

## REGULAR MEETING – June 27, 2017

The members of City Council convened for a Regular Meeting of the City of Bayou Vista City Council on Tuesday, June 27, 2017, at 6:30 p.m., at the Community Center, - 783C Marlin, corner of Neptune and Marlin, Bayou Vista, Texas, concerning the following items:

### A quorum of the City Council was present and included the following:

Mayor:	Daniel Konyha	Present
Position 1:	Bob Althaus	Present
Position 2:	Tami Inman	Present
Position 3:	Carlos Price	Absent with notice
Position 4:	Louis Wortham	Present
Position 5:	James L. Cook, III	Present

Legal Counsel was present.

#### 1. **Call Meeting To Order**

Mayor Daniel Konyha called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### 3. **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken as reflected above.

#### 4. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Konyha.

#### 5. **Pledge to the Texas Flag**

The Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Mayor Konyha.

#### 6. **Citizen's Comments on Agenda Items Only**

Citizen stated there is a lot to discuss concerning 9G before taking action.

It was also said there had been some street side code violations reported and they would like to see that they are being handled first before canal side violations.

#### 7. **CONSENT AGENDA: All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted in one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests.**

- A. **Approval of the Minutes of:**
- **Regular Meeting of May 30, 2017.**

A motion was made by Alderman Lou Wortham to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 30, 2017, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Tami Inman.

Motion carried all in favor.

#### 8. **SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. **City Departmental Reports**
- **Police Department activity report for the month of May 2017.**
  - **Municipal Court activity report for the month of May 2017.**
  - **Building Permit activity report for the month of May 2017.**
  - **Code Enforcement activity report will be presented at Council Meeting.**

Capitan Contenta gave a verbal report of Code Enforcement – he stated the Code Enforcement Officer is responding to complaints and making contact with violators he sees. Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook along with the Chief and Code Enforcement Officer will be creating a Code Enforcement Report to be utilized for monthly presentation to Council.

Mayor Konyha stated this is being done due to privacy issues in the report used prior.

The City Council reviewed the reports as presented.

**B. Discuss and accept the Financial Statement ending May 2017, prepared by Whitley-Penn.**

Council reviewed the Financials as presented.

**C. Special Reports by Aldermen – if any.**

**Alderman Inman will give report in regard to the update on the Flood Maps.**

Alderman Tami Inman reported on the Flood Maps, the committee has reviewed the maps and made revisions to the lines to follow either the roads or canals for easier definition of the flood zones. There is a 6 month window for notifications and engineers to review the reasoning of the storm surge, so it looks as though the new flood maps will not go into affect for at least 6 months.

Alderman Inman has sent a letter to Representative Randy Weber and Senator Ted Cruz concerning the NFIP renewal and ensuring the removal of “grandfathering” is not a consideration for the renewal of the NFIP. She is asking the other Council Members and residents to reach out to them as well. A copy of the letter will be posted at City Hall for those who would like to use it as an outline for sending a letter of their own.

Mayor Pro Tem James I Cook gave report concerning the TX DOT project of I45 and Hwy 6. TX DOT will be taking out the blind merge of I45 and Hwy 6 by creating a standard traffic light intersection for safety purposes. There seem to be no plans to address the current exit at Barracuda, therefore if you would like to see that exit remain you should send your comments to the address posted on the report.

Alderman Lou Wortham has forms available upon request, for responding to the TX DOT plan. Suggestions must be postmarked by June 28<sup>th</sup>, per Mr. Grant with TX DOT. It appears LaMarque has some flood plan around existing roadways they are requesting. Request should be made for a redesign of the concrete ditch which doesn’t drain. It does appear the new service road will be considerably further away and there will be basic landscaping done by TX DOT which they may confer with the City about. TX DOT will hold a second public meeting.

Alderman Wortham also thanked the Mayor for handling the vacation rental issue, he has viewed the 5 websites where prior advertisements were published and found none in Bayou Vista.

