

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

August 08, 2022 at 7:00 PM
Hewitt City Hall, 200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643
MINUTES

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor, Ward 3

Michael S. Bancale, Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large – Charlie Turner, Council Member, Ward 1 Johnny Stephens, Council Member, Ward 1 – Johnny Price, Council Member, Ward 2 Bob Potter, Council Member, Ward 2 – Erica Bruce, Council Member, Ward 3

The meeting will be streamed live on the city's website at www.cityofhewitt.com/790/Hewitt-TX-TV.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING - 7:00 PM

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Steve Fortenberry called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02 PM and announced all members were present, except Council Member Erica Bruce.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Steve Fortenberry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not properly posted on the agenda. [Note: Members of the public who wish to speak must complete a "Public Comment Form" and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting.]

Mayor Steve Fortenberry inquired if any citizens submitted public comment forms. City Secretary Lydia Lopez stated she received no public comment forms. No one appeared.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTION

1. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET. City Manager Bo Thomas presented. Mayor Steve Fortenberry opened the public hearing at 7:02 PM and inquired if there was anyone wishing to speak on the FY 2022-2023 Proposed Annual Budget. No one appeared. The public hearing was closed at 7:03 PM.

2. CONDUCT THE FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE 2022 TAX RATE.

City Manager Bo Thomas presented and stated that the proposed property tax rate is the same as the current tax rate of \$0.540102. Mayor Steve Fortenberry opened the public hearing at 7:04 PM and asked if there was anyone wishing to speak on the 2022 Tax Rate. No one appeared. The public hearing was closed at 7:05 PM.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

3. MOTION TO ANNOUNCE THAT AUGUST 15, 2022, AT 7:00 PM, AT THE HEWITT CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 200 PATRIOT COURT, AS THE DATE TO VOTE ON THE 2022 TAX RATE. City Manager Bo Thomas presented.

MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved move to set the date of August 15, 2022, at 7:00 PM, at the Hewitt City Hall, Council Chambers, 200 Patriot Court, as the date to vote on the 2022 Tax Rate.

SECOND: Council Member Johnny Price

AYES: Potter, Price, Stephens, Turner, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: Bruce MOTION PASSED.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09, PROVIDING FOR THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF THE CITY OF HEWITT, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2022; AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT. City Manager Bo Thomas presented. Senior Managing Director Andrew Friedman introduced Bond Counsel Clark Kimball, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton, L.L.P., who was also present. Mr. Friedman gave an overview of the bond process and announced the successful bidder was The Baker Group, with an interest rate of 3.34%. MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved to approve Ordinance No. 2022-09, providing for the sale and issuance of the City of Hewitt, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2022; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject.

SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter

AYES: Potter, Price, Stephens, Turner, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: Bruce MOTION PASSED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Charlie Turner moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:23 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter

AYES: Potter, Price, Stephens, Turner, Bancale, and Fortenberry

NAYES: None ABSENT: Bruce MOTION PASSED. Approved: 08-15-2022

ATTEST:

Lydia Topez, City Secretary

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor