



**CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2022 ~ 4 P.M.
LADY BIRD GOLF COURSE-CARDINAL ROOM
341 GOLFERS LOOP
FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS 78624**

The City of Fredericksburg City Council held their Work Session Meeting on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Jeryl Hoover
Mayor Pro-Tem Bobby Watson
Councilmember Emily Kirchner
Councilmember Tony Klein
Councilmember Sharon Joseph

Members Absent:

None.

City Staff Present:

Clinton Bailey, City Manager
Daniel Jones, City Attorney
Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief
Brian Vorauer, Police Chief
Eric Whiting, Information Technology Director
Andrea Schmidt, Parks and Recreation Director
Laura Hollenbeak, Finance Director
Garret Bonn, Interim City Engineer and Interim Director of Development Services
Kris Kneese, Interim Public Works Director
Tammie Loth, Human Recourse Director
Derek Seelig, Police Lieutenant
Braxton Roemer, Police Lieutenant
Justin Calhoun, Emergency Management
Reagan Rabke, Fire Marshall
Evan Williamson, Staff Engineer
David Jung, EMS Administration
David Kellam, Senior City Accountant
Krista Wareham, Finance Manager
Lori Seewald, EMS Accounts Administrator
Leslie Ball-Embrey, Administrative Assistant
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Meeting of the Fredericksburg City Council to order at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, August 22, 2022.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hoover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM

No one wished to speak.

4. FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 BUDGET

A. Receive comments from Clinton Bailey, City Manager.

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, reviewed the process for today's meeting.

B. Presentation on the budget.

Laura Hollenbeak, Finance Director, reviewed the attached PowerPoint.

C. Hold a public hearing to receive comments for or against the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023, October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$91,515, a 1.82% increase, and of that amount \$121,640 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kirchner, to open the public hearing at 4:46 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

Eric Hammersen, City resident, read the attached statements regarding budget priorities.

Mickey Poole spoke regarding the City Council's need to run the City more like a business and return the American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

Debra Habecker, City resident, reviewed the definition of Cities and the function of City. She also encouraged the City Council to return the American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

Wesley Hesker spoke regarding essential services. He also spoke regarding the cost of the future expenses for new additions. Return ARF. He also reviewed several line items that went up.

Jerry McCorkle spoke regarding returning the American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

Sylvia Hicks spoke regarding returning the American Rescue Plan Act Funds and property tax.

Sandra McDonald spoke regarding returning American Rescue Plan Act Funds and the need to cut the FY2023 budget.

Annette Bennett, City resident, spoke regarding the need to return the American Rescue Plan Act Funds and not accept any more funding with strings.

Carol Hammersen, City resident, read the attached statements regarding budget priorities.

Mary Studor, City resident, spoke regarding returning American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

Edith McCanless spoke regarding the budget needing to be created from actual expenses.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Joseph, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to close the public hearing at 5:10 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Review, discuss, and provide direction.

The City Council reviewed the following request or line items:

- Tennis Courts and Pickle Ball – removal from the budget
- Capital Improvement Plan
- Radios for Fire and EMS
- Architect funds for Fire/EMS - consensus to move forward
- The scoreboard at the baseball fields – look into private businesses for donations.
- Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau
- Staff cost of living adjustment and \$18,000 to implement the remaining Police and Fire/EMS Departments Step Program – consensus to implement the remaining Police and Fire/EMS Departments Step Program
- Comprehensive Plan and Parks Master Plan
- Fort Martin Scott
- Computer Software Maintenance for Development Services
- Municipal Court remodel
- Post-Oak Water and Sewer Impact Fee
- Sanitation and Recycling rate study
- Drainage Fund
- Fredericksburg Food and Winefest - revisit activities and charges for mass events.
- Marktplatz Revenue

E. Announcement of proposed date, time, and location of the FY2023 City Budget adoption – Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center- 1601 East Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, recommended the City Council hold an additional Workshop. He noted that the City Secretary would contact each of you to find the best date for the meeting. He also announced that the FY2023 City Budget adoption would occur on Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center- 1601 East Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

5. 2022 TAX RATES

A. Review the 2022 No-New-Revenue, Voter-Approval, and De Minimis Tax Rate Calculations.

Laura Hollenbeak, Finance Director, reviewed the different calculations and provided some scenarios.

B. Consider the proposed 2022 Tax Rate by recorded roll call vote.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kirchner, to approve the proposed 2022 Tax Rate at the Voter Approval Rate at .221641. On roll call vote the City Council the following:

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| Mayor Hoover | aye |
| Mayor Pro-Tem Watson | aye |
| Councilmember Kirchner | aye |
| Councilmember Klein | aye |
| Councilmember Joseph | aye |

The motion carried unanimously.

C. Review the Tax Rate adoption process and schedule.

Laura Hollenbeck, Finance Director, stated since the City Council did propose a Tax Rate greater than the No-New-Revenue then an additional Public Hearing is required.

D. Announcement of proposed date, time, and location of the 2022 Tax Rate adoption – Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center- 1601 East Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

Clinton Bailey, City Manager, announced that the 2022 Tax Rate adoption would occur on Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center- 1601 East Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

6. ADJOURN

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Joseph, to adjourn the Monday, August 22, 2022, City Council Special Meeting at 6:35 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.



Jeryl Hoover
Mayor



Shelley Goodwin, TRMC/CMC
City Secretary