

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 8, 2019

9:00 A.M.

The City Council of the City of Sweetwater, Texas met on October 8, 2019 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

JIM LEE, Councilman

RICKY CASTRO, Councilman

GRANT CHERRY, Councilman

DAVID A. VELA, City Manager

PATTY TORRES, City Secretary

PETE SHERIDAN, City Attorney

Staff Members present: Public Works Director Russell Jones, Fire Chief Grant Madden, Utilities Director Eddy Campbell, Chief of Police Brian Frieda, Director of Administrative Services Lisa Adames, Director of Planning & Development Services Dana Schoening, SNAP Director Tonya Challis and IT Director Zach Adames.

1. Mayor McKenzie called the meeting to order.
2. Matt McGowan with Trinity Baptist Church gave the invocation.
3. Mayor Pro Tem Peek led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and the Texas Flags.
4. Motion was made by Councilman Lee, seconded by Councilman Castro to approve the minutes for meetings held on September 10, 2019, September 17, 2019 and September 24, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Public Input: None
6. Consent Agenda Items A-D

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Councilman Lee to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. 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, 2019.

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- B. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon reappointments of Mr. Ray Chittum, Ms. Cheri Roden and Mr. Keith Clower, whose terms will expire October 2021, as Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Sweetwater.
- C. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon reappointments of Mr. Charles Hamlin, Mr. Kerry Baker and Ms. JoAnn French as board members, and appointment of Mr. Gil Cherry as alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission, with terms expiring September 2021.
- D. City Council to discuss and consider authorization of City staff to dispose of surplus assets through a public auction to be held on the proposed date of October 19, 2019.

7. Regular Agenda Items

- E. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Councilman Cherry to approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, entitled "Animals and Fowl" by repealing the current Chapter 6 and adopting a new Chapter 6 entitled "Animals and Fowl," providing for the enforcement of such Ordinance and penalties for violation. The motion carried unanimously.

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- F. Motion was made by Councilman Lee, seconded by Councilman Castro to enter into public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation was made by Dana Schoening, Director of Planning and Development Services on declaring structures on described property within City of Sweetwater, Texas to be dilapidated and/or deteriorated and unfit for human habitation so as to require repair, rehabilitation or demolition, providing a time with which to rehabilitate, repair or demolish such structures and providing for the repair, rehabilitation or demolition and removal.

Public Comment on described property:

206 W. New Mexico Avenue: None

1306 Pease Street: None

303 E. Alabama Avenue: None

406 Bowie: None

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106 F.K. Williams Street: None

1902 Hailey Street: None

907 W. Louisiana Avenue: None

1208 Hickory Street: None

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Peek, seconded by Councilman Lee to close the public hearing and enter into regular session. The motion carried unanimously.

- G. Motion was made by Councilman Cherry, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Peek to approve a Resolution declaring structures on described property within City of Sweetwater, Texas to be dilapidated and/or deteriorated and unfit for human habitation so as to require repair, rehabilitation or demolition, providing a time with which to rehabilitate, repair or demolish such structures and providing for the repair, rehabilitation or demolition and removal.

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8. City Manager's Report
- A. Citizens' Police Academy
 - B. Landfill Opening
 - C. Community Cleanup Meeting
 - D. New Web Site
9. Councilman Castro made a motion, seconded by Councilman Cherry to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Jim McKenzie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: Kristy Tyra