

WOODWAY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 24, 2020

The Woodway City Council met in a special meeting in the Donald J. Baker Council Chambers of Woodway City Hall, 922 Estates Drive, Woodway, Texas, on Friday, August 24, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. The following individuals were in attendance:

Mayor:	Jane Kittner
Mayor Pro Tem:	Absent
Councilmembers:	Scott A. Giddings, Amine Qourzal, David Mercer, David Russell and Storey Cook
City Manager:	Shawn Oubre
City Secretary:	Donna Barkley
City Staff:	Lenny Caballero and William Klump
Contract Staff:	None
Registered Guests:	None

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Kittner called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

INVOCATION

1. INVOCATION

Councilmember Qourzal provided the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS AND VISITORS

2. ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILMEMBER, STOREY COOK

City Secretary Donna Barkley administered the Oath of Office to Storey Cook (Ward 2, Place 1)

3. HEAR VISITORS

No visitors came forward at this time.

ITEMS RELATED TO PROPOSED 2020/2021 ANNUAL BUDGET AND PROPOSED 2020 AD VALOREM TAX RATE

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2020/2021 ANNUAL BUDGET

Mayor Kittner opened the public hearing on the proposed 2020/2021 annual budget. With no one present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed budget, Mayor Kittner closed the public hearing.

5. A. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON ORDINANCE 20-08, ADOPTING THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL BUDGET

Dr. Oubre presented this item, and gave a brief overview of the budget summary. Councilmember Giddings moved to adopt Ordinance 20-08, adopting the City of Woodway 2020/2021 annual budget. Councilmember Qourzal seconded, Mayor Kittner read aloud the caption of the ordinance as required. Voting in favor:

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Councilmember Giddings, Mayor Kittner, Councilmember Qourzal, Councilmember Mercer, Councilmember Russell and Councilmember Cook. The motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

B. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON RATIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE BUDGET

Councilmember Mercer moved to ratify (approve) the property tax revenue increase reflected in the budget. Councilmember Giddings seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Councilmember Giddings, Mayor Kittner, Councilmember Qourzal, Councilmember Mercer, Councilmember Russell and Councilmember Cook. The motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

6. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2020 AD VALOREM TAX RATE

Mayor Kittner opened the public hearing on the 2020 proposed ad valorem tax rate of .4500 per \$100.00 of appraised property value. With no one present to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed rate, Mayor Kittner closed the public hearing.

7. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON ORDINANCE 20-09, ADOPTING THE 2020 AD VALOREM TAX RATE

Dr. Oubre provided comments, and Councilmember Giddings moved to adopt Ordinance 20-09 and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .4500/\$100 of appraised property value, which is effectively a 1.03 percent increase in the tax rate. Councilmember Mercer seconded, Mayor Kittner read aloud the caption of the ordinance as required. Voting in favor: Councilmember Giddings, Mayor Kittner, Councilmember Qourzal, Councilmember Mercer, Councilmember Russell and Councilmember Cook. The motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

8. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON ORDINANCE 20-10, AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 2-5, CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN ADOPTED, OF THE CITY OF WOODWAY CODE OF ORDINANCES

Dr. Oubre provided comments. Councilmember Qourzal moved to adopt Ordinance 20-10, amending Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-5, Classification and Compensation Plan Adopted, of the City of Woodway Code of Ordinances. Councilmember Giddings seconded, Mayor Kittner read aloud the caption of the ordinance as required, and the motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

9. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON RESOLUTION R-20-14, AMENDING THE CITY OF WOODWAY MASTER FEE SCHEDULE

Dr. Oubre provided comments. Councilmember Giddings moved to adopt Resolution R-20-14, amending the City of Woodway Master Fee Schedule. Councilmember Mercer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION

10. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 10, 2020, AT 5:30 P.M.

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Councilmember Giddings moved to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 10, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. Councilmember Mercer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by the Councilmembers present.

11. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON NEW CITY SEAL LOGO

Dr. Caballero presented three different designs for the new City Seal logo. After a brief discussion, the City Council directed Dr. Caballero to bring back additional designs including leaves and trees similar to the design currently being used in the rebranding of the City to keep continuity.

12. DISCUSSION AND BRIEFING CONCERNING THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AND ANY ACTIONS NECESSARY THERETO

Dr. Oubre provided the following:

- No updates since the last meeting; still under the Governor's order
- Woodway First Baptist Church is planning a drive-in concert in October. The Governor's Order exempts religious functions. The City is monitoring it and we have an open line of communication about handling traffic with the Public Safety department. However, as far as permitting or regulating, the City doesn't have a say in it.
- As you know from the daily notices we have finally gotten back under one hundred positive results a day.

There are no items in need of action.

CITY MANAGER AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

13. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Dr. Oubre provided the following:

- City Manager's annual evaluation next month - With everything going on, the Mayor and I discussed it and chose to put it off until September.
- Just received third party engineer's report on the Sewer Replacement Project, Phase 2 today. After staff reviews it, we will provide to City Council for discussion and action.
- Staff has been mowing 1115 Wood Valley and it has accumulated mowing liens. We are working with initiating conversations with tax lawyers, Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson who work with cities to collect arrears in taxes or dispose of properties that no one is upkeeping or paying taxes on. We will let you know what they advise us at a later date.
- Cul de sac in Red River

14. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

No City Council reports at this time.

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CLOSING ITEMS

15. CONSIDER ACTION ON THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT RESOLUTION

Councilmember Mercer moved to approve the Open Meetings Act Resolution. Councilmember Qourzal seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously by the councilmembers present.

16. CONSIDER ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Giddings moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mercer seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously by the councilmembers present. The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Donna Barkley, City Secretary

Jane Kittner, Mayor