

City Council Regular Meeting
February 6, 2023

A City Council regular meeting was held on the above date at Cameron City Hall, McLane Municipal Center, 100 South Houston Avenue, 3rd Floor, Cameron, Texas with all officers and members present.

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Harris offered the invocation.

Council Member Goza led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Harris asked for citizen's comments.

There were no citizen's comments.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the January 17, 2023 special meeting. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hardeman abstaining.

Mayor Harris opened a public hearing at 5:31 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comments on a special use permit for a variance to place a HUD Code Manufactured home at 104 Mesquite, Cameron, Texas.

No one was present regarding this permit request. Code Enforcement Officer Ricky McCall reported that property taxes are not current as of February 1, 2023 and recommended denying permit.

Mayor Harris closed the public hearing at 5:34 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denying permit as well.

Council Member Fuchs moved to deny the special use permit variance request. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Harris opened a public hearing at 5:35 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comments on special use permit for a variance to place a HUD Code Manufactured home at 2204 West 1st Street, Cameron, Texas.

Mr. Dennis Sapp explained that he was upgrading to a new mobile home. His current home will be moved off the property so that the new home can be placed.

Code Enforcement Officer Ricky McCall stated that all set-backs have been met and recommended the permit be approved.

Mayor Harris closed the public hearing at 5:36 p.m.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approving this permit.

Council Member Goza moved to approve the special use permit variance request at 2204 West 1st Street, Cameron, Texas. Council Member Pratt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the following resolution. Council member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-06-010

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE UTILIZATION OF CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE USDOT RAISE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties, and

WHEREAS, Central Texas Council of Governments is desirous for assisting in grant application and administration services for the USDOT Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant on behalf and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Central Texas Council of Governments finds that all activities and related expenses included in this application will serve to implement the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the City of Cameron's regional management plan, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments will comply with all applicable state and local laws and regulations pertaining to the use of state funds, including laws concerning the procurement of goods and services, competitive purchasing requirements and financial and program reporting requirements, and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used only for the purposes for which they are provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the utilization of Central Texas Council of Governments grant administration services for the USDOT RAISE Grant.

Council member Cryer moved to approve the following resolution. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-06-011

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF CAMERON APPLYING FOR RAISE GRANT FUNDING FOR THE RAILROAD QUIET ZONE PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to **Section 2-363** of the City Code, City Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation established the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity program in 2009 to award federal grants on a national competitive basis for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact; and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments will be applying for funds on the behalf of the City of Cameron for a project along the railways on Adams Avenue, 1st Street, College Street, South Rusk Avenue, and Gillis Street to create a quiet zone in the City and improve railroad infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron will provide supporting documents as needed to support the application to the U.S. Department of Transportation's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity discretionary grants program in an amount not to exceed of seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000.00) and

WHEREAS, the City intends to use the proposed grant funding to construct new infrastructure around railroad crossings to support the quiet zone,

WHEREAS, there will likely not be a match requirement due to the City’s eligibility status as rural and an area of persistent poverty and as a historically disadvantaged community.

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the City’s grant application, for the aforesaid purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON that the City’s grant application to U.S. Department of Transportation’s Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity grant program in an amount not to exceed of seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000.00) is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant and to fulfill the requirements of the grant.

After discussion of street paving for 2023, Council Member Fuchs moved to table this item. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried with Council Member Hardeman abstaining.

Council Member Deal moved to Order the May 6, 2023 General Election. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION

A general election is hereby ordered to be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023 for the purpose of:
(Por los presente se ordena que se llevará acabo una elección general el sabado 6 de mayo 2023 con el propósito de:)

Election Council Member Ward #1, Council Member Ward #3, Council Member Ward #5 and Council Member At-Large.
(Elegir al concejale de guarda 1, concejale de guarda 3, conceiale de guarda 5 y conceiale de guarda at large.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted:
(La votación anticipada en persona se llevará a cabo:)

LOCATION (LOCALIDAD)	ADDRESS (DIRECCION)	DATE & TIME (FECHA/HORA)
Milam County Clerk’s Office	806 N. Crockett Ave, Suite A Cameron, TX 76520	April 24 8 am – 5 pm April 25 7 am – 7 pm April 26-28 8 am – 5 pm May 1 7 am – 7 pm May 2 8 am – 5 pm
Buckholts Community Center	110 W. Main St. Buckholts, TX 76518	April 24 8 am – 5 pm April 25 7 am – 7 pm April 26-28 8 am – 5 pm May 1 7 am – 7 pm May 2 8 am – 5 pm
Rockdale Clinic	TBD	April 24 8 am – 5 pm April 25 7 am – 7 pm April 26-28 8 am – 5 pm May 1 7 am – 7 pm May 2 8 am – 5 pm
Thorndale V. F. W	302 E. Moerbe Thorndale, TX 76577	April 24 8 am – 5 pm April 25 7 am – 7 pm April 26-28 8 am – 5 pm May 1 7 am – 7 pm May 2 8 am – 5 pm
		April 24 8 am – 5 pm

Milano	TBD	April 25	7 am – 7 pm
		April 26-28	8 am – 5 pm
		May 1	7 am – 7 pm
		May 2	8 am – 5 pm

Election Day Voting will be conducted on May 6, 2023 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
(Día de votar de las elecciones será el 6 de mayo de 2023 de 7:00 de la mañana a 7:00 de la noche.)

