

MINUTES OF THE SPLENDORA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MEETING HELD ON THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY 2021, AT CITY HALL, LOCATED AT 26090 FM 2090 E, SPLENDORA, TEXAS 77372 IN THE CITY OF SPLENDORA, COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS AT 6:30 P.M.

The Council met in a special session with the following members present:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Dorothy Welch, Mayor  
 William Ramey, Position I  
 Evelyn Myers, Position II  
 Mike Clark, Position III  
 Sharon Ipes, Position IV  
 William Usher, Position V

OFFICERS:

Danna Welter, City Secretary  
 Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

**DINNER AND PICTURES PRECEEDING MEETING**

**SPECIAL SESSION**

1. Mayor Welch called the meeting to order. [6:30 p.m.]

**ROLL CALL**

2. All present, thus constituting a quorum.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION**

- 3/4. Pledge/Invocation.

**AGENDA**

5. Approve the minutes of September 14 and 15, and October 19, 2020.  
Councilmember Myers made a motion to approve the minutes of September 14 and 15, and October 19, 2020, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Approve bills for payment.  
Councilmember Clark made a motion to approve the bills for payment, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Public Comments.
8. Department Reports:
  - a) Police Department for November/December 2020;
  - b) Municipal Court for November/December 2020;
  - c) Utility (Billing/Field/Capital Projects) Department for November/December 2020.
9. Consider and take action Resolution 2021-01-11 accepting the resignation of Councilmember Tracy Holloway, Position I.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-01-11 accepting the resignation of Councilmember Tracy Holloway, Position I, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Consider and take action on Resolution 2021-01-11A appointment to fill the unexpired term of Councilmember, Position I.  
Councilmember Myers made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-01-11A appointing **William Ramey** to fill the unexpired term of Councilmember, Position I, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.  
 City Secretary Danna Welter administered the Oath of Office to Mr. William Ramey. Councilmember Ramey took his place at the dias.
11. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2021-01-11 extending Emergency Order through February 15, 2021.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-01-11 extending Emergency Order through February 15, 2021, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
12. Consider and/or take action on authorizing the City Attorney to prepare steps and documents to rename a portion of Groves Road to Aden Lane.  
 No action.

13. Consider and/or take action on purchase of LED illuminated monument sign for the Splendora Police Department at a cost of \$22,995.  
After discussion, it was the recommendation for Baker Signs to install the sign for a total cost not to exceed \$25,000.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve the purchase of LED illuminated monument sign for the Splendora Police Department at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 including installation, and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
14. Consider and/or take action on bid from S. Cook Construction, LP, on enclosing the Sally Port at the City's Police Station, at a cost of \$19,716.  
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve bid from S. Cook Construction, LP, on enclosing the Sally Port at the City's Police Station, at a cost of \$19,716, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
15. Consider and/or take action on Gateway Monument Agreement with TXDOT for Welcome to Splendora signs (bids on signage to follow approval of Agreement by TXDOT).  
Councilmember Myers made a motion to approve the Gateway Monument Agreement with TXDOT for Welcome to Splendora signs (bids on signage to follow approval of Agreement by TXDOT), and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
16. Consider and/or take action on repair/replacement of fencing/gates at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, at a cost not to exceed \$20,000, to be paid from Capital Improvements Fund.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve the repair/replacement of fencing/gates at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, at a cost not to exceed \$20,000, to be paid from Capital Improvements Fund, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
17. Consider and/or take action to approve purchase and installation of flow measuring changes, and Hach dissolved oxygen probes/controllers for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from Chlorinator Maintenance, Inc., in an amount of \$9,800.00 and \$25,543.52 respectfully, to be paid from Capital Improvements Fund.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve purchase and installation of flow measuring changes, and Hach dissolved oxygen probes/controllers for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from Chlorinator Maintenance, Inc., in an amount of \$9,800.00 and \$25,543.52 respectfully, to be paid from Capital Improvements Fund, and Councilmember Ramey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
18. Consider, discuss and/or take action to authorize the City Attorney to take steps to place SJRA fees in a holding account, until SJRA Court decisions are final.  
This item was tabled.
19. **Executive Session**- Council will meet in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) related to a Texas Department of Agriculture Project; and 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney): To receive legal advice from City Attorney and attorneys representing City in Tx Court of Appeals, Third District, Case No. D-1-GN-16-004151; Ex Parte, San Jacinto River Authority; 98th District Court in Travis County, Texas. [7:35 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.]
20. Consider and/or take action on item(s) discussed in Executive Session.  
No action.
21. Mayor Activity Report:
  - Annual Financial Advisory Notification
  - Continued participate in the Montgomery County Emergency Management Plan
22. Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff for which no action will be taken or discussed.
23. Adjourn. (8:12 p.m.)  
Councilmember Myers made a motion to adjourn, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.