

**REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS
July 13, 2015
7:00 PM**

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Denman, Mayor Pro Tem Mossman Councilmembers Harry Dollar, John Mahon, Bryce Klug, Jonathan Amdur, and Bob Wartens.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Attorney Dick Gregg, Jr., City Manager Chris Reed, City Secretary Marisela Garcia, Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers, Finance Director Csilla Stiles, Police Chief Joey Cashiola, Planning Commission Chair Roscoe Lee, and Parks Committee Chair Buck Gay.

PRESIDING: Mayor Denman.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Denman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced a quorum of Council was present with seven elected officials in attendance.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

The invocation was given by Father Wencil Pavlovsky of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church.

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by the Nassau Bay Nauticat Champ Meet Swimmers. Mayor Denman presented the Nassau Bay Champ Meet Swimmers a Certificate of Appreciation and posed for a photo with them.

APPOINTMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS

Discussion regarding proposed budget and FY16/17 Council goals

City Manager Reed discussed this year's accomplishments which included the passing of HOT Revenue expenditure legislation, Solar Street Light Project, Medication Drop Box, instituted a youth internship with CCISD, received the 4th Houston's Best and Brightest Places to Work, GFOA Outstanding Budget Presentation Award, and the Comptroller's Leadership Platinum Circle Award for Transparency. Mr. Reed noted that some of the goals for staff would be to improve the playground equipment, restructure the Police Department grade scale, update the City website, establish a fleet management policy and initiate the first fleet replacement program. Some of the ongoing challenges identified included maintaining competitive employee compensation and the general fund plateau.

Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers provided an overview of the proposed goals for Fiscal Year 2016. Ms. Chambers outlined each of the goals which included the following:

- Have a well maintained, reliable public infrastructure system that encourages economic growth and enhances community quality of life.
- Provide visionary leadership that delivers responsive municipal services and fosters collaborative partnerships that enhance Nassau Bay's livability.
- Strengthen relationships with community partners and to improve communication and coordination of efforts to enhance economic development.
- Continue to provide responsive and responsible government.
- Preserve, protect, and enhance the lakes and waterways adjacent and connected to our community.
- Maintain outstanding community facilities.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING: None

CITIZENS' REQUEST FOR HEARING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL

Beverly Morris, Bayfront Towers, voiced her concern regarding the treatment of the hyacinth near Nassau Bay.

City Manager Reed indicated Public Works was working with Texas Parks and Wildlife and will be treating nine areas in Nassau Bay.

David Gillis, Upper Bay Road, suggested the City should include an outreach of to increase understanding of how to navigate our roads safely.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS/REPORTS

Councilmember Amdur commended Fire Chief George and the Fire Department for saving the day on the 4th of July.

Councilmember Mahon highlighted that the Nauticats had 146 members on the summer team and 54 of them made champ time and participated in that weekend's activities. This is the 51st season of the Clear Creek Swim League. Twenty-one records were broken

Councilmember Dollar was impressed with the 4th of July celebration and honored to participate in it.

Mayor Denman recognized the new General Manager at the Hilton, Jeff Hassan, and welcomed him to the community.

REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS & COMMITTEES

COMMITTEES

Fire Department

Fire Chief Tom George reported there were currently 42 members. The members logged 922 standby man hours in June.

Planning Commission

Planning Chairman Roscoe Lee gave an update from their Planning Commission meeting noting that they approve the replat of two empty lots in Clipper Mooring.

Special Events Committee

Councilmember Amdur noted the 4th of July event went really well. Mr. Amdur recognized Stacey Amdur, Gail Barnett, Chris Sajack, Morty Veedell, Todd Griffith, Sarah Plunk, Adam Conrad and Kristi Sykora.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda listed the following items for approval:

Approval of Council Minutes:

A. Regular Meeting on June 8, 2015; and

Resolution reappointing individuals to the Board of Adjustment

The caption of the resolution reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS, REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(Said Resolution is of record in Resolution Book No. 19 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Resolution No. R2015-2045.)