Cameron – TBD
Buckholts Community Center – 110 West Main Street, Buckholts, Texas 76518
Rockdale – TBD
Thorndale VFW – 302 E. Moerbe, Thorndale, Texas 76577
Milano – TBD

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas de votacion para votar por correo deberan enviarse por correo a)

LOCATION (LOCALIDAD)	ADDRESS (DIRECCION)
Jodi Morgan Early Voting Clerk (Secretaria de votacion anticipada)	806 N. Crockett Ave, Ste A Cameron, Texas 76520 254-697-7049

**All mail ballots may be mailed, or hand delivered to the:
Milam County Clerk’s Office
806 N. Crockett Ave, Ste A
Cameron, TX 76520**

APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL MUST BE RECEIVED, NOT POSTMARKED, IN THE COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE BY 5 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023.

Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) must be received no later than the close of business on: *(La Tarjeta Federal Postal de Solicitud deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)*

May 12, 2023. (date)(fecha)

Council Member Deal moved to authorize the city manager to enter into 2023 election agreements as needed. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the expenditures for January 14, 2023 through February 3, 2023. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The following expenditures exceeded \$25,000.00:

- Palasota Contracting LLC \$ 49,116.71
- CEDC \$ 32,188.90
- The Bank of New York \$186,592.50
- Scott & White Health Plan \$ 25,338.32

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the November 2022 Financial Report. Council Member Pratt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NOVEMBER 2022 REVIEW

17.00%

General Revenues	\$757,290.39	15.87	HOT Revenues	\$139,195.71
EXPENSES			HOT Expenses	\$3,145.00
Street Dept	\$145,058.35	13.62	HOT Profit	\$136,050.71
Code Enf	\$13,653.36	10.7		
Fire Dept	\$53,695.57	17.35	LIB Revenues	\$24,028.86
Police Dept.	\$213,833.02	15.89	LIB Expenses	\$2,522.67
			LIB Profit	\$21,506.19
Court	\$10,051.21	14.12		
Library	\$15,924.67	15.33	Fire Revenues	\$52,333.90
Other Operating Exp	\$110,160.54	18.67	Fire Expenses	-\$1,116.48
Cemetery & Parks	\$20,298.25	15.26	Fire Profit	\$53,450.38
Administration	\$55,496.07	13.72		
Swimming Pool	\$7,854.82	22.06	TWDB-DWSRF-LF1000534	
Debt Service	\$193,784.04	37.42	DWSRF Rev	\$30,504.42
Animal Control	\$12,434.74	18.19	DWSRF Exp	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$852,244.64	17.86	Project Balance	\$30,504.42
GF Fund Profit/Loss	-\$94,954.25			
Water & Sewer Revenues	\$724,949.81	21.48	TWDB-DWSRF-L1000517	
EXPENSES			DWSRF Rev	\$289,833.17
Water Maintenance	\$180,811.22	23.25	DWSRF Exp	\$287,506.97
Water Treatment	\$70,653.74	17.62	Project Balance	\$2,326.20
Sewer Treatment	\$53,834.73	17.5		
W & S Administration	\$134,824.37	14.94	TWDB-CWSRF-L1000516	
Bond Retirement	\$350,032.10	35.48	CWSRF Rev	\$110,504.16
Total Expenses	\$790,156.16	35.48	CWSRF Exp	\$70,599.80
Water & Sewer Profit/Loss	-\$65,206.35		Project Balance	\$39,904.36
Airport Revenues	\$38,087.67	37.34		
Airport Expenses	\$17,781.38	24.07	TWDB-CWSRF-LF1000523	
Airport Profit/Loss	\$20,706.29		CWSRF Rev	
			CWSRF Exp	
2018 CDBG #7217049			Project Balance	\$0.00
CDBG Revenues	\$1,500.00			
CDBG Expenses	\$0.00		CDBG #7219061	
			CDBG Revenues	\$12,373.53
			CDBG Expenses	\$0.00

Project Balance	\$1,500.00
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PD Revenues	\$19,576.88
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PD Expenses	\$516.46
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PD Profit	\$19,060.42
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There being no other business to consider, Council Member Deal moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:51 p.m. Council Member Fuchs seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.