

City Council Regular Meeting
May 3, 2021

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 except City Secretary Amy Harris.

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

City Manager J Rhett Parker reviewed the agenda items.

Council Member Goza offered the invocation.

Council Member Cryer led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Harris asked for citizen's comments.

There were no citizen's comments at this time.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the April 19, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

City Manager J Rhett Parker presented a contract to upgrade the airport QT Petroleum on Demand M4000 fuel terminal. Council Member Deal moved to approve the contract to purchase the new M4000 software package and terminal for the Cameron Municipal Airpark. Council Member Sims seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There were four RFQ's submitted for engineering services concerning the CEDC Street Grant Project on Adams and Industrial. In Ranking order were Walker Partners, Stand Associates, KSA and The Goodman Corporation. Council Member Hardeman approved to hire Walker Partners, as the engineer for the CEDC Street Grant Project. Council Member Cryer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Goza moved to approve the following resolution. Council Member Sims seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05-05-008

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF CAMERON'S APPLICATION
TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S 2021
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE (TA) CALL FOR PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation issued a call for projects in January 2021 for communities to apply for funding assistance through the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program; and

WHEREAS, the TA funds may be used for development of preliminary engineering (plans, specifications, and estimates and environmental documentation) and construction of pedestrian and/or bicycle infrastructure. The TA funds require a local match, comprised of cash or Transportation Development

Credits (TDCs), if eligible. The City of Cameron would be responsible for all non-reimbursable costs and 100% overruns, if any, for TA funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Cameron that: The City of Cameron supports funding this project as described in the 2021 TA Detailed Application (including the preliminary engineering budget, if any, construction budget, the department’s 15% direct state cost for oversight, and the required local match, if any) and is willing to commit to the project’s development, implementation, construction, maintenance, management, and financing. The City of Cameron is willing and able to enter into an agreement with the department by resolution or ordinance, should the project be selected for funding.

Council Member Deal moved to approved two Horseshoe tournaments scheduled for May 15th and August 28th, 2021 presented by Jennifer Layne. Council Member Sims asked if they had event insurance. Layne said that it was a sanctioned event and insurance was provided by the Texas Horseshoe Tournament Association. Council Member Hardeman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the expenditures for April 17, 2021 through April 30, 2021. Council Member Goza seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There following expenditures exceeded \$25,000:

- State Comptroller \$ 35,434.33
- American Medical Response \$ 27,933.53
- Herrman International \$ 89,850.00

Council Member Fuchs moved to approve the March 2021 Financial Reports as presented. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MARCH 2021 REVIEW

50.00%

General Revenues	\$2,838,139.91	62.97	HOT Revenues	\$143,285.32
EXPENSES			HOT Expenses	\$17,853.21
Street Dept	\$492,187.51	49.55	<u>HOT Profit</u>	<u>\$125,432.11</u>
Code Enf	\$61,327.33	51.47	LIB Revenues	\$21,270.80
Fire Dept	\$142,242.55	51.28	LIB Expenses	\$2,815.97
Police Dept.	\$638,003.65	54.23	<u>LIB</u>	
Court	\$29,851.00	44.29	<u>Profit</u>	<u>\$18,454.83</u>
Library	\$33,503.59	41.32	Fire Revenues	\$51,264.44
Ambulance	\$59,246.13	48.62	Fire Expenses	-\$3,893.33
Other Operating Exp	\$331,922.37	58.16		

Cemetery & Parks	\$54,260.42	30.62
Administration	\$154,402.38	48.05
Debt Service	\$472,487.23	93.41
Total Expenses	\$2,494,694.32	55.35
GF Fund Profit/Loss	\$343,445.59	

Water & Sewer Revenues	\$1,569,918.88	46.4
EXPENSES		
Water Maintenance	\$401,463.83	53.7
Water Treatment	\$246,994.64	60.04
Sewer Treatment	\$150,465.96	50.01
W & S Administration	\$351,320.70	36.54
Bond Retirement	\$885,715.11	92.27
Total Expenses	\$2,035,960.24	60.2
Water & Sewer Profit/Loss	\$466,041.36	

Airport Revenues	\$34,601.19	108.13
Airport Expenses	\$29,922.74	93.51
Airport Profit/Loss	\$4,678.45	

2018 CDBG #7217049	
CDBG Revenues	
CDBG Expenses	\$0.00
Project Balance	\$0.00

PD Revenues	\$12,523.42
PD Expenses	\$2,006.14
PD Profit	\$10,517.28

Fire Profit	\$55,157.77
TWDB-DWSRF-LF1000534	
DWSRF Rev	\$30,504.42
DWSRF Exp	\$0.00
Project Balance	\$30,504.42

TWDB-DWSRF-L1000517	
DWSRF Rev	\$203,428.70
DWSRF Exp	\$173,182.50
Project Balance	\$30,246.20

TWDB-CWSRF-L1000516	
	\$1,351,306.7
CWSRF Rev	6
	\$1,114,548.2
CWSRF Exp	7
Project Balance	\$236,758.49

TWDB-CWSRF-LF1000523	
CWSRF Rev	
CWSRF Exp	
Project Balance	\$0.00

CDBG #7219061	
CDBG Revenues	\$30,923.53
CDBG Expenses	\$18,550.00
Project Balance	\$12,373.53

The City Council entered into executive session at 5:46 p.m. for the following reasons:

- a. Pursuant to §551.074 to Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee: John Lopez and/or Ronnie Rivers, Jr.
- b. Pursuant to §551.074 to Perform the Annual Performance Review of City Manager

The City Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:13 pm. Council Member Kyle Deal announced no Action to be taken.

Discussion was had concerning agenda item 14 to discuss and possibly take action concerning employment matters in the water and sewer department. Bill Duckworth, the wastewater superintendent spoke to the topic explaining that the issues in pursuing employment of water and wastewater employees was not due to management. He described that 36 employees had passed through or overturned through the water and wastewater department for various reasons such as low morale due to Facebook and social media posts, money, lack of proper equipment and facilities or the termination of individuals. Duckworth spoke on the current conditions of the infrastructure and hardships to recruit local candidates for employment.

Council Member Hardeman thanked Mr. Duckworth and the water and wastewater department for all their hard work and exclaimed that the council would look into the working and facility conditions brought to their attention.

There being no other business to consider, Council Member Fuchs moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Deal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.