

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

BE IT KNOWN that the City Council of the City of Lake Jackson met on Monday, June 6, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in Special Session and 6:30 p.m. in Regular Session at 25 Oak Drive, Lake Jackson, Texas, Lake Jackson City Hall with the following in attendance:

Gerald Roznovsky, Mayor
Rhonda Seth, Mayor Pro-Tem
Vinay Singhania, Councilmember
Matt Broaddus, Councilmember
Rhonda Seth, Councilmember
Chase Blanchard, Councilmember

Modesto Mundo, City Manager
Meagan Borth, Assistant City Manager
Sherri Russell, City Attorney
Sally Villarreal, City Secretary
Sal Aguirre, City Engineer
Robin Hyden, Parks, and Rec Director
James Bryson, Finance Director
Sabrina England, PW Director
Paul Kibodeaux, Police Chief
David Walton, Building Official
Milford John-Williams, Asst. to the CM
Lora-Marie Bernard, PIO

ABSENT:

Jon "J.B." Baker, Councilmember

SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA – 5:00 P.M.

INTERVIEW AND DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT OF APPLICANTS TO SERVE ON THE VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS

Council interviewed the following applicants:

Gabriel Moreno
Nicholle Wilson
Ashlee Bainbridge
William McNeill
Mike Walls

On motion by Councilmember Blanchard seconded by Councilmember Singhania with all present members voting "aye," the following board and commission appointments were approved:

Planning Commission reappointments: Harry Sargent, Jeffrey Gilbert, and Matthew Bjune

Traffic Commission reappointments: Michael Cloeter and Ravi Singhania

Traffic Commission new appointments: Jessica Rogers and Nicholle Wilson

Parks and Recreation reappointments: David Altizer

Parks and Recreation new appointments: Ashlee Bainbridge, William McNeil, and Gabriel Moreno

LJDC reappointments: Lisa Pauls and Pinky Hartline
LJDC new appointment: Mike Walls

Library Board reappointments: Ana Wessels, Kay Birdsong and Amber Winstanley

Zoning Board of Adjustments new appointments: Sandy Seely, Jessica Smith, and Mike Walls

Keep Lake Jackson Beautiful reappointments: Glen Jones, Amy Tasto, Cassandra Zamoralez, Shirley-Ann Miller, and Corrine Cammarata

APPOINT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SERVE AS COUNCIL LIAISONS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS

BOARD	COUNCIL LIAISON
Library	Vinay Singhania
Board of Health	Rhonda Seth
Museum Board	Mayor Roznovsky and Matt Broaddus
YAC	Matt Broaddus
ZBA	Jon Baker
Parks	Chase Blanchard
Traffic	Matt Broaddus
KLJB	Rhonda Seth
Planners	Vinay Singhania
DSDB	Mayor Roznovsky
Charter Review	Chase Blanchard – in 2023
EMS	Rhonda Seth
Animal Shelter	Mayor Roznovsky
HOT	Mayor Roznovsky
HGAC	Mayor Roznovsky and Matt Broaddus (To be approved by council)
LJDC	Mayor Roznovsky and Jon Baker

SPECIAL SESSION ADJOURNED AT 5:54 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Broaddus led the pledge of allegiance.

INVOCATION

Mayor Roznovsky led the invocation.

VISITORS COMMENTS

There were no visitor comments.

PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Fischer presented the Annual Brazosport Chamber Tourism Report.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes – May 2, 2022 & May 16, 2022
2. Approve KM&L LLC auditors for FY 2022 audit
3. Ordinance No. 2248 to amend Ch.110 Zoning to the Code of Ordinances to decrease setbacks for accessory structures on residential lots that back up to a park or drainage way – second reading
4. Ordinance No. 2249 to amend Ch. 110 Zoning to the Code of Ordinances to allow mobile food vendor courts as a permitted use in B-1 (Neighborhood Business), B-2 (Central Business) and C-1(Commercial) zones -second reading
5. Award Bid No. 22-04-005 for unleaded fuel, diesel and oil to Midtex Oil with an Unleaded Fuel and Diesel markup of 0.0116 for the Service Center and markup of 0.1100 to The Wilderness Golf Course, and oil priced per gallon.

On motion by Councilmember Seth seconded by Councilmember Singhania with all present members voting "aye," the consent agenda was approved as follows:

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2. Approve KM&L LLC auditors for FY 2022 audit - *approved*
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LAKE JACKSON ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY DESIGN UPDATE

Mr. Thorn was present to present this item. This design is at 50% completion.

