



BAY CITY

MINUTES • JULY 27, 2016

Council Chambers

Special Meeting

6:00 PM

1901 5TH STREET
BAY CITY, TX 77414

1. CALL TO ORDER & CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Mark Bricker	Mayor	Present	
Chrystal Folse	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	
William Cornman	Councilman	Present	
Julie Estlinbaum	Councilwoman	Present	
Steven Johnson	Councilman	Present	
Carolyn Thames	Councilwoman	Excused	

2. REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL:

1. Report

DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND/OR AMEND THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE CITY OF BAY CITY FOR THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR.

Mayor Mark A. Bricker

The Mayor started the meeting by informing Council that the 3% increase for raises and the 25% increase for health insurance was included in their new budget he just provided. Mrs. Clegg provided Council the most recent information on the insurance renewal.

The Mayor moved on to the departmental budgets.

Police

Councilwoman Estlinbaum asked how the Police Department was staffed, and Chief stated that he had put in for two positions. The Mayor spoke to the Chief regarding one of the positions, and he asked the Chief to speak about it. The Chief explained that with the Michael Morton Act they spend 35-40 hours a week burning copies, so he was requesting a Digital Clerk. Councilman Cornman clarified that the Chief had a 75% FTE need and a 25% IT need, and the Chief stated yes. Councilman Cornman clarified the number of positions being requested. The Mayor pointed out that Parks and Recreation's position had been added into the budget.

On a separate note the Mayor pointed out that the Gas Company would only be contributing \$150,000 this year.

Chief informed Mayor and Council that he was asking for \$62,000 in overtime. He added that something to think about was that it cost the City a lot of money to work parades. It equates to 4 hours of overtime for each of the 23 Officers. The Mayor asked how much did parades cost, and the Chief stated \$3,500 to \$4,000 a parade.

The Chief went on to review the other changes within his budget. Travel and Training increased \$16,000; Safety and Supplies decreased \$7,000; the Chief stated

that Fuel could be dropped \$10,000; Operational Support increased; advertising decreased \$4,000; and Miscellaneous Furniture and Equipment increased.

The Mayor asked how many vehicles did the Chief need and the Chief stated that he requested 5. The Chief added that he had also requested \$35,000 for the restroom remodel.

Animal Control

The Chief explained that General Supplies and Miscellaneous Furniture and Equipment increased.

Fire Department

The Chief informed Mayor and Council that the Fire Department did not submit a budget, so what was submitted for them was the same as last year. The Mayor stated that they had mentioned they needed a Pumper Truck. The Chief concurred, but added that he was told it would be purchased by the County.

Councilman Cornman asked what PD was facing in the future, and the Chief stated that it was hard to say. The Chief pointed out that if they were only given 3 vehicles they would make due. Councilman Cornman asked how the Motorcycle Officer was. The Chief explained that it did not work out with the Officer, and that he was placed back on patrol. He went on to say that the new Traffic Enforcement Officer is Keith Hatton. The Chief did comment that future staffing shows there is a greater need for civilians than that of Officers.

The Mayor asked how would the City reassess the 4-5 Officers they received. The Chief stated that he did not know how to measure that, but also that he did not know if the residents would change, but he felt that the transient population would increase.

IT

Mrs. Gresham stated that there were not a lot of increases. She pointed out that the big one was in Contracted Services, from Harris County for the radios. There was also increases in Uniforms; Telephones; and Cell Phones.

Mayor Pro Tem Folse asked why Harris County increased the cost so much, and Mrs. Gresham explained that they have a new system so they broke out the cost for the different organizations.

IT Capital Improvement Projects

Mrs. Gresham explained that she was only asking for one thing, firewall upgrades. She added that with the Police Department they get audited and every three years which forces the City to upgrade. Mrs. Gresham stated that next year she would be asking for additional backup storage. Councilman Cornman asked what the cost was, and Mrs. Gresham stated approximately \$100,000.

3. ITEMS / COMMENTS & MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Cornman asked that when a meeting is canceled that they be told why it is being canceled.

4. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA NOTICES:**Action by Council Authorized:**

The City Council may vote and/or act upon any item within this Agenda. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, pursuant to and in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.071, to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offer or on a 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 conflict with the Open Meetings Act and may invoke this right where the City Attorney, the Mayor or a majority of the Governing Body deems an executive session is necessary to allow privileged consultation between the City Attorney and the governing body, if considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act. The City Attorney may appear in person, or appear in executive session by conference call in accordance with applicable state law.

Attendance By Other Elected or Appointed Officials:

It is anticipated that members of other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be Agenda City Council August 8, 2013 in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Executive Sessions Authorized:

This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City's legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of Texas Government Code Chapter 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy Texas Government Code Chapter 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion.

This is to certify that the above notice of a Workshop Meeting was posted on the front window of the City Hall of the City of Bay City, Texas on Friday, July 22, 2016 before 6:00 p.m. Any questions concerning the above items, please contact Mayor Mark A. Bricker at (979) 245-2137.

Rhonda Clegg
City Secretary



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DISCUSSION ITEM (ID # 2372)

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