CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES –SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

The Special Called Meeting of the City Council was held on **September 2, 2021** at 5:00 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street. This was an OPEN MEETING, open to the public, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas and, as required by law, was duly posted, at the Gonzales Municipal Building, giving notice of time, date, place, and agenda thereof. The meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet were posted online at www.gonzales.texas.gov.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Kacir called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Connie L. Kacir	Mayor	Present in person
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present in person
Sherri Koepp	Council Member, District 2	Present in person
Bobby O'Neal	Council Member, District 3	Absent
Robert R. Brown, Jr.	Council Member, District 4	Absent

STAFF PARTICIPATING:

Liz Reiley-Main Street Manager/Tourism Director, Gary Schurig-Museum Director, Marty Ficken, Golf Course Superintendent, Caroline Helms, Library Director, Ralph Camarillo-Parks Director, James Cowey-Building Official, Billy Rhoades-Building Maintenance Superintendent, Wade Zella -Battalion Chief, Tim Crow-Police Chief, Todd Remschel-Street Director, Keith Schauer-City Engineer, Nick Deleon-Electric Director, Marland Mercer-Wastewater Superintendent, Ryan Wilkerson-Water Superintendent, Tim Patek-City Manager, Laura Zella-Finance Director, Kristina Vega-City Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

No individuals were signed in or present to speak.

ACTION ITEMS

1.1 Discuss, Consider and Possible Action Approving Resolution #2021-68 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement for Election Services with Gonzales County for the November 2, 2021 Special Election to fill a vacancy.

ACTION: Items 1.1 APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 3 to 0.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Kacir opened the Public Hearing for the following items:

The City Council of the City of Gonzales has approved a preliminary tax rate of \$0.3252, which exceeds the lower of the no-new revenue or voter-approval tax rate, and that if adopted, would

increase the total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 5.39% or \$88,200, but would decrease the total tax rate from the preceding tax year by \$0.0259, or 7.38%.

Public Hearing for citizen input regarding the use of City Funds for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$88,200 or 5.39% and of that amount \$8,176 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Public Hearing for citizen input regarding the proposed Rate Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022.

No comments were made regarding the Public Hearings.

Mayor Kacir stated the proposed tax rate and budget will be voted on at the September 9th meeting at 6:00 p.m. at Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas 78629.

Mayor Kacir closed the public hearings.

WORKSHOP

2.1 Presentation and discussion regarding Departmental Budget Requests for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2021 Ending September 30, 2022.

The City Council and staff deliberated regarding the proposed budget requests for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2021 Ending September 30, 2022

ADJOURN

On a motion by Council Member Koepp and a second by Council Member Kridler, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of September 2021.

Kristina Vega, City Secretary