**9. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Consider and take possible action to approve the request for a variance of existing setback restrictions for the residence at 498 Pompano, Bayou Vista, Texas, for the purpose to allow construction of an addition of sufficient size.**

A Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook to table the request for variance at 498 Pompano, for opportunity to gather further information.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Althaus.

Motion carried with all in favor.

**B. Consider and take possible action to approve the replatting of Lot 988 and Lot 989 of New Bayou Vista, Addition No. 7, a subdivision in Galveston County, Texas according to the map or plat of said subdivision recorded in Volume 1616, Page 189, in the Office of the County Clerk of Galveston, County Texas (in accordance with LGC: amending plat § 212. 016 (a) (11)).**

A motion was made by Alderman Tami Inman to approve the replatting of Lot 988 & Lot 989 for the purpose of installing an in-ground swimming pool.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook.

Motion carried all in favor.

- C. Consider and take possible action to review the information on employee health insurance benefits as submitted by the Texas Municipal League – Multistate Intergovernmental Employee Benefits pool to determine the amount of the health insurance contribution that will be awarded to each full-time employee who wish to participate in the program for the purpose of budget preparation for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook to approve the amount of \$685.10 for the premium to be contributed for health insurance for each full-time employee and probationary employees who receive a favorable evaluation at the end of the first 90 days of employment.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Tami Inman.

Motion carried all in favor.

- D. Consider and take possible action to approve the Current 457 contribution by the City in the amount of \$200.00 per month, per employee, for those full-time employees who do not need to participate in the Health Insurance Program.**

A motion was made by Alderman Tami Inman to approve the \$200 contribution to the 457 plan for those employees who do not need to participate in the City's health insurance.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Lou Wortham.

Motion carried all in favor.

- E. Consider and take possible action to designate an official representative and an alternate to the Galveston County Transit District Board of Directors.**

A motion was made by Alderman Tami Inman to appoint Alderman Lou Wortham as official representative and Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook as alternate representative to sit on the Galveston County Transit District Board of Directors.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Althaus.

Motion carried all in favor.

- F. Consider and take possible action to designate an official representative and an alternate to the Galveston County Health District, Animal Services Advisory Committee.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook to appoint Mayor Daniel Konyha as official representative and Alderman Bob Althaus as alternate representative to sit on the Galveston County Health District, Animal Services Advisory Committee.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Tami Inman.

Motion carried all in favor.

- G. Consider and take possible action to approve the purchase of a boat for the purpose of providing the Bayou Vista Police Department the ability to patrol the city from the canal side of homes to inspect residence for code enforcement.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook to re-write the purchase of a boat in two action items.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Lou Wortham.

Motion carried all in favor.

**H. Consider and take possible action to approve the fixed price plan contract with Reliant Energy for a savings to the City on the electric bill for the Community Center, City Hall and Street Lights.**

The motion was made by Alderman Tami Inman to table the approval of the fixed price contract to allow further research and bid review to be made.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook.

Motion carried all in favor.

**I. Discuss and take possible action to ensure the permitting procedure complies with the current city ordinances and building codes. Improve as necessary and incorporate those procedures (existing and/or enhance) in the job description of building inspector. Presented for the agenda of June 27, 2017 by Alderman James Cook and Alderman Tami Inman.**

The motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook to order Legal Counsel Dick Gregg III to draft an ordinance with modification to Chapter 3 entitled Building and Construction to include photos and non-conversion form.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Tami Inman.

Motion carried all in favor.

**10. COMMENTS**

**• Citizen's Comments**

A request was made to have the east side of community center pressure washed to remove algae and to instate a regular schedule to pressure wash.

Concern was expressed about the functioning of the gate at Sailfish.

Thanks were expressed to the Council Members for stepping up for committees.

**• Aldermen Comments**

**• Mayor's Comments**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Alderman Tami Inman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem James L Cook, duly put and unanimously carried, the Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Mitchell – City Secretary

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Daniel S. Konyha, Mayor

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