

MINUTES OF THE SPLENDORA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING HELD ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025, 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  
 Evelyn Myers, Position II  
 Mike Clark, Position III  
 Carlos Hernandez, Position IV  
 William Usher, Position V

**OFFICERS:**

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

**REGULAR SESSION**

1. Mayor Dorothy 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 December 16, 2024  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve the minutes of December 16, 2024, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss Financial Reports; Approve bills for payment.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve bills for payment, and Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Public Comments.
  - a) David Aden expressed his concerns about keeping the properties clean belonging to developers.

8. Department Reports
  - a) Police Department for December 2024 and January 2025;
  - b) Municipal Court for December 2024 and January 2025;
  - c) Utility Billing; Utility Maintenance; Building Permits; Capital Projects for December 2024 and January 2025.

9. Consider and/or take action on the request for the City to pay \$50,000.00 towards a 6-inch water line extension for the Intensity Sports Complex project, as requested by Erika Martinez.

Councilmember Usher made a motion to recess to Executive Session, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. [7:00 p.m. – 7:35 p.m.]

Councilmember Usher made a motion to deny the request for the City to pay \$50,000.00 towards a 6-inch water line extension for the Intensity Sports Complex project, as requested by Erika Martinez, there was no second motion. The motion died.

Councilmember Usher made a motion to work with Erika Martinez on the steps needed to move forward with her project, Intensity Sports Complex, and Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Consider and/or take action on variance to install a new manufactured home to be located at 26161 Shadow Briar Lane, as requested by SanJuana Rada de Vazquez.

Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve the variance to install a new manufactured home to be located at 26161 Shadow Briar Lane, as requested by SanJuana Rada de Vazquez, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Consider and/or take action to amend the Engineering Support Services Agreement to Strand Associates for 2024 in an amount of \$80,000.00 to be paid from Utility Department Budgeted Funds.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to amend the Engineering Support Services Agreement to Strand Associates for 2024 in an amount of \$80,000.00 to be paid from Utility Department Budgeted Funds, and Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
12. Consider and/or take action on bids received for Well No. 7 East River Road Water Plant Project.  
Councilmember Myers made a motion for the City to award the Base Bid and Bid Alternate No. 1 to Maguire Iron, in the amount of \$5,858,000, contingent upon TCEQ's approval of the project and authorizing City staff to have continued cost savings discussions with Maguire Iron to be addressed through a future change order, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
13. Consider and/or take action to review and accept the Racial Profiling Report as reported by the City of Splendora Police Department.  
Councilmember Clark made a motion to review and accept the Racial Profiling Report as reported by the City of Splendora Police Department, and Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
14. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2025-02-17A, authorizing participation with other Entergy service area cities (Coalition of Cities) in matters concerning Entergy Texas, Inc. at the Public Utility Commission of Texas in 2025.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-02-17A, authorizing participation with other Entergy service area cities (Coalition of Cities) in matters concerning Entergy Texas, Inc. at the Public Utility Commission of Texas in 2025, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
15. Consider and/or take action to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for the period October 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.  
Councilmember Hernandez made a motion to approve the Quarterly Investment Report for the period October 1, 2024, thru December 31, 2024, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
16. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2025-02-17D, approving FY 2024-2025 Budget Amendments.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-02-17D, approving FY 2024-2025 Budget Amendments, and Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
17. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2025-02-17B, amending Chapter 6 "Buildings and Building Regulations" Articles II and III "Technical International Codes" by adopting updated and current editions of the International Codes and the Electrical Code.  
Councilmember Clark made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-02-17B, amending Chapter 6 "Buildings and Building Regulations" Articles II and III "Technical International Codes" by adopting updated and current editions of the International Codes and the Electrical Code, and Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
18. Discuss and review Ordinance 2025-02-17C amending Chapter 34 "Subdivision and Development Regulations" by adding Article IV "Tree Preservation" and calling public hearing.  
Schedule a public hearing for April 7, 2025.
19. Consider and/or take action on Ordinance 2025-02-17E, amending Chapter 38 "Utilities" of the Code of Ordinances, as shown in Exhibit A.  
Councilmember Clark made a motion to table Ordinance 2025-02-17E, amending Chapter 38 "Utilities" of the Code of Ordinances, as shown in Exhibit A, and Councilmember Usher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
20. Consider and/or take action to approve payment to Sweat's Mechtech Solutions in the amounts of \$6,200.00 and \$9,685.00 for a total of \$15,885.00 for the repairs of the Splenwood Lift Station, to be paid from budgeted funds.  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to approve payment to Sweat's Mechtech Solutions in the amounts of \$6,200.00 and \$9,685.00 for a total of \$15,885.00 for the repairs of the Splenwood Lift Station, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
21. Consider and/or take action on amending the Schedule of Fees.  
Tabled
22. Discuss cut-off procedures and charges, as requested by Councilmember Clark.
23. Discuss City office hours of operation and standard work schedule, as requested by Councilmember Clark and Councilmember Hernandez.

24. Discuss adding Councilmember contact information on the City website, as requested by Councilmember Clark and Councilmember Hernandez.
25. Discuss increasing transparency and community involvement by broadcasting Council meetings live on YouTube or an equivalent online platform, as requested by Councilmember Clark and Councilmember Hernandez.
26. **Executive Session- City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, to receive legal advice on personnel matters involving City Officers and Chapter 551, Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters: regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, of a public officer or employee: City Administrator.**
27. Consider and/or take action on items in Executive Session, if applicable.  
No Executive Session, no action taken.
28. Mayor's Activity Report
29. Future Meetings and Events
  - EMCID's Officers of the Year Ceremony, February 24th at 6:00 p.m.
  - Regular Council Meeting – March 17, 2025 (tentatively)
  - Regular Council Meeting – April 21, 2025 (tentatively)
30. Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff for which no action will be taken or discussed.
31. Adjourn. [9:43 p.m.]  
Councilmember Usher made a motion to adjourn, and Councilmember Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



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Anita Davis, City Secretary