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City of George West



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Mayor Pro-Tem
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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 9/26/2023

- I. Call Meeting to Order- Mayor Andrew Garza called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call-
Mayor Andrew Garza-Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld-Present
Councilman Nathan Stroleny-Present
Councilwoman Patricia Clifton-Present
Councilman- John Walker-Present
- III. Invocation-Mayor Andrew Garza gave the invocation.
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States-D'Ann Lane led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.
- V. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas-D'Ann Lane led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas
- VI. Public Comments

Mark Katzfey was present for a public comment. He wanted to address the council about the recent purchase of the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Dee Cathy was present for a public comment. She wanted to address the council and let them know about all the things they do for our community.

VII. Announcements and Correspondence

- a) George West Homecoming Parade Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.
- b) Trunk-R-Treat Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- c) National Night Out will be October 10, 2023, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the October 2023 City Council Regular Session Meeting to 6:30 p.m.

2. **Consideration and Action** to approve the following minutes:
 - a) **Special Session City Council Meeting Minutes 9/12/2023.**
3. **Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for August 2023.
4. **Consideration and Action** to approve the closure of Guadalupe Street between Travis Street and Crockett Street from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2023, for the St. George Annual Turkey Dinner.
5. **Consideration and Action** to approve the street closures of Frio, Travis and Crockett for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the George West City Park.

Mayor Garza asked if anything needed to be pulled. Patricia Clifton asked to pull agenda items #1 and #5. Mayor Garza called for a vote on agenda items 2-5. There was one nay by Patricia Clifton. Motion carried.

Agenda item #1 Consideration and Action to change the time of the October 2023 City Council Regular Session Meeting to 6:30 p.m. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to amend by striking 6:30 and inserting 5:00. Move as read by Patricia Clifton. Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. All in favor. Amendment carried.

Amended Agenda item #1 Consideration and Action to change the time of the October 2023 City Council Regular Session Meeting to 5:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Agenda item #5 Consideration and Action to approve the street closures of Frio, Travis and Crockett for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the George West City Park. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to amend by striking 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and inserting 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Amendment carried.

Amended agenda item #5 Consideration and Action to approve the street closures of Frio, Travis and Crockett for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the George West City Park. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE:

Public Hearing

**CITY OF GEORGE WEST, TEXAS
PUBLIC HEARING
FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 PROPOSED PROPERTY**

**TAX RATE
CITY HALL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023
AT 5:00 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that the City of George West City Council will hold its Second Public Hearing at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at George West City Hall, 406 Nueces Street, George West, Texas to receive written and/or oral comments to discuss the proposed Property Tax Rate as it pertains to ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City of George West, Texas, for the 2023-2024 fiscal year; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; providing discounts; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid.

Mayor Garza opened a public hearing at 5:24 p.m. There was no opposition. The hearing was closed at 5:25 p.m.

6. Consideration and Action to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 927, LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF GEORGE WEST, TEXAS FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; PROVIDING DISCOUNTS; AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.

Move as read by Patricia Clifton. Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Mayor Garza called for a vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Andrew Garza-AYE
Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld-AYE
Place 1 Nathan Stroleny-AYE
Place 3 Patricia Clifton-AYE
Place 4 John Walker-AYE

Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Public Hearing

**CITY OF GEORGE WEST, TEXAS
PUBLIC HEARING
2023-2024 PROPOSED BUDGET
CITY HALL**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023
AT 5:00 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that the City of George West City Council will hold its Second Public Hearing at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at George West City Hall, 406 Nueces Street, George West, Texas to receive written and/or oral comments to discuss the Budget for Fiscal Year October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024, for use of municipal funds to support the City of George West Budget.

Mayor Garza opened a public hearing at 5:27 p.m. There was no opposition. The hearing was closed at 5:28 p.m.

ORDINANCE:

7. **Consideration and Action to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 928, ADOPTING THE CITY OF GEORGE WEST OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; TO BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK; APPROPRIATING MONIES AS PROVIDED IN THE BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERANCE.**

Move as read by Patricia Clifton. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Open for discussion. Mayor Garza called for a vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Andrew Garza-AYE
Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld-AYE
Place 1 Nathan Stroleny-AYE
Place 3 Patricia Clifton-AYE
Place 4 John Walker-AYE

Motion carried with unanimous vote.

BRIEFINGS:

8. **Interim City Manager's Report:**
 - a) Revenue and Expense Report for August 2023
 - b) City and Project Updates
9. **Questions or Briefings at the City Council's Request:**
 - a) Code Enforcement
 - b) Municipal Court Report
 - c) Public Works
 - d) Police Chief Report
 - e) Animal Control

Shirley Holm gave the financial reports. For Year to Date, the General and Utility Funds are at a negative of \$ 179,267 combined, which is due to the litigation and purchase expense of the acreage needed for the WWTP. The ending bank account balance is \$2,175,619.

10. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED: _____
Andrew Garza, Mayor