy Siegel, Long Range Planning Manager Priya Zachariah, Vice-President of Consumer Affairs Eddie Miranda, and Deputy CEO Tom Jasien with METRO, gave a PowerPoint presentation on METRO's vision and long term plan.

At this time, Council Member Carpenter made a motion to take Agenda Item 14 out of order, and Council Member McCormack seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

14. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING: Possibility of Requiring EMT Training for Police Department. (Council Member Carpenter)

Council Member Carpenter advised that he discussed the possibility of offering life-saving training and tools to the police officers with Chief Evans, Commissioner Dixon, and Fire Chief Foster. He also advised that he would like the officers to support, assist, and provide the best care until the Village Fire Department arrived. Chief Evans advised that he had researched the subject and that requiring police officers to receive EMT training could create liability issues for the Department and the City that would be detrimental. He also indicated that he believes the Department would be spreading themselves too thin. Chief Evans also advised that all officers are trained in first aid, AED, and CPR and are in compliance with best practices of the Texas recognition program. Chief Evans advised that he would be in favor any advanced training, but not EMT training which would put two hats on an officer making them decide if police duties or EMT duties are their first priority and what effect the outcome of their decisions would have. He added that if the laws changed, he would be in favor of EMT training. City Attorney Loren Smith advised that medical protocols would need to be created, and the City would have to retain a medical director to develop and oversee the protocols. Chief Evans advised that additional personnel would be needed to implement an EMT program.

It was the consensus of the Council not to proceed with EMT training for the Police Department at this time. However, the Council requested that requested Chief Evans evaluate the possibility of incorporating such training in the future.

At this time, Council Member Vajdos made a motion to take Agenda Item 11 out of order, and Council Member Donaho seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Presentation and Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Prepared by Belt, Harris Pechacek, LLLP, Certified Public Accountants. (Stephanie Harris, Belt Harris Pechacek LLLP)

Robert Belt, Managing Partner with Belt, Harris, Pechacek, LLLP, presented the 2017-2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Council Member McCormack made a motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report prepared by Belt, Harris Pechacek, LLLP, Certified Public Accountants, and Council Member Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under consent agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be

considered separately.

- 5.1 Minutes for Special Called City Council Meeting on February 26, 2019
- 5.2 Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting on February 26, 2019
- 5.3 Ordinance Number 2019-XX - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, BY DELETING FROM APPENDIX "A" THEREOF SECTION 6.003 AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW SECTION 6.003; ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR POTABLE WATER; AND PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 5.4 Ordinance Number 2019-XX - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, BY DELETING FROM APPENDIX "A" THEREOF SECTION 6.004; ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICES; AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.
- 5.5 Resolution Number 19-XX - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS AND SPRING BRANCH MEMORIAL SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A WALKING TRAIL OR SIDEWALK ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9016 WESTVIEW DRIVE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SUCH AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council Member Carpenter made a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda, and Council Member Donaho seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

6. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** February 2019 Police Department Staff Report (Chief Evans):

Chief Evans provided the report.

1. Number of Calls for Service – 1,253
2. Number of Traffic Violations – 888
3. Number of K-9 Deployments – 121

7. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Activities of the Village Fire Department Commissioners Meeting on February 27, 2019. (Council Member Carpenter / Mayor Ramsey)

Mayor Ramsey advised the Council that an offer was presented to Bunker Hill Village at the February 27 meeting. Mayor Ramsey also advised that the Village Fire Department Commissioners were currently drafting a new Interlocal Agreement.

8. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Activities of the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of March 12, 2019. (Council Member Vajdos / City Attorney Loren Smith)

City Attorney Loren Smith advised that the setbacks on Bingle and Campbell Road were discussed and would be on the agendas for the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council meetings in May.

9. **DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Revised Draft Residential Neighborhood Traffic Calming/Control Policy.

