

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 10, 2023
9:00 A.M.**

The City Council of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 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
JOHN MCPHERSON, Mayor Pro Tem
JEROD PEEK, Councilman
KERRY BAKER, Councilman

DAVID A. VELA, City Manager
BECKY JIMENEZ, City Secretary

ABSENT: RICKY CASTRO, Councilman
JEFF ALLEN, City Attorney

Staff Members present: Lisa Adames Assistant City Manager for Administration, Kirsta Koennecke Finance Director, Lynn Barrett Director of Planning and Operations, Bryan Sheridan Police Chief, Justin Clowers Interim Utilities Director, Dewey Coy Fire Chief, and Zach Adames IT Director.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Ollie Wilburn with Rhema Valley Family Church gave the invocation.
3. Councilman Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and the Texas Flags.
4. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McPherson, seconded by Councilman Baker to approve the minutes for the meetings held on September 12, 2023 and September 19, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Public Input: None
6. Consent Agenda Items

Motion was made by Councilman Peek, seconded by Councilman Baker to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6A and 6B. The motion carried unanimously.

- A. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter ended September 30, 2023.

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- B. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon the reappointments of Ms. Cheri Roden and Ms. Carol Stuart and the appointment of Mr. Javier Franco to the Board of Commissioners for the Sweetwater Housing Authority, for two-year terms.

7. Regular Agenda Items

- C. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem McPherson, seconded by Councilman Peek to approve a contract implementing a Mental Health Peace Officer. The motion carried unanimously.
- D. Motion was made by Councilman Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McPherson to approve the appointments of Mark Meneses and Russ Petty to the Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development—Municipal Development District (SEED—MDD) Board of Directors, effective October 1, 2023, with terms expiring September 30, 2025. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion was made by Councilman Peek, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McPherson to approve Construction Contract Change Order No. 1 for the Membrane Replacement Project at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Funded through the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). The motion carried unanimously.
- F. Motion was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McPherson to approve soliciting Professional Services for Engineering, Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor Related to the Lead Service Line Replacement Project Funded through the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). The motion carried unanimously.

8. City Manager's Report

- A. Mustang Harbor Splash Pad Closing for the Season – October 15, 2023
- B. National Night Out
- C. Animal Control – Adopted Animals
- D. Scada Computer
- E. Code Enforcement

- 9. Motion was made to adjourn by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Peek. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

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Jim McKenzie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Becky Jimenez, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Ollie Wilburn, Karen Hunt, Peter Gonzales, Ethan Whittenburg,
Miesha Adames, Sage Diller, Stacy Boil