Mr. Thorn went over a presentation outlining access, parking and animal holding areas.

The facility was designed to double up the dog pens and create expansion if needed. There is an area for cats and one for dogs. Both floors have office areas.

All public access is in the front of the building. The public will come in through the front of the building

Ms. Borth noted there will be an outdoor area for quarantining dogs. There is also a pen that could hold an animal as large as a horse. Mayor Roznovsky added that the county would take the larger animals such as horses.

The facility will have a clean fresh look and be strong enough to withstand severe weather conditions.

The front elevation will have green, white, and gray colors. Materials used will require little maintenance for cleaning.

There will be a separate price for an added canopy in the front of the building if desired.

Mr. Thorn went over the floor plans and the different rooms on each floor. He also showed sample pictures of proposed interior finishes.

The building is approximately 13,592 sq. ft. The first floor is 11,646 sq. ft and second floor is 1,946 sq. ft.

The completion date is expected between July 2023 and October 2023.

Councilmember Seth asked if the materials are being ordered now. Mr. Thorn stated they have a good understanding of what needs to be ordered and when. To lock in pricing and get things going, they sometimes pre-order materials to stay on schedule with construction. This may create the need to store material for a few months.

Mr. Mundo shared that the contract with the SPCA ends in February, but they are willing to go month to month after February based on the construction schedule.

Councilmember Seth asked if there is a backup plan for the materials if they are not available. Mr. Thorn stated the supplier for the roof and walls is approximately 6-8 weeks. He is very familiar with material availability as he is an architect and developer.

Ms. Borth noted that Mr. Thorn has been a pleasure to work with. She stated that Mr. Thorn is very budget conscious and is willing to make cuts if needed.

Mayor Roznovsky asked where the tightest cost is for materials. Mr. Thorn stated it would be the panels because they are steel panels and that can change. There will be a price hike for mechanicals in the next 20 days. Everything else as far concrete materials and rebar has leveled out. If numbers can be achieved for the furniture package, a deposit can be put down so they can hold it.

DISCUSS OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTNER WITH BUSINESS OR PROPERTY OWNERS FOR FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS

Councilmember Blanchard stated that this was discussed at the last council meeting, but he wanted the chance to discuss any other ideas.

Councilmember Seth stated she had the opportunity to talk to the business owners. She said the business owners walked away from the initial conversation feeling that the city and would do something if they chose to build an awning. Councilmember Seth believes there is something the city should be able to do for the business owners that want help. She said most business owners are confused on how the city is going to help them.

Councilmember Singhania noted the difference in the downtown area is the businesses own their property and the other property outside of it is owned by the city. The city has already used taxpayer money to take down the canopies. He has heard comments from others about using taxpayer money for a group of businesses.

Councilmember Seth disagreed. She felt the citizens of Lake Jackson would benefit from the business owners and drawing businesses to the downtown area.

Mr. Mundo stated when the project started, it was known the canopies would need to be taken down. There was not success in trying to maintain the canopies at the Shooters building and in front of

Smithhart's. These two had asbestos and needed to be taken down.

Mr. Broaddus asked for clarification on façade and canopy.

Mr. Mundo stated when Smithhart's canopy was taken down, Ms. Bruce was told it could not be saved. The city would take it down and fix up the roof, but they would be responsible for the cost of everything else.

It was anticipated the same thing would happen when getting to other parts of the project. The evaluation was similar to that of Smithhart's and would not be able to be saved. That cost figure was an estimate into the project scope of the \$9.9 million for downtown to remove the canopy and doing a basic façade improvement and coming back with hardiplank.

When storm Imelda hit, a portion of the canopy started to come down in front of Zumgasthaus. Staff met with the owner's son that night and were told they would be closing. Since it was already approved in the project scope, staff decided to remove the canopy and put something on the front to stop water penetration. If the project had not been in the scope, it would have been left and property owners would have been given a notice to remove the canopy and have to hire an engineer indicating it was safe.

As the project moved forward, staff started meeting with individual property owners and informed them of the initial plan to remove the canopy and coming back with hardiplank. Another option that was explored was to put up another awning that would be attached to city property. As this went further along, the property owners changed, with one owning the majority of the property. This owner was not interested in a common look that appeared as a shopping center. This is when the city stopped exploring that option. Because of costs, the work was stopped.

Mayor Roznovsky stated the city faced a challenge with engineering concerns of placing a large beam structure near the foundation and running the risk of damaging the structures.

