

### Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman For the City of Valley View, Texas 09/08/2022

- 1. Call meeting to order Mayor Chalk called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Alderman Sandmann was absent.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation Alderman Wilkerson gave the Invocation.

### 3. Mayor Comments

### Mayor Chalk thanked those in attendance.

### 4. Public Comments

This is the opportunity for the public to address the Board on any matter on the agenda, except public hearings. Comments related to public hearings will be heard when the specific hearing begins. Comments related to non-public hearing items will only be heard at this time. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, unless otherwise required by law. To address the Board, please sign in prior to the start of the Board Meeting. The Board is not permitted to take action on or discuss any item not listed on the agenda. The Board may only: (1) make a statement of fact regarding the item; (2) make a statement concerning the policy regarding the item; or (3) propose the item be placed on a future agenda. (Tex. Govt Code § 551.042.) Comments should be respectful with no personal attacks. To preserve the order and decorum of the meeting of the Board, any person who makes profane, slanderous, or threatening remarks or who becomes disruptive during the meeting will be asked to leave. (Texas Penal Code §§ 38.13, 42.05).

Lynn Morgan, City Secretary, advised the Board that Mayor Pro Tem Holder had turned in his resignation and that discussion of his seat will be at the next meeting.

### 5. CONSENT ITEMS

Mrs. Morgan advised that the bulk of the reimbursements from GTUA had been made, but that two were currently outstanding.

## Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0

- 6. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding the 2022-2023 Annual Operating Budget.
  - a. Presentation of Request.

Mrs. Morgan explained this is the Budget that the Board had been looking at for the past several months. She explained that Vertical Bridge numbers are still not in it, pending the outcome of negotiations.

b. PUBLIC HEARING to receive comments regarding the request.

Opened Public Hearing at 6:04pm

Closed Public Hearing at 6:05pm

**7.** Discuss and consider Ordinance 09082022-02 adopting the 2022-2023 Annual Operating Budget, possible action by record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve Ordinance 09082022-02 adopting the 2022-2023 Annual Operating Budget. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken:

Alderman Wilkerson: For Alderman Scoggin: For Alderman Griffith: For Alderman Sandmann: Absent

#### Motion passed 3-0.

**8.** Discussion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2023 fiscal year budget, compared to the previous year, as required by Sec. 102.007(c) of the Local Government Code, and possible action by record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2023 fiscal year budget, compared to the previous year, as required by Sec. 102.007(c) of the Local Government Code, and possible action by record vote. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken:

Alderman Wilkerson: For Alderman Scoggin: For Alderman Griffith: For Alderman Sandmann: Absent

Motion passed 3-0.

**9.** Discuss and consider Ordinance 09082022-03 adopting the 2022 Tax Rate, possible action by record vote.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve Ordinance 09082022-03 adopting the 2022 Tax Rate. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken:

Alderman Wilkerson: For Alderman Scoggin: For Alderman Griffith: For Alderman Sandmann: Absent

#### Motion passed 3-0.

**10.** Discuss and consider request from Valley View Chamber of Commerce for Hotel Occupancy Tax disbursement for Walk Walk advertising, possible action.

Laura McMullen, Valley View Chamber of Commerce, stated that last year the Chamber had requested a percentage of the Hotel Motel Tax, but this year would like to request a specific amount. She stated that they have quotes for 2 billboards and social media ads totaling \$3,400. Ms. McMullen said that

about 20% of the ticket goal were sold, but the last 10-14 days usually makes up 50% of the total sales. She said there are already tickets sales from Houston to Lexington, Oklahoma.

Chief Smith asked when the event is. Ms. McMullen stated it's October 15 from 4:00-8:00 with the dueling pianos after.

Mrs. Morgan advised to check with Arrington Outdoors for digital billboards, as that is who she has used in the past and the pricing is fair.

Alderman Scoggin stated the Board had already earmarked the Hotel Occupancy Tax funds for the remodel of the senior center.

Mrs. Morgan suggested the Board use the excess from the Events budget line item and directly pay for advertising for this event, including the City logo on them all.

# Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$3,400 for advertising from the Events budget line item. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

11. Discuss and consider Resolution 009082022-01 adopting an Employee Handbook, possible action.

Alderman Wilkerson stated there were a few typos, but thinks it has all that's been discussed.

Mrs. Morgan stated she was glad to see this, as it's been needed a long time. She said the goal is to give all employees a digital copy.

# Alderman Griffith made a motion to approve Resolution 009082022-01 adopting an Employee Handbook. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

**12.** Discuss and consider Ordinance 09082022-01 adopting a local amendment to the 2015 International Building Code adopted via Ordinance 10132016 to remove the election of option B on infill lots, possible action.

Mrs. Morgan stated this was the Ordinance previously discussed, regarding not requiring engineered foundations on infill lots.

Alderman Scoggin made a motion to approve Ordinance 09082022-01 adopting a local amendment to the 2015 International Building Code adopted via Ordinance 10132016 to remove the election of option B on infill lots. Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

**13.** EXECUTIVE SESSION: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Board of Aldermen will recess into Executive Session to discuss the following:

a. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney: For the Board to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or a 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 clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act: City authority to rename public buildings

b. §551.071: Consultation with attorney to seek advice 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 clearly conflicts with chapter 551, re: Roles and Responsibilities of Public Officials in a General Law Type A City.

551.074 personnel - Police Department, Chief 551.074 personnel- Police Department, SRO

Entered into Executive Session at 6:44pm

**Reconvened into Open Session at 7:04pm** 

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to accept Cory Smith's request for reassignment to the School Resource Officer beginning 09/22/2022. Alderman Scoggin seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Alderman Wilkerson made a motion to appoint Scott Otto as Chief of Police beginning 09/22/2022, pending his background check, with a \$2,600 sign on bonus to be paid monthly over the first year.

14. Adjourn.

Alderman Scoggin made a motion to adjourn at 7:06pm and Alderman Wilkerson seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Minutes of the Board of Aldermen were approved this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.