

PUBLIC HEARING, & REGULAR MEETING
Monday, September 11, 2017
6:00 p.m.

A Public Hearing & 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, September 11, 2017 at the above noted time.

There were present:

Cheryl Sanders	Mayor
Charlie Henry	Mayor Pro Tem, Position 1
Janice Jircik	Alderwoman Position 2
Deidre Crews	Alderwoman Position 4
Sean Perry	Alderman Position 3
Danny Thompson	Alderman Position 5 (arrived @ 7:21)
Ken Bays	City Administrator
Richard Ferguson	City Attorney
Julie Harvill	City Secretary
Stephen Bivin	Public Works Director

Those not present:

Richard Baker	City Attorney
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Guests:

Latrica Marshall	AVFD
Sue Hawthorne	The Progress
Brad Gates	AVFD
Rosie Womack	AISD
Chris Jircik	Citizen

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Sanders called the public hearing to order at 6:18 p.m. and the announced the presence of a quorum. Mayor Pro Tem Henry led the invocation and Alderman Thompson led the pledges.

- a. Conduct the second of two Public Hearings on the proposed tax rate of \$0.710334 for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

No discussion was made. The public hearing closed at 6:20 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Sanders called the regular meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 1 comments from audience. There were not comments from the audience.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 13 consideration and possible action on department reports. Mr. Langford spoke to Council regarding the Doberman's we picked up after Hurricane Harvey. He informed City Council that he had spoke with two different ladies in the County Attorney's office and none of them felt like we had a good case for animal cruelty. It was determined that the Mr. Langford was going to write the owner a ticket for no license and the dogs needed to be returned to the owners.

Mayor Sanders moved item 2 consideration and possible action on City Water Plant Project, City Sewer Project CDBG Project No. 7216009, and TWDB projects and related engineering matters, including but not limited to the following:

- a. Engineer status report on Contract A – water treatment plant rehabilitation
- b. Engineer status report on Contract B – raw water pond and transmission line
- c. Update on the CDBG project
- d. Update on the TDWB project

The City Engineer Toby Davis informed Council that the plant had been started up before Hurricane Harvey and everything was working. There are some items that was messed up during Hurricane Harvey that has to be repaired and will delay the start up again for 3-4 weeks.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 3 consideration and possible action on citizen's agenda request:

- a. **Stephanie Welch** – Regarding the sewer adjustment that was given on August 14, 2017. No action was taken, Council suggested waiting until Mrs. Welch came back to Council.
- b. **Yvonne Grance** – Adjustment on sewer portion of bill due to a leak. If credit is approved the credit would be for \$301.34. A motion to approve the credit was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.
- c. **Rosie Womack/AISD** – Request for road blockage. The school would like to block S. Bay to Galveston between the hours of 7:15 am to 7:45 am and 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm for bus unloading and loading. A motion approving the road closure as well as signs to be made and put up, and barricades to be placed closing the roads made by Alderwoman Crews. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.
- d. **Kathryn Hale** – Address City Council and Mayor regarding the RV Ordinance. No action was taken.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 4 consideration and possible action on rental of copier for City Hall Office. A motion to switch from Star Graphics to Xerox with

a 36 month for the copier rental was made by Mayor Pro Tem Henry. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 5 consideration and possible action on City Observed Holiday's for fiscal year 2017-2018. A motion to approve the holiday scheduled was made by Alderwoman Crews. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Henry, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 6 consideration and possible action on the City Hall closing for lunch between 11:30-12:30. A motion approving City Hall closing for lunch was made by Alderwoman Crews. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 7 consideration and possible action on purchasing the MyMunicode instead of MunicodeNEXT with Municode. A motion to approve the change in purchase was made by Alderman Perry. The motion was seconded by Alderman Thompson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 8 consideration and possible action on pay for the employees that worked Hurricane Harvey. A motion to pay the employees as long as the City would be reimbursed by FEMA was made by Mayor Pro Tem Henry. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 9 vote on and adopt the budget for fiscal year 2017-2018, Ordinance No. 2017-09-01- **AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ANAHUAC, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2018; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY FOR SUCH YEAR AS REFLECTED IN SAID BUDGET; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS INCLUDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY.** A motion to have a workshop & special meeting on September 18, 2017 to discuss the budget was made by Alderwoman Crews. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 10 vote on and adopt the tax rate of \$0.710334 for fiscal year 2017-2018, Ordinance No. 2017-09-02 – **AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VOLOREM TEXAS FOR THE USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF ANAHUAC, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2017; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND , PROVIDING WHEN TAXED SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.** Council could not take action on this since the budget has to be passed first, therefore it will be placed on the special meeting along with the passage of the budget for September 18, 2017.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 11 consideration and possible action on receiving applications for two positions on the AMDD board. A motion to reappoint Danny Thompson and Natalyn Royer due to their term expiring but also accept applications was made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Henry, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 12 consent agenda

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Bookkeeper's Reports from September 2017
- c. Approval of minutes from August 2, 2017 workshop, August 14, 2017 regular meeting, August 31, 2017 public hearing, special and emergency meeting.
- d. Agreement letter with Start, Garcia, & Stanley, LLC to perform the audit for Fiscal year 2016-2017.
- e. Agreement with Anahuac Emergency Corps for fiscal year 2017-2018
- f. Agreement with Anahuac Volunteer Fire Department for fiscal year 2017-2018.

A motion to approve the consent items with the change or personnel made to the agreement with the fire department was made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 13 consideration and possible action on department reports. A motion to approve the department reports and to contact Oscar to receive a quote on cutting down 2 trees was made by Mayor Pro Tem Henry. The motion was seconded by Alderman Perry, all were in favor and the motion carried.

With no further business needed to be brought before the council Mayor Sanders moved to item 14 and regular meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Cheryl Sanders, Mayor
City of Anahuac

Julie Harvill, City Secretary
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