Councilmember Seth said the people she has spoken to understand they are responsible for the canopy and do not think it is the city's responsibility to replace it. They felt the city mentioned they would help with something. Councilmember Seth stated this is an opportunity to help a limited number of people.

Mr. Mundo stated the city would not be able to use bond funds for the extent of the canopy. This would have to come from the CIP Fund or Covid Funds.

Ms. Russell stated that there is a stipulation in the constitution where the city cannot help a private business with money. The city or the public must benefit in some way. Will Lake Jackson receive a return on the project? Ms. Russell did not know how this would help the rest of the city.

Mayor Roznovsky stated when the pandemic started there was an opportunity for a grant process to help small businesses. The city did not have a source of funding to apply for the grant. A lot of cities were able to do so because Covid postponed projects that involved large sums of money that were not going to be started. They were able to shift funds over to help small businesses. The city does have an opportunity to help small businesses, but it would extend to businesses across the city. The grant program could utilize some of the money being received from the federal government tied to Covid.

Mr. Mundo stated the city could not use the grant for just businesses affected by the canopy.

Mayor Roznovsky talked about providing a grant program for small businesses to make improvements. The improvements would have guidelines and restrictions. It could be applied across the city for small businesses.

Mr. Mundo stated grant programs are usually for facades. This has a visual impact for everyone since everyone sees it.

Mayor Roznovsky stated Clute is the only city he has seen do something for a strip center through an economic development program to improve a shopping strip center.

There is an opportunity to do something, but council needs to figure out how to fund it.

Mr. Mundo noted that all businesses wanted to keep their individuality and do their own thing.

There was comment on commercial permit fees. Mr. Walton stated permit fees are based on the value of the project. Typically for a canopy valued at \$10,000 the fees would be approximately \$150 - \$175 plus an additional 50% for plan reviews. So, in total it would be roughly \$225 for permit fees that could be waived.

Mayor Roznovsky wanted to share that funds are there to use smart and wisely for the community. It is not found money.

Ms. Borth gave an example of a grant matching program. This program sets guidelines on who can apply for a grant based on how many employees a business has. This is the best way to identify a small business. An example: if a business owner chose to spend \$10,000, the city would split the cost, and each would pay \$5,000.

Councilmember Seth suggested implementing a set amount. Depending on how much someone decided to spend, it would dictate how much the city would provide. This would be easier to find funding.

Mr. Mundo also suggested setting a cap on how many businesses can be helped per year.

Councilmember Blanchard stated the businesses are going to do it anyway. He suggested council come up with a program to implement and if businesses want to take advantage of it, they can apply.

After discussing options and funds, council agreed to hold a future workshop to discuss this further. Ms. Borth will send dates for a workshop after the budget is passed.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 896 TO SET GUIDELINES FOR CANOPIES IN THE AREA OF DOWNTOWN WHERE THE CITY SIDEWALK ABUTS AND RUNS PARALLEL TO THE BUSINESS FAÇADES

Ms. Russell took the guidance from Council and worked up a resolution. The resolution is restricted to the area downtown to where it is needed.

Ms. Russell noted that there needs to be an agreement and anyone else will need to come before City Council.

Mr. Mundo read the caption and noted the following guidelines established for canopies that will encroach over city property in downtown Lake Jackson:

The canopies must:

- 1) Be rigidly attached to the storefront;
- 2) Not be attached to the sidewalk or any other public property;
- 3) Meet windstorm requirements;
- 4) Hang at least seven and one-half (7 ½) feet above the walkway; and
- 5) Not be installed until the property owner executes an encroachment and indemnity agreement with the city and until the property owner receives a permit.

Mr. Roye – 104 Poppy Street

Mr. Roye asked if everyone would need to come make a request.

Ms. Russell stated he would not have to come make a request as long as he met the canopy guidelines. His business falls into the part of the resolution that stated downtown Lake Jackson is defined as that area of the city bound by Circle Way, That Way, Oyster Creek Drive and Oak Drive.

Mr. Mundo informed Mr. Roye that he would have to sign an encroachment agreement with the city.

On motion by Councilmember Broaddus seconded by Councilmember Seth with all present members voting “aye,” Resolution No. 896 to set guidelines for canopies in downtown where the city sidewalk abuts and runs parallel to the business façades was approved.

