

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022
9:00 A.M.**

The City Council of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Room at City Hall, 200 E. Fourth Street with the following members present:

JIM MCKENZIE, Mayor
JEROD PEEK, Mayor Pro Tem
JOHN MCPHERSON, Councilman
KERRY BAKER, Councilman
RICKY CASTRO, Councilman

DAVID A. VELA, City Manager
PATTY TORRES, City Secretary

ABSENT: JEFF ALLEN, City Attorney

Staff Members present: Lisa Adames Assistant City Manager for Administration, Melissa Vossmer Interim Assistant City Manager for Operations, Bryan Sheridan Police Chief, Eddy Campbell Utilities Director, Dewey Coy Fire Chief, Zach Adames IT Director and Kathleen Cox Communications & Media Relations Manager.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Councilman Baker gave the invocation.
3. Councilman Castro led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and the Texas Flags.
4. Public Input: None
5. Regular Agenda Items
 - A. Motion was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Castro to approve an Ordinance fixing and levying a tax for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. A record vote was taken as follows:

Councilman McPherson: for
Councilman Baker: for
Councilman Castro: for
Mayor Pro Tem Peek: for
Mayor McKenzie: for

The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XV PAGES 2982.

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING A MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE TAX YEAR 2022 AT A RATE OF \$0.5075 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) ASSESSED VALUE UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS

- B. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman Baker to approve an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF ORDINANCE IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XV PAGES 2983 – 2986.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SWEETWATER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022.

- C. Sage Diller with Enprotec/ Hibbs & Todd made recommendation to award the Membrane Replacement Project to Dowtech Specialty Contractors which was the only bid received.

Motion was made by Councilman McPherson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peek to award Construction Contract for the Membrane Replacement Project at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Funded thru the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) to Dowtech Specialty Contractor. The motion carried unanimously.

- D. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman McPherson to accept proposal and award Secure Vision of America to upgrade water meters with Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Councilman McPherson to approve Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development/Municipal Development District Rules of Operation with the exclusion of Section 2.09 Conflict of Interest. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Councilman McPherson, seconded by Councilman Baker to approve a Resolution setting a public hearing on a proposed annexation. The motion carried unanimously.

COPY OF RESOLUTION IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XV PAGE 2987.

RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED ANNEXATION

- G. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman McPherson to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a Municipal Service Agreement between the City of Sweetwater and Bentgrass of Texas, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman Baker. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Jim McKenzie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Ethan Whittenburg, Miesha Adames, Sage Diller, Dana Stanley