

8.23.2022 Special Called City Council Minutes

The Cleveland City Council met for a Special Called City Council meeting on August 23, 2022, in person at 907 E. Houston, Cleveland, Texas, with Mayor Richard Boyett presiding.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Richard Boyett, Mayor Pro-Tem Marilyn Clay, Councilmember Carolyn McWaters, Councilmember Eddie Lowery, Councilmember Fred Terrell, Interim City Manager Robert Reynolds

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Desiree David

ATTENDEES: Terralyn J. May, Jennifer Jeude

1. Roll Call

Mayor Richard Boyett called the Special Called City Council meeting to order at 3:30 pm and did a roll call of council, which showed that there was a quorum.

2. Invocation and Pledge

Police Chief Darrell Broussard gave the invocation and everyone recited the pledge to the U.S. and Texas flags.

3. Public Comments

Niki Coats shared his opinions regarding the No New Revenue Tax Rate and Liberty County Appraisal changes.

4. Proclamation for New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church 100'h Anniversary

Discussion and Action Items

5. Discuss, consider and take action on awarding TCEQ Permit Renewal agreement with Bleyl Engineering.

Hector Forestier and Travis Walker with Bleyl Engineering expressed appreciation for the opportunity to work for the City of Cleveland.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem to approve the TCEQ Permit Renewal agreement with Bleyl Engineering, seconded by CC Eddie Lowery.

All present in favor – Motion Passed.

6. Discuss, consider, and take action on regarding the proposed 2022-2023 City Budget.

Finance Director Leslie Herrera presented the proposed 2022-2023 City Budget; explained the tax rates and their origin.

Motion to accept the 0.715 Tax Rate by CC Fred Terrell, seconded by CC Eddie Lowery.

Those in favor – Fred Terrell, Eddie Lowery, Marilyn Clay, Mayor Boyett.

Those against – Carolyn McWaters

Motion Passed

7. Discuss, consider, and take action on approval of the No New Revenue and Voter Approval Tax Rates for the FY 2022-2023.

Director of Finance, Leslie Herrera stated that the motion on Item 6 applies to Item 7.

Mayor Boyett agreed.

8. Discuss, consider, and take action on calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for FY 2022-2023.

Motion to approve a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for FY 2022-2023 to be held on September 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. made by CC Terrell, seconded by CC Lowery.

All present in favor – Motion Passed.

9. Discuss, consider, and take action on calling for a Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rates for FY 2022-2023.

Motion to approve a Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rates for FY 2022-2023 to be held on September 13, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. made by CC Lowery, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clay.

All present in favor – Motion Passed.

Prior to discussing Item 10, CC McWaters asked for an item to be placed on the agenda for the City Council Regular Meeting on September 20, 2022 – Ordinance regarding Vape Shops and Game Rooms.

Additional discussions were made by Department Heads regarding their desires for budgetary needs within their prospective departments.

10. Discussion on City Manager Position.

Council chose to discuss in Executive Session under Texas Local Government Code 551.074 – Personnel matters at 4:27 p.m.

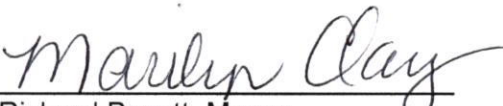
Return to Open Session at 5:07 p.m.

No action taken

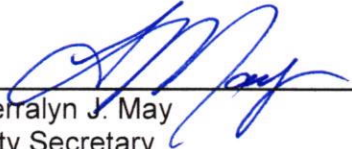
Adjournment

CC Lowery made a motion to adjourn with a second from Mayor Pro Tem Clay. Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of September 2022


Richard Boyett, Mayor
Or Marilyn Clay, Mayor Pro - Tem

ATTEST:


Terralyn J. May
City Secretary