

**CITY OF BAY CITY**  
**MINUTES • FEBRUARY 23, 2021**

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**COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS | 1901  
5th Street**

**City Council Utility Workshop**

**4:30 PM**

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



**Mayor**

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Robert K. Nelson

**Councilman**

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Jim Folse

**Mayor Pro Tem**

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Jason W. Childers

**Councilman**

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Brent P. Marceaux

**Councilwoman**

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Becca Slitz

**Councilwoman**

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Floyce Brown

***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 4:38 pm.

**CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM****PRESENT**

Mayor Robert K. Nelson  
Mayor Pro Tem Jason W. Childers  
Councilwoman Floyce Brown  
Councilman Jim Folse  
Councilman Brent P. Marceaux  
Councilwoman Becca Sitz

**Also present:**

Shawna Burkhart, City Manager  
Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director  
Dan Olsen, Garver

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL****REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CITY'S UTILITY ORDINANCE**

Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director reviewed the need to adjust rates after the increase in rates created complaint. Mr. Calhoun stated that irrigation water use rates was hit hard. Mr. Calhoun added that we have revisited and brought down last month after making adjustments. The review tonight is to review the final adjustments. Dan Olsen with Garver addressed council. Mr. Olsen stated that they tried to incorporate the feedback and to moderate and phase in.

Mayor Nelson asked if these rates cover the debt service. Mr. Olsen replied yes.

Mayor Pro Tem Childers asked if there will be incremental increases and Mr. Olsen replied that it would for next few years but not like this. Benchmark showed a sewer cap, sewer cap makes a difference. The new fees still keeps us in the middle of the road and the changes were to satisfy those high volume customers.

Mayor Pro Tem Childers asked about the meters. Mr. Calhoun stated that the company had updated the software and they drug their feet but there were bugs in the software, the City is still manually reading meters. Mr. Calhoun added that commercial business meters have failed, facing replacing 18 meters and we should have in by next month. One hundred Badger test meters are in the ground, still reading 100%, working real good. Very pleased with those

test meters and showed leaks with out customer knowing.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Childers, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Folse, Councilman Marceaux, Councilwoman Sitz. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.



ROBERT K. NELSON, MAYOR  
CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS



JEANNA THOMPSON  
CITY SECRETARY