APPROVE SENDING THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS TO LJDC FOR APPROVAL:

1.	Recreation Center Natatorium Dehumidification System	600,000
2.	Recreation Center Pump Room Repiping	70,000
3.	Recreation Center Leisure Pool Resurfacing (new item)	73,000
4.	Recreation Center Network Video Recorder (Surveillance)	15,500
5.	Recreation Center Exterior Paint & Parking Lot Restripe	75,000
6.	Civic Center Replace Banquet Chairs	90,000
7.	Civic Center New flooring Plaza	24,000
8.	Fountain Removal / Gazebo Installation	185,000
9.	Jasmine Hall Renovations	30,000
10.	Downtown Installation of Pavers in Median	50,000
11.	Golf Course Misc. Repairs	120,000
12.	Girls Youth Softball Fencing & Netting Replacement	35,000
13.	Suggs Baseball Complex Fencing	125,000
	TOTAL	1,492,500

Ms. Borth noted the only new item on this list is #3. This item has come to light and desperately needs resurfacing.

These projects are planned for 2022-2023.

Mr. Mundo stated the city issued debt of \$3.5 million for restrooms and playgrounds. The issuance is only 10 years. Everything else in parks and recreation is being completed as a cash project if possible.

Ms. Hyden went over the projects.

Councilmember Blanchard asked what the miscellaneous golf course repairs are.

Ms. Hyden replied that the repairs consist of lake aeration, roof repairs on the clubhouse, dehumidification, footbridge to hole #1, deck conversions for parties along with a few other repairs.

Councilmember Blanchard asked if there were projects in reserves that would benefit more people than spending the money at the golf course.

Ms. Hyden replied that there are more projects to fix other than the golf course. She mentioned Jasmine Hall as a possible project. Councilmember Blanchard felt spending the money at Jasmine Hall may reach more people than the golf course.

Mr. Mundo disagreed with not funding the golf course repairs. He felt the money would be better used at the golf course other than Jasmine Hall. He noted that the return for the rental income of Jasmine Hall is not greater than the investment at the golf course. He understood the possibility of looking at other projects, but Jasmine Hall is not a project he would recommend.

Councilmember Seth asked Ms. Hyden what projects serve the greater number of citizens. Ms. Hyden mentioned the girls' softball fencing, but that would be looking at a small number of people and there is not revenue that comes from that project. Ms. Hyden believed the golf course would be the better project to fund.

Mayor Roznovsky noted that not all citizens will use all the amenities. Of the assets owned by the City of Lake Jackson, the golf course is the number one facility that is known. The Wilderness Golf Course is high ranked and pays for itself.

On motion by councilmember Broaddus seconded by councilmember Singhania with all present members voting "aye," sending the listed projects to LJDC for approval was approved.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INSTALLING STOP OR YIELD SIGNS AT LARKSPUR AND DOGWOOD STREET

Ms. England stated this came to traffic from a concerned citizen who witnessed and was almost involved in an accident at this location. Ms. England noted that most of the intersections on Dogwood have Stop signs, but Larkspur does not. She also shared that the Traffic Commission recommended installing signs on Dogwood and Larkspur.

Mayor Roznovsky was surprised that this location did not have some sort of signage.

Councilmember Singhania noted that there are a lot of intersections in Lake Jackson that do not have signage. If this is being considered, council should consider making changes to other streets that need it as well.

A map was pulled up on google showing there were Yield signs on Larkspur.

Councilmember Broaddus asked if there was a central location where all signs were documented.

Ms. Russell stated there is not, but an ordinance can be made to list all the Stop signs and Yield signs. An ordinance would need to be approved by council for Yield Signs and Stop Signs.

Ms. Russell will bring back an ordinance to install Stop signs on Larkspur at the June 20, 2022 meeting.

DISCUSS TRAFFIC STUDY RESULTS CONDUCTED ON ANY WAY AND CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS REPORTED BY KIMLEY-HORN, INC.

Ms. England stated Kimley Horn completed a traffic study with traffic counts and a radar. The report indicated there was not an issue with speeding. They did recommend installing speed limit signs closer to That Way and Oyster Creek Drive, but not on the curve.

Mr. Mundo stated speed humps are not recommended on this street. They can be a hinderance to emergency vehicle response times.

Councilmember Blanchard asked what triggers an action item. Ms. England said there must be a certain percentage of five miles or above on speeding. The study did not trigger an action item.

Councilmember Blanchard stated he has been in this area, and it is insane. There is a substantial amount of speeding on this street. He realized that the city does not want to install speed humps all over, but there were speed humps installed on Walnut and a vehicle did not run into a house like it did on Any Way.

