

REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017
6:30 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Anahuac City Council was held in the Council Chambers of Anahuac City Hall located at 501 Miller Street, Anahuac, Texas on Monday, April 10, 2017 at the above noted time.

There were present:

Cheryl Sanders	Mayor
Janice Jircik	Aldерwoman
Deidre Crews	Mayor Pro Tem
Charlie Henry	Alderman
Miguel Anderson	Alderman (6:59 p.m.)
Danny Thompson	Alderman (6:36 p.m.)
Richard Baker	City Attorney
Ken Bays	City Administrator
Julie Harvill	City Secretary

Those not present:

Richard Ferguson	City Attorney
Scott Wible	Public Works Director

Guests:

Sarah Cerrone	Texas Gatorfest
Chester Linares	Citizen
Bill Stults	Citizen
Jeff Scogin	LJA Engineering
Courtney Allen	Texas Gatorfest
Sean Perry	Citizen
Robbie King	Anahuac Area Chamber of Commerce
Wesley King	Texas Gatorfest
Chris Jircik	Citizen
Sue Hawthorne	The Progress
Shannon Nevol	Bay Area Turning Point, INC

Regular Meeting

Mayor Sanders called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Alderman Henry led the invocation and Mayor Pro Tem Crews led the pledges.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 1 Proclamation – A proclamation recognizing April 2017 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the City of Anahuac. Mayor Sanders presented Shannon Nevol with the proclamation; Ms. Nevol thanks the Mayor and Council and read the proclamation aloud.

Proclamation – A proclamation recognizing April 2017 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Anahuac. Mayor Sanders read and presented the proclamation.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 2 comments from the Audience. There were no comments from the audience.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 3 consideration and possible action on approval for authorization to go out for bids for the 2016 Sanitary Sewer Line Rehabilitation Project, CDBG Project No. 7216009, contingent upon approval of final plans by the Mayor, City Administrator, or Public Works Director.

A motion to approving the Mayor, City Administrator, or Public Works Director the authority to approve the plans when completed and for the approval to go out for bids was made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 4 consideration and possible action on Amusement Park Ordinance. This was provided for information only, Mayor Sanders asked Council to review the example of Mont Belvieu's ordinance and provide their comments for the next meeting. No action taken

Mayor Sanders move to item 5 consideration and possible action on citizen's agenda request.

- a. **Kathy Chambliss** – Request an adjustment on the sewer portion of their bill due to a water leak. A motion to approve the credit of \$169.91 was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.
- b. **Sarah Cerrone & Courtney Allen** – Request to hold skeet shoot as part of Gatorfest in 2017. Ms. Allen informed Council that the skeet shoot would take place on September 9, 2017, shooters would be required to take a 2-3 hour safety course, Kings Security (Tom Brigs) would be providing security as well as Chambers County Sheriff Department. The skeet shoot would last between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. A motion approving the skeet shoot was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 6 consideration and possible action on rate study. A motion to approve the rate study that was presented to Council on March 6, 2017 by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henry, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 7 consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. 2017-04-03 – **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ANAHUAC, TEXAS DECLARING THE AMENDING OF ORDINANCE NUMBERS 2004-12-001, 2010-10-01, 2012-10-02, 2013-07-01 AND SETTING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE CITY OF ANAHUAC.** A motion approving Ordinance No. 2017-04-03 was made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henry, all were

favor with the exception of Alderman Thompson who opposed with 4 for and 1 against the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 8 consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. 2014-04-01 – **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ANAHUAC, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2005-16-03, SECTION 92.51 IMPOUNDEMENT FEES FOR LICENSED AND UNLICENSED ANIMALS.** A motion approving Ordinance 2014-04-01 was made by Mayor Pro Tem Crews. The motion was seconded by Alderman Thompson, all were in favor and the motion carried. Mayor Pro Tem wants the pictures of dogs picked up to be posted on the City's website and City's facebook page as well.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 9 consideration and possible action on the process of declaring properties unlivable and declaring them to be demolished. Alderwoman Jircik had previously spoken with City Attorney Richard Baker, and Mr. Baker is reviewing the legal process that needs to take place in order for the City to declare a property to be demolished. Alderwoman Jircik informed Council that the AMDD would like to assist with the cost of having the properties cleaned up and the structures demolished, but the City would have to do all the legal work, the AMDD would also like to have revolving account set up to handle this process. No action was taken on this item.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 10 consent agenda items:

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Bookkeeper's Reports from April 2017
- c. Approval of minutes from March 6, 2017 workshop & special meeting, March 13, 2017 workshop, and March 13, 2017 regular meeting
- d. Resolution No. 2017-04-01 – **A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ATTACHED POLICIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY OF ANAHUAC, TEXAS PARTICIPATION IN FEDERALLY FUNDED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS AND ADHERENCE TO REGULATIONS DESCRIBED THEREIN.**
- e. Resolution No. 2017-04-02 – **A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CIVIL RIGHTS.**
- f. Supporting the Chambers County Tax Assessor-Collector Denise Hutter in changes of tax programmers and delinquent tax attorneys.
- g. Ordinance No. 2014-07-02 – **AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING THE RATES PROPOSED BY CENTERPOINT ENERGY.**

A motion to approve the consent agenda item A was made by Alderman Anderson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Henry, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 11 consideration and possible action on department reports. No action taken.

With no further business needed to be brought before Mayor Sanders moved to item 12 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

**Cheryl Sanders, Mayor
City of Anahuac**

**Julie Harvill, City Secretary
City of Anahuac**