



CITY OF SUGAR LAND

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Sugar Land City Hall
2700 Town Center Boulevard North
Sugar Land, Texas 77479

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

5:30 PM

City Council Chamber

I. ATTENTION

- A.** *Members of the City Council, Board and/or Commission may participate in deliberations of posted agenda items through videoconferencing means. A quorum of the City Council, Board and/or Commission will be physically present at the above-stated location, and said location is open to the public. Audio/Video of open deliberations will be available for the public to hear/view, and are recorded as per the Texas Open Meetings Act.*

The meeting will live stream at <https://www.sugarlandtx.gov/1238/SLTV-16-Live-Video> or <https://www.youtube.com/user/SugarLandTXgov/live>. Sugar Land Comcast Cable Subscribers can also tune-in on Channel 16.

QUORUM PRESENT

All members were present.

INVOCATION

Council Member Carol McCutcheon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Council Member Carol McCutcheon

RECOGNITION

**FORMER MAYOR WILLIAM A. LITTLE
YEARS OF SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Joe Zimmerman, Mayor

**ARBOR DAY
NOVEMBER 5, 2021**

Henry Vavrecka, Right of Way Services Manager

II. PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Option 1:** Members of the public desiring to submit written comments to be read during the Public Comment or Public Hearing portions of the meeting, will be allowed to submit their comments to the Office of the City Secretary (citysec@sugarlandtx.gov). Written/e-mailed comments must be received by 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

Option 2: Members of the public desiring to participate virtually during the set/posted time of the Public Comment or Public Hearing must e-mail (citysec@sugarlandtx.gov) or call ((281) 275-2730) the Office of the City Secretary by 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Once properly registered, the Office of the City Secretary will provide instructions for direct participation during the Public Hearing.

Option 3: Members of the public desiring to address the City Council, Board and/or Commission in person with regard to matters on the agenda must complete a "Request to Speak" form and give it to the City Secretary, or designee, prior to the beginning of the meeting.

Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes, and speakers requiring a translator will have six minutes, regardless of the number of agenda items to be addressed. Comments or discussion by the City Council, Board, and/or Commission Members, will only be made at the time the subject is scheduled for consideration.

Disclaimer: *The City of Sugar Land reserves the right to remove any written/mailed comments deemed inappropriate or not adhering to the public comment rules outlined in this notice. The City reserves the right to not read any comments containing -*

- *Links to for-profit sites*
- *Advertising*
- *Promotion of illegal activities*
- *Sexual oriented/explicit comments and sites*
- *Information promoting discrimination/harassment*
- *Political/religious rhetoric, advocacy, or commentary*

For questions or assistance, please contact the Office of the City Secretary (281) 275-2730.

No member of the public addressed the Council.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. **SECOND CONSIDERATION:** Consideration of and action on **CITY OF SUGAR LAND ORDINANCE NO. 2248:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 8 OF THE SUGAR LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REGARDING FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION REGULATIONS BY AMENDING SECTIONS 8-3, 8-5, 8-13, 8-21, 8-27, 8-28, AND 8-30; ADDING SECTION 8-41, REPETITIVE LOSS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jorge Alba, Senior Engineering Manager

- B. Consideration of and action on **CITY OF SUGAR LAND RESOLUTION NO. 21-27:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE ALLOCATION METHOD FOR OPIOID SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS AS SET FORTH IN THE STATE OF TEXAS AND TEXAS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS' OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND COUNCIL AND SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION TERM SHEET AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE RELATED SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION FORMS.

Meredith Riede, City Attorney

- C. Consideration of and action on **CITY OF SUGAR LAND RESOLUTION NO. 21-31:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS), FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA), FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUILDING RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (BRIC) PROGRAM, AND DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, AS AUTHORIZED GRANT OFFICIAL TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, REJECT, ALTER, OR TERMINATE THE GRANT AND TO EXECUTE ALL GRANT DOCUMENTS.

Gabe Lavine, Emergency Management Coordinator

- D. Consideration of and action on acceptance of a Donation in the amount of \$16,000.00, from the Sugar Land Legacy Foundation; and authorization of a Budget Amendment, in the amount of \$16,000.00, to revenues and expenditures, for Sugar Land Memorial Park Eagle Plaza Phase II.

William Hajdik, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation

Item III-D was pulled and considered before the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Joe Zimmerman recognized Colonel R.P.S. Bhalla and his wife Kanwal; Former Mayor Jimmy Thompson; Brooke Thompson and Nancy Thompson, in memory of Robert C. Brown; Amy and Gary Becker; John Null; and Executive Team Members Jennifer May, Rob Valenzuela, and one anonymous donor, for their donations towards Sugar Land Memorial Park Eagle Plaza Phase I and II.