Mr. Mundo shared why the city hired Kimley Horn. It was for their professional recommendation. They recommended installing speed limit sign.

Councilmember Singhania stated there are not 30-mph signs on residential streets. He felt installing the signs on Any Way could help remind them that they are in a 30-mph zone. If this does not work, then other options should be explored. It only takes one car to cause a problem.

Mr. Mundo stated we could do another study at an expense and ask Kimley Horn what the recommendation would be to slow down speed if it were over the 85th percentile. This has not been discussed.

Councilmember Broaddus shared comments and discussion from the Traffic Commission on this item. Their perception is that there is a problem on this street.

Ms. England shared that the traffic study performed by the city agreed with the Kimley Horn traffic study.

Councilmember Blanchard explained that when people see police cars or a motorcycle police, they slow down so an accurate count with visible patrol is not likely.

Councilmember Singhania motioned to install speed limit signs as recommended, Councilmember Seth seconded the motion.

Mr. Dodson – 223 Any Way

Mr. Dodson lives near the middle where most of the speeding occurs. He witnessed the engineers while the study was taking place. They were set up on Staghorn where the speeding is not as bad where he lives. He did not think a speed limit sign would work; he preferred a small speed hump to get the attention of the drivers. Any Way is like a raceway. He did not agree with the speed study.

Councilmember Singhania amended his motion to install the speed limit signs as recommended and reevaluate with an in-house traffic study in three months, seconded by Councilmember Seth with all present members voting “aye,” motioned carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RECYCLING PROGRAM OPTIONS

Mr. Mundo mentioned that Councilmember Blanchard inquired about cost savings if recycling was stopped. He stated staff had not looked into that. The city was looking at how to save recycling. A large part of the study included a cost component of providing recycling and an addition if changes were made.

Mr. Mundo shared the following information:

The city collects 720 tons of recyclables at the curb, dumpster, and Customer Convenience Center (CCC). If recycling services were discontinued and material redirected to the landfill, staff estimates a potential annual savings of \$234,000 or \$1.60 per month. The \$1.60 monthly savings is the net cost of providing recycling service

Right now, the recycling rate is projected to be \$4.00 a month, if that is discontinued, you would take \$1.60 off and the \$2.40 gets added on to the trash bill.

There would not be any staff savings. Manpower cost would remain as we would still need to pick up material and take it to the landfill. Staff would recommend keeping one truck and create a sixth route and reorganize staff time. One truck would be eliminated from the fleet.

Staff discussed continuing collecting recyclables at the CCC but concluded that hauling costs to Houston and processing fees would still be sizable. Further study with New Gen Strategies assistance would be recommended if Council wishes to pursue this option.

Residential Sanitation Service	Customers	Current Monthly Rate	Maintain Recycling Proposed Monthly Rate	Discontinue Recycling Proposed Monthly Rate
Household / Apt Garbage	12,158	\$19	\$21	\$23.40
Household Recycling	8,450	\$3	\$4	\$0
Apartment Recycling	3,708	\$2	\$4	\$0

Recycling Service		If Discontinued - Annual Savings	Capital Savings
Vernor building Lease		60,000	
Hauling to Houston MRF		87,000	
Processing / Landfill		36,000	
5,000 sf Staging Facility Build			\$1,900,000
1Truck eliminated from fleet		51,000	
TOTAL	12,158	\$234,000 / \$1.60	

Councilmember Seth looked at future recommendations to build recycling facility. She noted that it is hard to staff the sanitation department now. Mr. Mundo stated the city would operate it with the current two staff members that run the mulch site. The materials would be picked up Thursday and Friday. The trucks are emptied on Friday. Mr. Mundo explained how the process would work before filling it into a 40-yard container. There would not be a lot of staff time working in the facility.

Mr. Mundo did not think the savings of \$1.60 would be enough to stop the service.

Councilmember Singhania mentioned that before the recycling program started, people would take their recyclables to the mulch site. There would not be a need for a station if people put their recyclables in a container or a hopper. Mr. Mundo stated it would save the cost of building the staging facility, but the cost would not be cut in operations. The city is filling up two 30-yard containers and taking them to Seabreeze where they are repackaged. If taking only two containers and stopping pick up of recycling at the doorstep and putting another container at the mulch site, the city would negate any savings in hauling. The hauling cost would be the same hauling from the site. It would save the \$1.9 million but the rate would not go away, it would be reconfigured.

