

A Regular City Council Meeting

CITY OF GOLIAD

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MINUTES

The regularly scheduled Goliad City Council Meeting was held on February 14th, 2018, at 6:00 PM. in the Goliad City Hall, located at 152 W. End Street in Goliad Texas. The following Council members were present or absent as recorded below:

Mayor Trudia Preston Present

Mayor Pro Tem Luis Rodriguez Present

Councilwoman Burns Present

Councilwoman Alaniz Present

Councilman Charles Benavides Absent

Councilman Lill Present

The following staff members were also present:

Barbara Boulware-Wells, City Attorney (Via "Go to Meeting")

Gary Paredes – Public Works Director

Sherry Cathey-Kuentler, Finance Officer

Kandi Hubert, City Administrator/Secretary

Mayor Preston called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and announced that there was a quorum present.

The invocation was given Councilwoman Alaniz and the Mayor led the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and Texas flag.

**Citizens Comments**

Hernan Jaso appeared before the City Council to thank Council for awarding the Zaragoza Society hotel motel monies. To fund the Cinco De Mayo Festival. Mr. Jaso stated this year's bands will be some of the best and he stated he was hopeful the City's Sister City would be able to attend.

**Reports**

**A. Financial Officer's written report.**

Accepted as presented.

**B. Main Street written report**

Accepted as presented

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- C. **Public Works Report**  
Accepted as presented.
- D. **Administrator's report**  
Accepted as presented.

### **Consent Agenda**

**All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Council member in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.**

- A. Bills paid
- B. Budget adjustments for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.
- C. January 24<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 minutes. minutes

Councilman Lill requested item B. be removed from the consent agenda.

Councilwoman Alaniz moved to approve the consent agenda sans B. that was pulled. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lill. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

After questioning the City's Finance Officer about the building maintenance fund Councilman Lill moved to approve item B, Budget adjustments for the 2016-2017 fiscal year be approved. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Burns. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

### **Presentation by Christopher Janecek with Roloff, Hnatek & Co., L.L.P. re: the audit from fiscal year 2016-2017.**

Mr. Janecek gave an oral report and explained the 2016-2017 audit regarding the City's finances. The City's reporting and finances are in good shape.

### **Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, Take Final Action (s) and Vote on accepting the 2016-2017 annual audit.**

Councilman Lill moved to accept and approve the 2016-2017 audit for the City of Goliad. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

The City Council took a break at 6:46 pm.

The City Council reconvened at 6:55 pm.

### **Presentation by Bill Stein regarding the City's new well and storage tank.**

Mr. Stein updated the City Council on the design of the new well and the progress the engineering team is making.

### **Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, Take Final Action (s) and Vote on renewing the Financial Advisor agreement with RBC Capital Markets.**

Councilman Lill moved to approve the renewal of the Financial Advisor's contract after the City's attorney's review and acceptance of same. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Burns. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

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**Presentation by Robert V. Henderson with RBC Capital Markets regarding funding options for the City's new water well and storage tank.**

There was much discussion, but no action taken at this time.

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, Take Final Action (s) and Vote on securing a financial advisor to fund the new well and storage tank.**

Action was taken on item 11

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, Take Final Action (s) and Vote on Ordinance 002-14-01. adopting the City's Emergency Management Plan.**

Councilwoman Burns moved to adopt Ordinance 002-14-1 adopting the City's Emergency Management Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, Councilwoman Burns and Councilwoman Alaniz. Against: Councilman Lill. Motion carried 3-1.

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, and Take Final Action (s) regarding City Council/staff benefits and/or stipends.**

The City Council took a break at 7:45 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 7:53

Councilman Lill moved to change the Councilperson's benefits from a credit to their utility bills to a monthly check of seventy dollars (\$70.00). The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez. For: Councilman Lill and mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez. Against: Councilwomen Alaniz and Burns. The Mayor broke the tie and the motion passed 3-2.

Councilman Lill moved to approve a change in benefits for the City employees. There will no longer be a credit for employee living inside the City of thirty-five dollars on their utility bills, instead all employees will earn a 35-dollar monthly benefit to be disbursed in December. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Lill left the meeting after the above actions.

Councilwoman Alaniz moved to approve a stipend of \$35.00 monthly for the volunteer firemen to be dispersed in December. The stipend would replace the current water bill credit. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilwoman Burns moved to approve a stipend of \$20.00 monthly for the volunteer firemen to be dispersed in December. The stipend would replace the current water bill credit. The motion died for lack of a second.

Councilwoman Burns moved to approve a stipend of \$25.00 monthly for the volunteer firemen to be dispersed in December and managed by the Fire Chief. The stipend would replace the current water bill credit. Councilwoman Alaniz seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

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**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, and Take Final Action and Vote to approve the MOU for law enforcement services.**

Councilwoman Burns moved to table this item until the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, so the City attorney could review same. The motion was seconded. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, and Take Final Action and Vote on sponsoring two tables at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet.**

Councilwoman Burns moved to approve the City's sponsoring two tables for the Chamber of Commerce banquet. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, and Take Final Action and Vote to participate in the Goliad County Fair Associations county fair parade.**

Councilwoman Alaniz moved to have the City participate in the Goliad County Fair Parade. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Burns. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

**Discuss, Deliberate, Consider, and Take Final Action and Vote on inviting Goliad's sister City to Goliad for the Zaragoza sponsored Cinco De Mayo celebration the weekend of May 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.**

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to invite Goliad's sister City to the City to celebrate Cinco De Mayo. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - The City Council went into Executive Session (Closed) at 8:41 pm in accordance with the **TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE** 551.071 (Advice of Counsel), and Section, and Section 1.05 Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct regarding:

- PUC – Texas Parks and Wildlife v The City of Goliad

The City Council reconvened the meeting at 8:50 pm to take action on items discussed in Executive Session.

There was no action taken.

**Council and Staff Comments.**

There are two/three lift station pumps that need to be replaced.

The City needs to adopt or readopt the drought contingency plan,

**Items to be placed on next agenda**

- MOU
- Financial advisor contract
- Replacement pumps for lift stations
- Drought contingency plan

**Upcoming events of the City**

Rodeo

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Chamber Banquet

Run for life

There being no further business to come before the board, Councilwoman Burns moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Alaniz. For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-


The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

Passed and approved this 28 day of February 2018.

  
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Mayor Trudia Preston

Attest:

  
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K. M. Hubert, City Secretary



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