It was moved by Councilmember Mossman, seconded by Councilmember Amdur, that the above items on the Consent Agenda be approved.

Motion passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Report from HOT Revenue Task Force and Direction to Staff

Councilmember Wartens gave an overview of the HOT Revenue Task Force responsibilities. Mr. Wartens indicated the task force studied the issue and spoke with

several people and made a recommendation at the previous Council meeting. New issues have arisen and his recommendation would be to have a workshop with the entire Council to review all the issues involved in this matter.

It was moved by Councilmember Warters, seconded by Councilmember Amdur for Council to recommend that the Mayor convene a workshop for the Council prior to the next Council meeting to have a thorough discussion of this issue.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of a resolution supporting storm surge protection and state funding for studies

The caption of the resolution reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS, SUPPORTING A COASTAL BARRIER SYSTEM TO PROTECT THE HOUSTON/GALVESTON REGION FROM STORM SURGE AND SUB-TROPICAL RAIN EVENTS; REQUESTING FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF TEXAS TO PROVIDE FOR COMPREHENSIVE STUDIES TO DETERMINE THE MOST EFFECTIVE COASTAL BARRIER SYSTEM TO SAFEGUARD THE REGION; REQUESTING THE TEXAS FEDERAL DELEGATION TO SEEK AND SUPPORT FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A COASTAL BARRIER SYSTEM FOR THE AREA; AND PROVIDING FOR DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO ALL TEXAS STATE LEGISLATORS AND THE ENTIRE TEXAS FEDERAL DELEGATION REPRESENTING TEXAS CITIZENS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

(Said Resolution is of record in Resolution Book No. 19 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Resolution No. R2015-2044.)

Mayor Denman gave an overview of the item indicating the Mayor of Morgan's Point requested support of state funding for the Ike Dike. This urges our state elected officials to support the studies to allow us to move forward on some type of protection.

It was moved by Councilmember Mossman, seconded by Councilmember Warters, to approve the resolution supporting a coastal barrier system and state funding.

Motion passed 7-0.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinance Amending the FY15 Annual Budget

The caption of the ordinance reads as follows (first and only reading):

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU

BAY, TEXAS, AMENDING THE FY15 BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE INCREASES IN FIXED ASSET SALES AND MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE BY \$68,000; TO BUDGET INCREASED COSTS RELATED TO THE PURCHASE OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COFFER DAM ON UPPER BAY, AND THE REBUILDING OF A HOFFMAN BLOWER AT THE SEWER PLANT TOTALLING \$69,430 IN THE GENERAL FUND AND \$25,000 IN THE WATER & SEWER FUND; REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES RELATED TO GRANTS AND DONATIONS IN THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TOTALLING \$561,520 IN ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND \$237,190 IN ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES; THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2015 WITH AN INCREASE OF \$12,150 IN DEBT SERVICE FUND EXPENDITURES, \$1,600,000 IN CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES; AND THE BUDGETING OF AN ADDITIONAL \$50,000 IN EXPENDITURES IN THE STREET SALES TAX FUND.

(Said Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Ordinance No. O2015-737.)

Finance Director Stiles gave an overview of the proposed amendments noting they were housekeeping amendments.

It was moved by Councilmember Warters, seconded by Councilmember Amdur, that the ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 15 Annual Budget be approved on first and only reading.

Motion passed 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting recessed to Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. with Mayor Denman reading from the posted agenda the following topic to be discussed in Executive Session:

1. §551.072 Deliberations about Real Property – Discussion regarding the appraisal of city-owned property on Point Lookout Drive and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate the sale.

Meeting returned to Open Session at 8:18 p.m.

ACTION ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Authorize City Manager to move forward on real property discussed in Executive Session

It was moved by Councilmember Warters, seconded by Councilmember Mossman, to approve the item as discussed in executive session.

Motion passed 6 -1, Councilmember Amdur opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes approved as submitted and/or amended this 10th day of August, A.D., 2015.



Marisela Garcia
Marisela Garcia, TRMC
City Secretary

CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS

Mark A. Denman
Mayor