Mr. Mundo stated his preference is to stop collecting recyclables at the mulch site because there is an option to pick it up at curb side. There is no guarantee that products taken to the facility are from residents.

Mayor Roznovsky shared that studies show when recycling is not collected at the curb side, it diminishes. People do not want to make the extra trip to a site to drop off. Mayor Roznovsky also noted that if the city collects recyclables at the curb in a blue bag, you can feel assured that it will go to a recycler and it will be recycled unless it is contaminated. If you go to Seabreeze you cannot guarantee all the material is recycled and not taken to the landfill.

Mr. Mundo stated an option would be to bid out recycling.

If going the private sector route, it would go to containers instead of bags. Councilmember Singhania noted it could be an issue for the elderly. He was not in favor of going to a third-party garbage collection service.

Councilmember Blanchard stated he would rather look at every option before spending \$1.9 million.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF A NEW COMPUTER AND STREAMING EQUIPMENT FROM SWAGIT USING PEG FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$49,000

Ms. Villarreal stated this is for the purchase of the new streaming equipment for council chambers. This does not include services other than the installation of the equipment.

On motion by Councilmember Seth seconded by Councilmember Blanchard with all present members voting "aye," the purchase of a new computer and streaming equipment from Swagit using PEG funds in an amount not to exceed \$49,000 was approved.

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GOMEZ FLOOR COVERING THROUGH BUYBOARD CONTRACT #642-21 FOR REPLACEMENT OF FLOORING IN THE RECREATION CENTER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000

Ms. Hyden stated it is a budgeted item through the ½ cent sales tax. Gomez Flooring is the same company that did the library flooring and did a very good job.

On motion by Councilmember Singhania seconded by councilmember Seth with all present members voting "aye," the City Manager was approved to execute a contract with Gomez Flooring Covering through BuyBoard contract #642-21 for replacement flooring in the Recreation Center in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH FUN ABOUNDS FOR NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT PECAN PARK THROUGH BUYBOARD CONTRACT #592-19 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$135,885

Ms. Hyden stated this is one of the first playground replacements bond funds. The equipment is old and needs to come down. This playground is for all children with all sorts of disabilities.

On motion by Councilmember Seth seconded by Councilmember Singhania with all present members voting "aye," the City Manager was authorized to execute a contract with Fun Abounds for new placement equipment at Pecan Park through BuyBoard contract #592-19 in an amount not to exceed \$135,885.

The canopy will be canvass. This park will be similar to the Key Club Park.

DISCUSS CIP (CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS)

Ms. Borth went over the major changes to the General Projects Fund from the last time it was presented. The two items that were added are the Vista Com system and a sign machine for traffic signs for the garage. The scanning permanent records was reduced from \$50,000 to \$25,000 and the reducing \$20,000 from the Fire Station #1 Repair Project.

Ms. Borth recommended discussing the General Fund at the next meeting

Ms. Borth touched on the Utility Projects Fund and noted there have been no changes.

Mayor Roznovsky asked if there was a feel for lateral line repairs. Ms. Borth stated the money is almost fully spent at this time. There have been a couple of houses that have taken advantage of the program.

Councilmember Singhania asked about the Hersey meters.

Mr. Mundo stated the goal is to change out 10% of meters per year. It is budgeted in two locations, in operations and supplemental. The end goal is for this not to be a capital costs.

Mr. Herrera stated the meters are coming harder and harder to come by and the price is increasing.

Councilmember Blanchard asked about the rehabbing of water towers. Sabrina stated it is done as a pm. The inspector inspects the towers and recommends when and what needs to be done.

UPDATE ON NEW BUSINESS COMING TO THE CITY

Mr. Walton gave the update:

- Arlan's – final inspections complete on white box and ready to be turned over to a tenant
- Julia's Donuts is under construction
- Harbor Freight is under construction
- Regal storage expansion application received
- Framing continues at the Villa Apartments to ask for revised timeframe.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

- Debris – Ms. England gave this update. Old landfill is completely cleared. Just a little cleanup is left.
- There are no major concerns indicating the project will not be finished in time. There have been a few rain delays but should not need an extension.

- Mr. Mundo said the storm cost \$550,141 last year and this year \$813,455. Total is almost \$1.4 million.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTUPDATES

Mr. Herrera updated council on construction projects.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

These minutes read and approved this 20th day of June 2022.

Gerald Roznovsky, Mayor

Sally Villarreal, City Secretary