# **CITY OF BAY CITY**

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COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 1901 5th Street

**City Council Workshop** 

4:00 PM

**1901 5TH STREET BAY CITY TX,77414** 



Mayor

Robert K. Nelson

Councilman

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Brent P. Marceaux

Councilwoman

Becca Slitz

**Mayor Pro Tem** 

William Cornman

Jason W. Childers

Councilwoman

Julie Estlinbaum

Bay City is committed to developing and enhancing the long-term prosperity, sustainability, and health of the community.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robert K. Nelson called the meeting to order at 4:13 pm

## **CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

PRESENT
Mayor Robert K. Nelson
Mayor Pro Tem Jason W. Childers
Councilman William Cornman
Councilman Brent P. Marceaux
Councilwoman Julie Estlinbaum
Councilwoman Becca Sitz

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

# REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL

1. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CITY'S FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR THE SERVICE CENTER (USO). Shawn Blackburn, Parks & Recreation Director

Shawn Blackburn, Parks & Recreation Director reviewed the deed from 2009 regarding restrictions. Mr. Blackburn stated that they were hoping to offset costs but the Deed will need to be modified. Mr. Blackburn added that the City will need to work with family that deeded the property with restrictions. Mr Blackburn presented a proposed new facility use agreement based on Civic Center agreement. Anne Marie Odefey spoke with Mr. Runnels, who was happy to get a phone call to discuss rather than a letter. She explained the new proposal and that Mr. Runnels is willing to meet with the City. Ms. Odefey thinks making him a part of the process helps with the relations. Hoping to meet this week. Councilman Marceaux is concerned as it opens up a competition with other entities (VFW, KC, Eagles, etc.). Mayor Pro Tem Childers believes if we are higher than those it will put us behind them. Councilman Marceaux requested a rate sheet from those organizations for assurance that we do not undercut them. Councilwoman Estlinbaum stated that she never thought of them as competition, until brought up, something to take into consideration. Councilwoman Sitz wants to keep our prices above the other non-profits. Will bring back for discussion after meeting with the family.

2. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CITY OF BAY CITY'S PROPOSED FEE ORDINANCE CHANGES TO BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2, 2020. Scotty Jones, Finance Director

Scotty presented the proposed fee schedule and items added or changed. Variance filling fee was reviewed and Mayor Pro Tem Childers stated was a bit steep, he doesn't want people to skip us due to cost. Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director,

stated that it is to encourage to follow through what we have in place rather than ask for a variance. Councilman Marceaux stated that we want to be friendly but keep the pretenders from overly requesting variances. Council compromised at \$75. Councilman Cornman commented on Airport costs, thinks we should do that James Mason has recommended. Shawna Burkhart stated that James is getting fee rates from other airports and we are in the process. Mayor Pro Tem Childers would like clarification on Airport late payment fees on past due days. Municipal Courts security fees based on Texas Legislation. In Waste Management, HHW .94 is monthly. Mayor Pro Tem Childers wants to know if we are in line with other cities on taps in utilities. Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director, stated that they looked at cost for the City to put in meter, mains, which is more than tapping charges. Councilman Cornman said for a development we could always offer an incentive. Scotty Jones provided a summary of billing of water/garbage/sewer. Shawna Burkhart added that TCEQ requires conservation pricing. Councilman Cornman requested more footnotes in financial reports.

# 3. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AGREEMENT AND GIVE STAFF DIRECTION.

Mayor Nelson opened discussions. Krystal Mason provided monthly HHW collection statistics. She has had no complaints and only one missed pickup which was resolved quickly. Councilwoman Estlinbaum thinks its a great service. Mayor Nelson added that the County will not be able to have their Hazardous Waste Collection this year so he thinks the numbers will go up. Shawna Burkhart, City Manager, asked if we want to forward the cost to residents at 100%. Councilman Cornman stated we should keep the program and City cover cost. Mayor Pro Tem Childers recommends more advertisement. Council will revisit in 6 months. Mayor Nelson requested to see statistics from other cities to see if slow start is typical.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Councilman Marceaux to adjourn, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Childers. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Childers, Councilman Cornman, Councilman Marceaux, Councilwoman Estlinbaum, Councilwoman Sitz. Motion carried and Council adjourned at 5:39 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 22 day of September, 2020

ROBERT K. NELSON, MAYOR

CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS

JEANNA THOMPSON

CITY SECRETARY