



**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

July 26, 2022

On July 26, 2022, a regular meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 5th floor, City Hall, 411 W. 8th, Odessa, Texas.

City Council present: Mayor Javier Joven; Council members: Mark Matta, District One; Steven P. Thompson, District Two; Detra White, District Three; Tom Sprawls, District Four; Mari Willis, District Five, and Denise Swanner, At-Large.

Others present: Michael Marrero, City Manager; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Natasha Brooks, City Attorney; Cindy Muncy, Assistant City Manager; Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager; and other members of City staff.

A quorum being present, Mayor Joven called the meeting to order, and the following proceedings were held:

The invocation was given by Pastor Don Caywood, Odessa Christian Faith Center, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas flags.

Mayor Joven presented the Lifeline EMS Gold Plus Recognition Award to Fire Rescue. He recognized Lakeisha Taylor for the 2022 Employee of the Year.

Citizen's comments on non-agenda items. No comments.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. City Council minutes, July 12, 2022;
- B. City Council work session minutes, July 19, 2022;
- C. **Ordinance No. 2022-16- Limousine services franchise application of Delma Barriga;**
- D. **Resolution No. 2022R-40 – Accept a grant from Conoco Phillips Company and appropriating the funds to Odessa Fire Rescue;**
- E. **Resolution No 2022R-41 - Authorize the City of Odessa Police Department to apply for and accept; amending the fiscal budget to appropriate awarded funds as additional revenue and authorizing the expenditure of awarded grant funds from the 2022 BJA Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG);**
- F. **Resolution No. 2022R-42 – Ector County interlocal agreement for the division of the 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds;**
- G. **Resolution No. 2022R-43 - Authorize the City of Odessa Police Department to apply for and accept; amending the fiscal budget to appropriate awarded funds as additional revenue and authorizing the expenditure of awarded grant funds for \$4,000 from Walmart;**
- H. Purchase four Braun Ford F 550 ambulances for \$1,884,760;
- I. Purchase a 2023 Fire Battalion Tahoe for Fire Rescue for \$98,769.25;
- J. Bid award for golf course maintenance equipment replacement at Ratliff Ranch Golf Course.

Motion was made by Council member Swanner and seconded by Council member White to approve the consent agenda with a correction on Item B. to the work session minutes. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

BID AWARD

Award a professional services agreement to Evergreen Solutions, LLC for a comprehensive classification and compensation study. Mr. Marrero stated that a professional services agreement be made to Evergreen Solutions for a comprehensive classification and compensation study. A study would evaluate all positions and would begin with the Fire and the Police Department which would be expedited. Council member Willis stated that it was the entire Police Department, Fire Rescue and Public Communication. Sonya Cortez reported that four dispatchers left in the past month. She stated that the pay was low. She explained the hiring process for dispatchers and most candidates do not make it through the entire process. She requested that Public Safety Communications be expedited on the survey. Conner Black stated that it was an honor to work with Fire Rescue and dispatch. He stated that they deserve a pay increase as they were underpaid. The men and women were risking their lives to protect the city. The Council had a consensus to conduct the study and expedite Fire, Police Department, and Emergency Communications.

Motion was made by Council member Thompson and seconded by Council member White to approve the Evergreen Solutions agreement. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

PUBLIC HEARING

Open a public hearing to consider approval of the request by Terri Stangby, owner, for a specific use permit to allow a dance hall or nightclub in a Retail (R) zoning district on Lot 42, Block 13, Wedgewood (1551 John Ben Sheppard Parkway). Randy Brinlee, Director of Development Services, reviewed the location. The purpose was for a specific use permit for a dance hall. The owner had an Oncor agreement for the use of the right-of-way for additional parking. He reviewed the conditions. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended for approval. Larry Burdett stated that the owners of the shopping center did not have time to respond. He had concerns on safety and cleaning the parking lot. He asked if there would be police presence during its hours of operation. The owners of the shopping center did not want another bar. Mr. Brinlee stated that the notifications were resent to all the owners and the two week period was given. The protest was 17% of the area. No one else came forward and the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Council member White and seconded by Council member Sprawls to approve the ordinance on first approval. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

ORDINANCE

Call the 2022 General Municipal Election. Mrs. Grimaldo stated that the ordinance would call the 2022 General Municipal Election on November 8, 2022 as required by the Texas Election Code and City Charter. Council member Districts Three, Four and Five would be on the ballot.

Motion was made by Council member Swanner and seconded by Council member Sprawls to approve the ordinance on first approval. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

MISCELLANEOUS

Appointment of Boards: Citizens Golf Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Motion was made by Council member Thompson and seconded by Council member Matta to appoint Anthony Bolton to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

Motion was made by Council member Sprawls and seconded by Council member Willis to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Javier Joven
Mayor