

City Council Regular Meeting
May 16, 2022

A City Council regular meeting was held on the above date at Cameron City Hall, McLane Municipal Center, 100 South Houston Avenue, 3rd Floor, Cameron, Texas with all officers and members present.

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Council Member Goza offered the invocation.

Council Member Sims led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Harris asked for citizen's comments.

There were no citizen's comments.

Mayor Harris presented a certificate of appreciation to Council Member Sims for her years of service as Council Member Ward 4. Mrs. Sims exited the Dias for the remainder of the meeting.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the following resolution. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-05-16-006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CAMERON CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, TEXAS, HELD ON THE SEVENTH OF MAY 2022

WHEREAS, at the regular meeting of the City Council of Cameron, Texas, held on the 16th day of May 2022, there came to be considered the returns of the annual General Election of officers of the City of Cameron, Texas, heretofore held on the 7th day of May 2022, and ;

WHEREAS, it appears to the satisfaction of the City Council that said election was in all respects duly and legally held, and said returns hereof duly legally made to said City Council, and there were cast 540 valid and legal ballots, and that each of the candidates in said election received the following votes:

CANDIDATE	ABSENTEE VOTES	EARLY VOTES	ELECTION DAY VOTES	TOTAL VOTES
Mayor				
William Harris	41	290	143	474
Council Member Ward 2				
Nathan Fuchs	12	151	56	219
Council Member Ward 4				
Jimmy Pratt	1	22	11	34
Lekethia "KeKe" Sims	6	11	4	21

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the said William Harris is hereby declared to be the duly elected Mayor of the City of Cameron, Texas, that the said Nathan Fuchs is hereby declared to be the duly elected Council Member, Ward #2 of the City of Cameron, Texas and that the said Jimmy Pratt is hereby declared to be the duly elected Council Member, Ward #4 of the City of Cameron, Texas, all to fill their terms of their respective office until May 2024.

City Secretary Amy Harris administered the Oath of Office to the following officers: William Harris, Mayor; Nathan Fuchs, Council Member Ward 2 and Jimmy Pratt, Council Member Ward 4.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2022 regular meeting. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Lekethia Sims presented a request to hold a Juneteenth parade and celebration on June 18, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mrs. Sims presented the parade route along with details of the celebration at 12th Street Park.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the request as presented. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Cameron Chamber Director Melanie Reed requested street closure for Art Walk in downtown on June 11, 2022.

Council Member Goza moved to approve the request. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs nominated Jason Green for the Planning and Zoning Commission unexpired term vacated by Isaiah Logan. Council Member Hardeman nominated Lekethia Sims to serve the same position. Council Member Fuchs rescinded his nomination.

Council Member Deal moved to appoint Lekethia Sims to serve as Planning and Zoning Commissioner until term expires. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Preliminary flood plain maps were presented by Freese & Nichols regarding the Little River Watershed Study. No action was taken.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the following ordinance on its second and final reading. Council Member Fuchs seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FEES AND CHARGES FOR SWIMMING POOL ENTRY AND SWIMMING PARTY FEES; AMENDING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, OPEN MEETINGS AND EFFECTIVE DATE CLAUSES

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron's must account for increased prices for chemicals for water treatment; and

WHEREAS, wages for pool employees are needing to be adjusted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CAMERON THAT:

Section 1. Fees. The fee schedule shown in Exhibit “A” are hereby adopted and incorporated herein as thoughtfully transcribed herein as fees of the City.

Section 2. Penalties. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. Each day of violation and each incident of violation of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 3. Amendment of Code. That the Code of Ordinances of the City be amended by adding a Chapter entitled “Administrative Fees” which Chapter shall contain the provisions set forth in the foregoing Sections 1, 2 and 3.

Section 4. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, and sections of the City Code of Ordinances, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of any provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications hereof which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in the manner set forth with the provisions of the Local Gov’t Code.

Section 7. Open Meetings. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that the public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapt. 551, Loc. Gov’t Code.

Swimming Pool	
Admission	5.00
Rental city residents	150.00
Rental non-city residents	200.00
Family Passes	
Up to 5 immediate family members of same household	125.00
Each additional member of same household over 5 members	\$10.00/member

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the expenditures for April 30, 2022 through May 13, 2022. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hardeman opposing.

The following expenditures exceeded \$25,000:

- Palasota Contracting LLC \$55,151.31
- Waste Connection \$38,494.45
- TMRS \$31,752.98

Council Member Deal moved to approve the March 2022 Financial Report. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hardeman opposing.

MARCH 2022 REVIEW

50.00%

General Revenues	\$2,730,991.92	58.93	HOT Revenues	\$154,594.15
EXPENSES			HOT Expenses	\$24,834.06
Street Dept	\$426,660.08	40.23		\$129,760.0
Code Enf	\$49,343.84	38.59	HOT Profit	9
Fire Dept	\$167,036.37	49.54	LIB Revenues	\$29,920.21
Police Dept.	\$637,849.17	51.32	LIB Expenses	\$4,149.75
Court	\$30,553.28	45.29	LIB Profit	\$25,770.46
Library	\$44,654.50	45.62	Fire Revenues	\$85,332.88
Other Operating Exp	\$309,386.21	54.45	Fire Expenses	\$17,650.10
Cemetery & Parks	\$52,372.51	35.9	Fire Profit	\$67,682.78
Administration	\$199,112.20	56.08		
Swimming Pool	\$5,496.36	12.32	TWDB-DWSRF-LF1000534	
Debt Service	\$486,587.61	94.52	DWSRF Rev	\$30,504.42
Animal Control	\$26,829.81	37.49	DWSRF Exp	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$2,435,881.94	52.56	Project Balance	\$30,504.42
GF Fund Profit/Loss	\$295,109.98			
Water & Sewer Revenues	\$1,479,420.87	43.74	TWDB-DWSRF-L1000517	
EXPENSES			DWSRF Rev	\$2,326.20
Water Maintenance	\$473,840.98	62.22	DWSRF Exp	\$0.00
Water Treatment	\$213,473.60	49.99	Project Balance	\$2,326.20
Sewer Treatment	\$107,633.22	38.57		
W & S Administration	\$342,780.04	35.86	TWDB-CWSRF-L1000516	

Bond Retirement	\$885,722.50	92.37
Total Expenses	\$2,023,450.34	59.82

Water & Sewer Profit/Loss	-\$544,029.47	
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Airport Revenues	\$44,467.74	67.89
Airport Expenses	\$27,845.12	49.11
Airport Profit/Loss	\$16,622.62	

2018 CDBG #7217049

CDBG Revenues	\$1,500.00
CDBG Expenses	\$0.00
Project Balance	\$1,500.00

PD Revenues	\$17,396.59
PD Expenses	\$2,666.04
PD Profit	\$14,730.55

CWSRF Rev	\$440,865.26
CWSRF Exp	\$438,704.75
Project Balance	\$2,160.51

TWDB-CWSRF-LF1000523	
CWSRF Rev	
CWSRF Exp	
Project Balance	\$0.00

CDBG #7219061	
CDBG Revenues	\$120,907.53
CDBG Expenses	\$108,534.00
Project Balance	\$12,373.53

The City Council entered into executive session at 6:08 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Pursuant to §551.074 to Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee – City Manager Position

The City Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:20 p.m.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the mayor to enter into contract negotiations with candidate discussed in executive session. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hardeman opposing.

There being no other business to consider, Council Member Deal moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Council Member Fuchs seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.