

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF CENTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
August 24, 2020**

The Center City Council met in a regular session on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at the Windham Civic Center. Notices were properly posted of the date, place and hour and the news media was notified. The following members were present:

David Chadwick	-	Mayor
Leigh Porterfield	-	Mayor Pro Tem
Joyce Johnson	-	Council Member
Howell Howard	-	Council Member
Jerry Lathan	-	Council Member
Terry Scull	-	Council Member
Randy Collard	-	Council Member
Chad Nehring	-	City Manager
John Price	-	City Attorney

Guests signed the register.

Item I. Mayor David Chadwick opened the meeting and welcomed the visitors.

Gene Keenon with Republic Services presented the Council a check for \$1,000.00 for Perry Sampson Park.

Item II. Approval of Minutes:

A. Regular Meeting on August 10, 2020

Council Member Randy Collard made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Jerry Lathan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item III. Consider Discussion and Possible Action on the following:

- A. Resolution 2020-25 RAMP Grant Authorization.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated this is the authorization for the City to utilize annual appropriations made available to airport sponsors by TXDOT Aviation under the Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP). Mr. Nehring stated these funds provide 50% of costs limited to normal maintenance of airport facilities and minimizes local costs for airport operations. Council Member Howell Howard made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-25 RAMP Grant Authorization. Council Member Joyce Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- B. Resolution 2020-26 Accepting Final Construction – Aiken Lagoon** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated the contractor on this lagoon expansion for treating discharge water at the Aiken water treatment plan is now complete, has been put immediately into service, the contract is within the project budget and recommended for completion by the project engineer. Council Member Terry Scull made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-26 Accepting Final Construction – Aiken Lagoon. Council Member Joyce Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- C. Amendment to Engineering Contract – Aiken Lagoon Project.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated this is the engineer's request to amend the contract. Mr. Nehring stated when the original project was developed, it was expected to be built as earthen berm, but available funding allowed for the design and construction plans to be a concrete-lined structure. Mr. Nehring stated the engineer did not revisit the contract terms and proceeded with alternative design and the design and inspection of concrete installation did adjust the scope of services dramatically and increased the time and attention to both plans and construction. Council Member Howell Howard made the motion to approve the Amendment to the Engineering Contract – Aiken Lagoon Project. Council Member Terry Scull seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

- D. Approve Development Agreements – SCAD Property ID #43883 & #17347.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated staff has worked with property owners to arrange the extension of water utilities further out Old Airport Road to service properties and these two agreements are identical to those used in the past for similar situations, providing access to water service, participating in the installation costs, charges for connection and monthly billing as in-city with a ten-year period before annexation is completed on the properties. Council Member Joyce Johnson made the motion to approve Development Agreements for SCAD #43883 & #17347. Council Member Jerry Lathan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- E. Accept Bids for Surplus Property.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated these items were advertised longer and generated interest. Council Member Randy Collard made the motion to Accept Bids for Surplus Property. Council Member Leigh Porterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- F. Approval of DETCOG Dues.** City Manager, Chad Nehring stated these dues and annual membership have not changed since last year and Council has customarily approved the continuation of participation. Council Member Howell Howard made the motion for Approval of DETCOG Dues. Council Member Joyce Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- G. Appointments:**
- 1. Tax Increment Financing Board.** Council Member Joyce Johnson made the motion to Appoint Howell Howard to the Tax Increment Financing Board. Council Member Jerry Lathan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item IV. Items of Interest from Council and City Manager, and Citizens – No Action Items.

1. Downtown Construction
2. Hwy 96 Sewer Replacement Project
3. Street Construction (Annual Street EDC Project)
4. Sabine River Authority Grant.
5. Perry Sampson Park Grant Application.


City Manager, Chad Nehring updated Council regarding each of these items

Item V. Executive Session.

Item V. Adjournment. Mayor David Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 5:22 pm.


 David Chadwick, Mayor

Attest:


 Barbara Boyd, City Secretary

