

City Council Regular Meeting
January 16, 2024

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 except Council Member Deal.

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

Mayor Harris offered the invocation.

Council Member Cryer led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Harris asked for citizen's comments.

There were no citizens comments.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the January 16, 2024 special meeting minutes. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Harris opened a public hearing held for the purpose of receiving public comments on short-form subdivision of the Cameron Business Park Subdivision, Second Revision.

Cameron Economic Development Director Ginger Watkins presented the plat showing the new lot lines so that the lot with the cell tower can be sold.

Betty Wadlington brought up concerns about drainage issues. According to Mrs. Wadlington, water is being drained to her property with development.

Mayor Harris explained that this subdivision is only changing lot lines to complete the sale of property. No drainage changes are planned with this plat.

Mayor Harris closed the public hearing at 5:37 p.m.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the Cameron Business Park Subdivision, Second Revision as presented. Council Member Dominguez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Andy Layne, represented Cameron Horseshoe Club, requested permission to use the horseshoe pits for the following tournaments this year: April 13; May 25 and September 25, 2024.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the request to use the horseshoe pits. Council Member Pratt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Police Chief Lonnie Gosch presented the annual racial profiling report submitted to the State.

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

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the following resolution. Council Member Dominguez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02-05-010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CITIES SERVED BY ONCOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF SIX CENTS PER CAPITA TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE TO FUND REGULATORY AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC.

- WHEREAS, the City of Cameron is a regulatory authority under the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) and has exclusive original jurisdiction over the rates and services of Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC (Oncor) within the municipal boundaries of the city; and
- WHEREAS, the Steering Committee of Cities Served By Oncor (Steering Committee) has historically intervened in Oncor rate proceedings and electric utility related rulemakings to protect the interests of municipalities and electric customers residing within municipal boundaries; and
- WHEREAS, the Steering Committee is participating in Public Utility Commission dockets and projects, as well as court proceedings, and legislative activity, affecting transmission and distribution utility rates; and
- WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Steering Committee; and
- WHEREAS, the Steering Committee functions under the direction of an Executive Committee which sets an annual budget and directs interventions before state and federal agencies, courts and legislatures, subject to the right of any member to request and cause its party status to be withdrawn from such activities; and
- WHEREAS, the Steering Committee at its December 2023 meeting set a budget for 2024 that compels an assessment of ten cents (\$0.10) per capita; and
- WHEREAS, in order for the Steering Committee to continue its participation in these activities which affects the provision of electric utility service and the rates to be charged, it must assess its members for such costs.

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

I.

That the City is authorized to continue its membership with the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor to protect the interests of the City of Cameron and protect the interests of the customers of Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC residing and conducting business within the City limits.

II.

The City is further authorized to pay its assessment to the Steering Committee of ten cents (\$0.10) per capita based on the population figures for the City shown in the latest TML Directory of City Officials.

III.

A copy of this Resolution and the assessment payment check made payable to "*Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor*" shall be sent to Brandi Stigler, Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor, c/o City Attorney's Office, Mail Stop 63-0300, 101 S. Mesquite St., Suite 300, Arlington, Texas 76010.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the expenditures for January 13, 2024 through February 2, 2024. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There following expenditures exceeded \$25,000.00:

- The Bank of New York \$188,362.50
- CEDC \$ 36,400.29

The City Council entered into executive session at 5:45 p.m. for the following reasons:

- Pursuant to §551.071 to consult with attorney regarding legal advice regarding claims against Roan Commercial Group, LLC and The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company regarding the Wallace/Hoover Street wastewater improvement project
- Pursuant to §551.071 to consult with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; a settlement offers; or a matter under which the duty of the attorney to the City Council conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; to wit; wholesale water supply contract with Salem0Elm Ridge Water Supply Corporation

The City Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:10 p.m.

Council Member Fuchs moved authorize the city attorney and city manager to undergo all necessary legal action, including litigation, regarding roan commercial group and Ohio casualty insurance company for damages occurred in the Wallace/Hoover street wastewater improvement project. Council Member Pratt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

No action was taken regarding professional services of an engineering firm to conduct testing on potential defects in the work of the Wallace/Hoover street wastewater improvement project by Roan Commercial or its subcontractors.

No action was taken regarding the wholesale water supply contract with Salem-Elm Ridge water supply corporation.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the December 2023 Financial Report. Council Member Dominguez seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DECEMBER 2023 REVIEW

25.00%

General Revenues	\$1,725,050.42	34.1	HOT Revenues	\$173,256.30
EXPENSES			HOT Expenses	\$10,439.30
Street Dept	\$261,913.36	23.88	HOT Profit	\$162,817.00
Code Enf	\$13,076.42	9.2		
Fire Dept	\$156,391.43	43.92	LIB Revenues	\$17,783.46
Police Dept.	\$349,222.56	24.27	LIB Expenses	\$554.75
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Court	\$17,122.65	21.16	Profit	\$17,228.71
Library	\$24,298.08	22.19		
Other Operating Exp	\$185,447.99	29.47	Fire Revenues	\$87,625.68
Cemetery & Parks	\$31,025.23	23.58	Fire Expenses	\$2,945.35
Administration	\$92,809.53	20.86	Fire Profit	\$84,680.33
Swimming Pool	\$6,735.36	18.66		
Debt Service	\$362,780.18	70.1		
Animal Control	\$19,590.56	25.98	TWDB-DWSRF-LF1000534	
Total Expenses	\$1,520,413.35	30.05	DWSRF Rev	\$30,504.42

GF Fund Profit/Loss	\$204,637.07	
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Water & Sewer		
Revenues	\$847,594.83	25.11
EXPENSES		
Water Maintenance	\$256,956.23	30.96
Water Treatment	\$126,087.32	29.42
Sewer Treatment	\$89,510.12	27.01
W & S Administration	\$199,663.92	22.73
Bond Retirement	\$509,384.02	56.17
Total Expenses	\$1,181,601.61	35.01

Water & Sewer Profit/Loss	-\$334,006.78	
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Airport Revenues	\$97,721.68	50.11
Airport Expenses	\$37,127.15	28.46
Airport Profit/Loss	\$60,594.53	

2018 CDBG #7217049		
CDBG Revenues	\$1,500.00	
CDBG Expenses	\$0.00	
Project Balance	\$1,500.00	

PD Revenues	\$26,558.84	
PD Expenses	\$5,064.56	
PD Profit	\$21,494.28	

DWSRF Exp	\$0.00
Project Balance	\$30,504.42

TWDB-DWSRF-L1000517	
DWSRF Rev	\$2,626.20
DWSRF Exp	
Project Balance	\$2,626.20

TWDB-CWSRF-L1000516	
CWSRF Rev	\$2,160.51
CWSRF Exp	
Project Balance	\$2,160.51

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

CDBG #7219061	
CDBG Revenues	\$11,873.53
CDBG Expenses	\$0.00
Project Balance	\$11,873.53

There being no other business to consider, Council Member Fuchs moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.