

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES –FEBRUARY 10, 2022**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on **February 10, 2022** at 6:00 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 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Connie L. Kacir	Mayor	Present
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present
Sherri Koepp	Council Member, District 2	Present
Bobby O’Neal	Council Member, District 3	Present
Ronda Miller	Council Member, District 5	Present

STAFF PARTICIPATING:

Tim Patek-City Manager, Kristina Vega-City Secretary, Tim Crow-Chief of Police, Gary Schurig-Museum Director, Todd Remschel-Street Director, Marland Mercer-Water/Wastewater Director, Amanda Garza-JB Wells Park Arena Manager and Laura Zella-Finance Director

CITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcements of upcoming City Events-March 1st at 11:00 a.m. Immortal 32 Ceremony, March 2nd at 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Toast to Texas on Texas Heroes Square, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. Wreath Laying Ceremony and the Young Texians will perform at the Museum Monument commemorating the date that the Alamo fell and March 6th at the Alamo at dawn also memorializing the men that died in the fall of the Alamo.
- Announcements and recognitions by the City Manager
- Announcements and recognitions by the Mayor
- Recognition of actions by City employees
- Recognition of actions by community volunteers

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Brad Cox-Executive Director of the Chamber informed all that the Chamber of Commerce has now moved to their new location at 304 St. Louis and invited all to attend a ribbon cutting on February 22nd at between 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. with the ribbon cutting being at 6:00 p.m.

Barbara Crozier informed everyone of the upcoming events and invited all to attend-March 1st at 11:00 a.m. Immortal 32 Ceremony at Alamo Plaza, March 2nd at 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Toast to Texas on Texas with the toast being at 12:00 p.m. on Heroes Square, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. Wreath Laying Ceremony and the Young Texians will perform at the Museum Monument

commemorating the date that the Alamo fell and March 6th at the Alamo at dawn also memorializing the men that died in the fall of the Alamo.

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Gonzales is accepting comment in regard to the use of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (hereinafter “ARPA”) funds signed into law on March 11, 2021. On May 10, 2021, the United States Department of the Treasury published guidance regarding the allowable usage of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (hereinafter “CLFRF”) to be disseminated to local governments in accordance with the ARPA. The total allocation of CLFRF funds to the City of Gonzales, as published by the U.S. Treasury, is \$1,866,571.55 of which the City received the first fifty percent (50%) of its CLFRF allocation (\$933,285.78) on September 15, 2021.

Mayor Kacir opened the Public Hearing.

No comments were made.

Mayor Kacir closed the Public Hearing

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Councilmember.

- 1.1 **Minutes** - Approval of the minutes for the January 13, 2022 Regular Meeting & January 18, 2022 Special Called Meeting
- 1.2 Acknowledging Receipt of the 2021 Annual Racial Profiling Report
- 1.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-11** Authorizing the Use of Texas Heroes Square Including the Parking Lot for the Gonzales Master Gardener’s Annual Spring Plant Sale on April 9, 2022
- 1.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-12** Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement for Election Services with Elections Administrator of Gonzales County for the May 7, 2022 General Election
- 1.5 Discuss, Consider Possible Action on **Ordinance #2022-2** Ordering a General Municipal Election to be Held on May 7, 2022, for the Purpose of Electing an Individual to the Office of Mayor
- 1.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-13** Approving the Purchase of a 2022 Freightliner M2106 Cab and Chassis Truck with H.D. Industries, Inc. Pro Patcher Pothole Patcher bed and authorizing the City Manager to execute the financing agreements
- 1.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-14** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a License Agreement with the Gonzales Little League

ACTION: Items 1.1 through 1.6

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve the consent agenda items 1.1 through 1.6; removing agenda item 1.7 for separate consideration. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 1.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-14** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a License Agreement with the Gonzales Little League

ACTION: Items 1.7

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2022-14** Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a License Agreement with the Gonzales Little League. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

RESOLUTIONS

- 2.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-15** Authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal and Budgetary Policy Statement for the City of Gonzales

ACTION: Items 2.1

APPROVED

Council Member Koepp moved to approve **Resolution #2022-15** Authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal and Budgetary Policy Statement for the City of Gonzales. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 2.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-16** Approving a Performance Agreement by and between the City of Gonzales and GEDC Concerning Upgrades to the Gonzales Memorial Museum

ACTION: Items 2.2

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2022-16** Approving a Performance Agreement by and between the City of Gonzales and GEDC Concerning Upgrades to the Gonzales Memorial Museum. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 2.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-17** Accepting the proposals and awarding the contract for the Gonzales Memorial Museum and Amphitheatre Reflecting Pool Recirculating Pump project

ACTION: Items 2.3

APPROVED

Council Member Koepp moved to approve **Resolution #2021-17** Accepting the proposals and awarding the contract for the Gonzales Memorial Museum and Amphitheatre Reflecting Pool Recirculating Pump project. Council Member O'Neal seconded the

motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 2.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-18** Accepting the donation of a Little Free Library to be used at J.B. Wells Park

ACTION: Items 2.4

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2022-18** Accepting the donation of a Little Free Library to be used at J.B. Wells Park. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 2.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-19** Approving the TexasEDConnection 2022 Partnership Agreement by and Between the GEDC and Day One Experts, LLC.