City Administrator Julie Robinson advised that new language was added concerning acquiring a petition and requested additional feedback. Council Member McCormack asked if the two applications could be re-named. Council Member Donaho asked if a step-by-step list could be included. Ms. Robinson asked for feedback regarding how long applicants should be given to present all required documentation. The consensus from Council was no more than ninety (90) days. Ms. Robinson advised that letters would be sent to residents informing them that the draft policy would be on a future City Council meeting agenda for possible action.

12. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Award Of Bid Number 2019-01-01B For the New Production Well Project To W.W. Payton Corporation In An Amount Not To Exceed \$3,150,000.00.

John Nelson, with WSP (formerly LBG Guyton), presented the bid award recommendation and provided the Council with some explanations for why the bids significantly exceeded the original construction estimate provided by LBG Guyton. After discussion, Council Member Vajdos made a motion to award Bid Number 2019-01-01B to W.W. Payton Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$3,150,000.00 with staff recommended funding for the excess amount over the TWDB funding for the project, and Council Member Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

13. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Resolution Number 19-XX – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS AND W.W. PAYTON CORPORATION FOR THE NEW PRODUCTION WELL PROJECT (BID #2019-01-01B); PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SUCH AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Ramsey read the Resolution by caption only. Council Member Vajdos made a motion to approve Resolution Number 19-06, and Council Member Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

15. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number 2019-XX - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, BY DELETING SECTION 6.001, WATER METER CONNECTIONS, FROM APPENDIX "A," SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS; ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE

OF FEES FOR WATER METER CONNECTIONS; AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Mayor Ramsey read the Ordinance by caption only. City Administrator Julie Robinson advised that the water connection fees had not been updated since 2009 and currently, did not reflect the actual costs. Council Member Dominy made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2019-09, and Council Member Donaho seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- 16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Request from Village Fire Commission To Retain the 4th Quarter 2018 Ambulance Revenues and Place Such Funds into Facility Fund 4.

Council Member Carpenter made a motion to allow the Village Fire Commission to retain the overage of the 4th Quarter 2018 ambulance revenues and place such funds into Facility Fund 4, and Council Member Dominy seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- 17. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Briefing by City Administrator:

1. Status of Hilldale, Bade & Cardwell Paving and Utility Improvements Project

Jeremy Austin, with Binkley and Barfield, Inc., advised that the project was in the first month of a seven-month contract and added that the project was on schedule.

2. Status of Automated Meter Project

City Administrator Julie Robinson advised that the project communication pieces would soon be mailed to the residents and added that the installation of the new automated meters would commence in April.

3. Update on City of Houston Left Turn Lane on Westview Drive

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that he contacted the office of City of Houston Council Member Brenda Stardig, and he was advised that Council Member Stardig would speak to their Public Works department.

4. Status of Repairs to Ground Water Well #1

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that the latest repair estimate was \$240,000 and was based on Weisinger's evaluation of the different pieces of Water Well #1. The repair costs include building a new pump, cleaning the screen, and adding a sand separator, and the repairs are already in progress.

5. Status of Update to Harris County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

City Administrator Julie Robinson advised that she has been working on the City's section of Harris County's Hazard Mitigation Plan and added that the second phase would be submitted later that week.

- 18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The City Council Will Now Hold A Closed Executive Meeting Pursuant To The Provision Of Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, In Accordance With The Authority Contained In:

18.1 Section 551.074 – Personnel Matter – Discussion to Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of the Police Chief.

Council adjourned into the Executive Session at 8:32 p.m.

19. RECONVENE

The City Council meeting reconvened at 9:01 p.m.

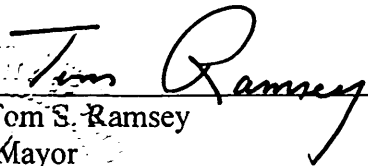
20. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Matters Discussed In Executive Session

No action was taken.

21. ADJOURNMENT


Council Member Donaho made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m., and Council Member Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Signed:



Tom S. Ramsey
Mayor

Attest:



Roxanne Benitez, TRMC, CPM, CMCC
City Secretary