A motion to **Approve**, Item III-D, a Donation in the amount of \$16,000.00 from the Sugar Land Legacy Foundation; and authorization of a Budget Amendment, in the amount of \$16,000.00, to revenues and expenditures, for Sugar Land Memorial Park Eagle Plaza Phase II, was made by Joe Zimmerman and seconded by Carol McCutcheon, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Ferguson, Jacobson, Kermally, Lane, McCutcheon, Whatley, Zimmerman

- E. Consideration of and action on authorization of a Contract with Xerox Business Solutions Southwest, in the amount of \$73,119.96 through Harris County Department of Education Choice Partners Contract No. 21/031KN-70, for the lease, maintenance, and service of copy machines. This contract will automatically renew for three (3) additional one-year terms for a total contract amount of \$292,479.84.

Keisha Seals, Assistant Director of Environmental and Neighborhood Services

- F. Consideration of and action on authorization of Year Three of a Contract with CSP Utilities L.L.C. dba Cornerstone Plumbing, in the amount of \$105,000.00, for storm sewer inspection services.

Matthew Douglas, Operations Manager Public Works

- G. Consideration of and action on the appointment of Shelly Pappas, Member, for an unexpired term ending September 30, 2022 to the Animal Advisory Board.

Joe Zimmerman, Mayor

- H. Consideration of and action on the minutes of the July 30, 2021 and July 31, 2021 Retreat and October 19, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Thomas Harris III, City Secretary

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and enacted by one motion. Item III-D was pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

A motion to **Approve**, Items III-A through III-C and Items III-E through III-H, Consent Agenda, was made by Naushad Kermally and seconded by Suzanne

Whatley, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Ferguson, Jacobson, Kermally, Lane, McCutcheon, Whatley, Zimmerman

IV. DONATIONS

- A.** Consideration of and action on authorization of a Capital Donation Agreement between the City of Sugar Land and Mercedes Benz Sugar Land for the donation of one (1) 1927 Ford Model "A" antique truck.

Doug Boeker, Fire - EMS Chief

Doug Boeker, Fire-EMS Chief and Greg Hopper, Fire Lieutenant, gave a presentation, comments, and answered questions from the Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item IV-A, a Capital Donation Agreement between the City of Sugar Land and Mercedes Benz Sugar Land for the donation of one (1) 1927 Ford Model "A" antique truck, was made by Suzanne Whatley and seconded by Jennifer Lane, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Ferguson, Jacobson, Kermally, Lane, McCutcheon, Whatley, Zimmerman

V. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A.** Consideration of and action on **CITY OF SUGAR LAND RESOLUTION NO. 21-30**: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, EXPRESSING INTENT TO FINANCE EXPENDITURES TO BE INCURRED.

Jennifer Brown, Director of Finance

Jennifer Brown, Director of Finance, gave a presentation, comments, and answered questions from the Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item V-A, City of Sugar Land Resolution No. 21-30 expressing intent to finance expenditures to be incurred, was made by Carol McCutcheon and seconded by Naushad Kermally, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Ferguson, Jacobson, Kermally, Lane, McCutcheon, Whatley, Zimmerman

- B.** Consideration of and action on **CITY OF SUGAR LAND RESOLUTION NO. 21-32**: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, APPROVING A RESOLUTION OF THE SUGAR LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE SUGAR LAND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SALES TAX REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021.

Jennifer Brown, Director of Finance

Jennifer Brown, Director of Finance, gave a presentation, comments, and answered questions from the Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item V-B, City of Sugar Land Resolution No. 21-32 approving a resolution of the Sugar Land Development Corporation authorizing the issuance of the Sugar Land Development Corporation Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021, was made by Stewart Jacobson and seconded by Naushad Kermally, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Ferguson, Jacobson, Kermally, Lane, McCutcheon, Whatley, Zimmerman

VI. CITY COUNCIL CITY MANAGER REPORTS

A. City Council Member Reports

- Community Events Attended or Scheduled

Mayor Zimmerman and Council Members gave comments and reported on events and activities attended.

B. City Manager Report

- Community Events Attended or Scheduled
- Other Governmental Meetings Attended or Scheduled
- Council Meeting Schedule

Jennifer May, Deputy City Manager, gave comments and reported on events and activities attended.

RECESS: Mayor Zimmerman recessed the meeting into Closed Executive Session at 6:29 p.m.

VII. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A.** Closed Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code in accordance with:

Section 551.074 Personnel Matters:

For the purpose of discussion with respect to the City Manager annual performance evaluation.

Joe Zimmerman, Mayor

RECONVENE: Mayor Zimmerman reconvened the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Zimmerman

adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Thomas Harris III, City Secretary

