

City Council Regular Meeting
April 5, 2021

A City Council regular meeting was held on the above date at The Yards of Cameron, 303 Adams Avenue, Cameron, Texas with all officers and members present.

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

City Manager J Rhett Parker reviewed the agenda items.

City Secretary Amy Harris reported that City Attorney Art Rodriguez confirmed that when approving the special use permit, the Council is approving the use only. City Council is not approving a specific structure. Resident must place a HUD code manufactured home that meets specifications.

Mayor Harris called the regular meeting to order at 5:33p.m.

Council Member Deal offered the invocation.

Council Member Cryer led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Harris asked for citizen's comments.

Cindy Leonard asked that the swimming pool be opened this summer for the community.

There were no other citizen's comments at this time.

Council Member Hardeman entered at this time.

Council Member Goza moved to approve the March 15, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the tax abatement agreement with NorCal Ovenworks as presented. Council Member Sims seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Tommy Valle with KPA Engineers presented an amended change order number 1 for the TWDB CWSRF No. 73727 lift station rehabilitation project.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the amended change order number 1. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rhosonda Scott and Dayona Johnson asked for permission to host the 6th Annual Family Fun Hood Day on April 25, 2021. Ms. Scott and Ms. Johnson asked for street closures, trash carts, noise ordinance exception for live music, generator and weed removal on the basketball courts at park on MLK Boulevard.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the event with stipulation that event insurance must be presented prior to event and authorized Chief Gosch and Craig Arnold to work

with group regarding parking and street closures. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Sam Berry, representing Working for Cameron, requested use of Ledbetter Park for Cameron Fun Fest on May 7-8, 2021. Fun Fest will include a Bar-B-Que Cook-Off, 5K run, Cornhole Tournament, Horseshoe Tournament, Washer Tournament, Margarita Contest, Chili Cook-Off, and concert.

Council Member Deal moved to approve the event with stipulation that event insurance must be presented prior to event. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the survey of 12th Street Park and 64 acres. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the following Resolution. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04-05-011

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF CAMERON, TEXAS, ("CITY") REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION – MIDTEX DIVISION, TO INCREASE RATES UNDER THE GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM; SUSPENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RATE APPLICATION FOR FORTY-FIVE DAYS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN A COALITION OF CITIES KNOWN AS THE "ATMOS TEXAS MUNICIPALITIES;" DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING SUCH OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on or about February 26, 2021 Atmos Energy Corporation – MidTex Division (“Atmos Energy”) filed for an increase in gas utility rates under the Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (“GRIP”), which if approved, results in an increase in the monthly customer charges as follows:

Rate Schedule	Current Customer Charge	Proposed 2021 Interim Rate Adjustment (Based on 2020 Data)	Adjusted Customer Charge	Increase Per Bill
Rate R – Residential Sales	\$26.45 per customer per month	\$4.55 per customer per month	\$31.00 per customer per month	\$4.55
Rate C – Commercial Sales	\$66.80 per customer per month	\$14.52 per customer per month	\$81.32 per customer per month	\$14.52
Rate I (Industrial) & Rate T (Transportation)	\$1,201.73 per customer per month	\$262.44 per customer per month	\$1,464.17 per customer per month	\$262.44

WHEREAS, Atmos Energy’s application, if approved by the Railroad Commission, will result in a systemwide increase in Atmos Energy’s revenue of about \$111.5 million, of which ATM’s portion is about \$11.11 million; and

WHEREAS, the City has a special responsibility to exercise due diligence with regard to rate increases of monopoly utilities who operate within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the application to increase rates by Atmos Energy is complex; and

WHEREAS, the effective date proposed by Atmos Energy is April 27, 2021, but a suspension by the City will mean that the rate increase cannot go into effect prior to June 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to suspend the effective date for the increase in rates for forty-five days, so that the City can assure itself that the data and calculations in Atmos Energy's rate application are correctly done and are in conformity with Section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. That the statements and findings set out in the preamble to this resolution are hereby in all things approved and adopted.

Section 2. The City suspends the requested effective date by Atmos Energy for forty-five days pursuant to the authority granted the City under Section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act to allow the City to review the data and calculations that provide the basis for Atmos Energy's proposed increase in rates.

Section 3. The City shall continue to act jointly with other cities that are part of a coalition of cities known as the Atmos Texas Municipalities ("ATM").

Section 4. The City authorizes the law firm of Herrera Law & Associates, PLLC, to act on its behalf in connection with Atmos Energy's application to increase rates.

Section 5. To the extent Atmos Energy's application to increase rates under section 104.301 of the Gas Utility Regulatory Act ("GURA") is considered a ratemaking proceeding, Atmos Energy is ordered to reimburse the City's reasonable rate case expenses incurred in response to Atmos Energy's rate increase application within 30 days of receipt of invoices for such expenses to the extent allowed by law.

Section 6. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Mr. Christopher A. Felan, Vice President, Rates & Regulatory Affairs, Atmos Energy Corporation, 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1862, Dallas, Texas 75240; and to Mr. Alfred R. Herrera, Herrera Law & Associates, PLLC, 4524 Burnet Road, Austin, Texas 78756.

Section 7. The meeting at which this resolution was approved was in all things conducted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Section 8. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage.

CDBG Expenses	\$0.00	CDBG Expenses	\$18,550.00
Project Balance	\$0.00	Project Balance	\$12,373.53

PD Revenues	\$12,499.51
PD Expenses	\$2,006.14
PD Profit	\$10,493.37

Council Member Deal moved to approve the expenditures for March 13, 2021 through April 2, 2021. Council Member Fuchs seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There following expenditures exceeded \$25,000:

- Autonation Ford \$ 39,532.99
- Kasberg, Patrick & Associates \$146,820.00
- AC Electrical Services \$ 26,362.50

There being no other business to consider, Council Member Fuchs moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.