

MINUTES OF THE SPLENDORA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING HELD ON THE 18TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2023, 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 regular session with the following members present:

COUNCILMEMBERS:

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

OFFICERS:

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney
Danna Welter, City Administrator
Anita Davis, City Secretary

REGULAR SESSION

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

ROLL CALL

2. All present, except Councilmember Ramey, thus constituting a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

- 3/4. Pledge/Invocation.

AGENDA

5. Approve the minutes of Regular Meeting November 20, 2023.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting November 20, 2023, and Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Discuss Financial Reports; Approve bills for payment.
City Administrator Danna Welter discussed the Financial Reports; Councilmember Myers made a motion to approve the bills for payment, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Public Comments
N/A
8. Department Reports
 - a) Police Department for November 2023;
 - b) Municipal Court for November 2023;
 - c) Utility Department; Building Permits; Capital Projects for November 2023.
9. Consider and/or take action on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for FY 2022-2023, as presented by Louis Breedlove, BW&C (Brooks Watson & CO CPA).
Councilmember Usher made a motion to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for FY 2022-2023, as presented by Louis Breedlove, BW&C (Brooks Watson & CO CPA), and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Consider and/or take action on an Agreement for Engineering Services with Strand Associates for the new well on East River Drive in an amount not to exceed \$550,000, contingent upon approval of the Engineering Services Agreement by the City Attorney, to be funded from Capital Projects Fund.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve an Agreement for Engineering Services with Strand Associates for the new well on East River Drive in an amount not to exceed \$550,000, contingent upon approval of the Engineering Services Agreement by the City Attorney, to be funded from Capital Projects Fund, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
11. Consider and/or take action to approve Resolution 2023-12-18 designating authorized signatories for the documents requesting funds pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant- 2018/2019 Disaster Recovery Program.
Councilmember Clark made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-12-18 designating authorized signatories for the documents requesting funds pertaining to the Community Development Block Grant- 2018/2019 Disaster Recovery Program, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Consider and/or take action to approve Ordinance 2023-12-18A altering the speed limits along I-69 main lane and I-69 frontage road established upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation with the Texas Department of Transportation, as requested by TXDOT.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-12-18A altering the speed limits along I-69 main lane and I-69 frontage road established upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation with the Texas Department of Transportation, as requested by TXDOT, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
13. Consider and/or take action to approve payment to RECC in the amount of \$9,465.50 for Tire Shop Lift Station and \$13,885.50 for First Street Lift Station for the total amount of \$23,351.00, to be funded from the Construction Improvement Fund.
Councilmember Myers made a motion to approve payment to RECC in the amount of \$9,465.50 for Tire Shop Lift Station and \$13,885.50 for First Street Lift Station for the total amount of \$23,351.00, to be funded from the Construction Improvement Fund, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
14. Consider and or/take action to approve payment to Aqua Metric in the amount of \$27,612.77 for Hydroverse meters for Wells 6, 4, and 5, to be funded from the Capital Project Fund.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve payment to Aqua Metric in the amount of \$27,612.77 for Hydroverse meters for Wells 6, 4, and 5, to be funded from the Capital Project Fund, and Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
15. Consider and/or take action to approve payment to Entergy for the Underground Infrastructure Cost for the Veterans Memorial Park Lighting Project, to be funded from the General Fund Capital Outlay Fund.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve payment to Entergy for the Underground Infrastructure Cost for the Veterans Memorial Park Lighting Project, to be funded from the General Fund Capital Outlay Fund, and Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
16. Consider and/or take action to approve Ordinance 2023-12-18B approving budget amendments to General and Utility Funds.
Councilmember Ipes made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-12-18B approving budget amendments to General and Utility Funds, and Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
17. Consider and/or take action to ratify payment to eligible employees to trade one week of vacation for commiserate wages, per the City of Splendora Personnel Rules, Section 4.3 Vacation Policy.
Councilmember Usher made a motion to ratify payment to eligible employees to trade one week of vacation for commiserate wages, per the City of Splendora Personnel Rules, Section 4.3 Vacation Policy, and Councilmember Ipes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
18. Executive Session- Council will possibly meet in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).
N/A
19. Consider and/or take action on items in Executive Session, if applicable.
N/A
20. Mayor's Activity Report
21. Future Meetings and Events
 - **12/25/2023-12/26/2023- Christmas Holiday**
 - **01/01/2024- New Year's Day Holiday**
 - **02/05/2023 – Next Regular Meeting**
22. Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff for which no action will be taken or discussed.
N/A
23. Adjourn. [7:46 p.m.]
Councilmember Usher made a motion to adjourn, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Anita Davis, City Secretary