

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021  
9:00 A.M.**

The City Council of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, met on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 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, Dana Schoening Assistant City Manager for Operations, Bryan Sheridan Chief of Police and Zach Adames IT Director.

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

This meeting was closed to in person attendance by the public. A temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings was granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions were taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

5. Regular Agenda Items
  - A. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman McPherson to approve an Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year End 2020-2021 Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

**COPY OF ORDINANCE IS LOCATED IN THE ORDINANCE AND CONTRACT BOOK XV PAGES 2539 – 2542.**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SWEETWATER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.**

- B. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman McPherson to an Ordinance fixing and levying a tax for Fiscal Year End 2022. A record vote was taken as follows:

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

The motion carried unanimously.

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**AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING A TAX FOR THE TAX YEAR 2021 UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS**

- C. Motion was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Castro to approve first amendment to the meet and confer agreement between the City of Sweetwater and the Sweetwater Police Patrol Association. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Motion was made by Councilman Castro, seconded by Councilman McPherson to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 am. The motion carried unanimously.

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Jim McKenzie, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Patty Torres, City Secretary

Persons signing register: None