ACTION: Items 2.5

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2022-19** Approving the TexasEDConnection 2022 Partnership Agreement by and Between the GEDC and Day One Experts, LLC. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

- 2.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2022-20** Approving Changes to the Administrative Assistant to President/CEO Job Description Current Position Classifications for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 within the Economic Development Corporation Department

ACTION: Items 2.6

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to approve **Resolution #2022-20** Approving Changes to the Administrative Assistant to President/CEO Job Description Current Position Classifications for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 within the Economic Development Corporation Department. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

ORDINANCES

- 3.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2022-3** Approving a Budget Amendment to the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2021 and Ending September 30, 2022; General Fund: \$2,242,163.96 in expenses and \$1,862,678.96 in revenue, Electric Fund: \$40,865.44 in expenses, Water Fund: \$10,367 in expenses, Wastewater Fund: \$228,700 in expenses and Hotel/Motel Fund: \$23,217.15 in expenses

ACTION: Items 3.1

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Ordinance #2022-3** Approving a Budget Amendment to the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2021 and Ending

September 30, 2022; General Fund: \$2,242,163.96 in expenses and \$1,862,678.96 in revenue, Electric Fund: \$40,865.44 in expenses, Water Fund: \$10,367 in expenses, Wastewater Fund: \$228,700 in expenses and Hotel/Motel Fund: \$23,217.15 in expenses. Council Member Koepp seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF CHAPTER 14 ZONING ORDINANCE

4.1 Conduct a public hearing and consider approval of **Ordinance #2022-4** Amending the Gonzales Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 Zoning, Related to Garage Requirements, Posted Sign Notice, and Zoning Variances

Mayor Kacir opened the Public Hearing.

Ruth Guerra spoke in favor of removing the garage requirements from the Zoning Ordinance.

Mayor Kacir closed the Public Hearing.

Bryce Cox-Planning Consultant briefed the City Council on the several options regarding the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the garage requirements, the removal of the posted sign notice and zoning variance amendments.

ACTION: Items 4.1

APPROVED

Council Member Miller moved to approve **Ordinance #2022-4** Amending the Gonzales Code of Ordinances Chapter 14 Zoning, Removing the Garage requirements and postponing amendments to Posted Sign Notice, and Zoning Variances requirements. Council Member O'Neal seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Discuss, Consider and Possible Action regarding policy recommendations from the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport Advisory Board regarding authorizing the use of specific portions of the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport for private or public events if allowed by current grant assurance and hangar lease provision, and setting any terms, conditions, and associated fees as applicable

ACTION: Items 5.1

APPROVED

Council Member O'Neal moved to accept the recommendation from the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport Advisory Board regarding not allowing non-aviation uses to be conducted at the airport. Council Member Kridler seconded the motion. Mayor Kacir called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

- 6.1 Finance Director will provide feedback on any questions regarding:
- Financial Reports for funds as of January 31, 2022
 - Cash & Investment by Fund as of January 31, 2022
 - Quarterly Investment Report ending December 31, 2021
- 6.2 City Manager, Tim Patek will update the City Council on the following:
- Tourism Steering Committee
 - Eggleston House Improvements
 - Certified Public Manager certification
 - Sewer Line camera project
 - Timeline on Capital Improvement Projects
 - Recently Completed Projects
 - Projects Currently in Process
 - Upcoming Projects

CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

The Council convened into closed session at 7:27 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- 7.1 (1) Pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1).

- A) Project A
- B) Project B

- (2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person:

- A) Oil and Gas Leases

- (3) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter”, to include the following matters:

- A) Delinquent Hotel Motel Tax Collection
 - A Guerra Enterprise, LLC. dba Holiday Inn Express & Suites

- AR Guerra Holdings, LLC dba Sleep Inn and Suites
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RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council convened into open session at 7:58 p.m.

- 7.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action authorizing to negotiate matters discussed in closed session, and/or other actions necessary or recommended related to such discussions in closed session.

No action was taken.

CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on a future City Council agenda
- Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
- City and community events attended and to be attended
- Continuing education events attended and to be attended-Hog Wild is Friday, July 29, 2022

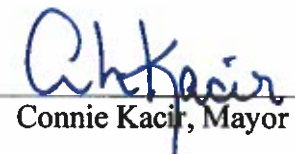
ADJOURN

On a motion by Council Member O'Neal and second by Council Member Koepp, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of March, 2022.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary



Connie Kacir, Mayor