



**City of New Fairview
City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 5, 2023**

**CITY COUNCIL
Mayor John Taylor
Mayor Pro Tem Steven King
Place 1 Councilman Harvey Lynn Burger
Place 3 Councilwoman Sarah Adams
Place 5 Councilman Richard Greene**

**City Staff
John Cabrales Jr, City Administrator
Brooke Boller, City Secretary
Roberta (Robin) Cross, City Attorney – Virtual**

**Absent
Place 2 Councilman Peter Kozlowski**

REGULAR SESSION

1. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum (**Work Session called to order by Mayor John Taylor at 7:00 pm; Roll Call with the above-mentioned names.**)
2. Pledge to the Flags.
 - A. United States of America
 - B. Texas Flag Honor the Texas Flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.
3. Announcements & Special Recognitions: The agenda shall provide a time when proclamations, recognitions, general reports, and updates may be presented by the City Council.
4. City Administrator's Report: The City Administrator's Report may provide information on status of current city projects and other projects affecting the City, meetings and actions of the city's boards and commissions, upcoming local community events, including but not limited to departmental operations and capital improvement project status. No action will be taken with respect to this report.
5. Public Comment: The City Council invites persons with comments or observations related to city issues, projects, or policies to briefly address the City Council. Anyone wishing to speak should sign in with the City Secretary before the beginning of the City Council Meeting. In order to expedite the flow of business and to provide all citizens the opportunity to speak, there is a three-minute limitation on any person addressing the City Council. State law prohibits the City Council from discussing or taking action on any item not listed on the posted agenda.

6. Consent Agenda: All matters as Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. An item can be removed from the consent agenda by the City Administrator, Mayor, or any member of the City Council and will be considered after approval of the consent agenda.
 - A. Approve the City Council Meeting minutes for August 21, 2023.
Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Steven King
Second: Councilman Richard Greene
Vote: All in Favor
Result: City Council approved the minutes from Aug 21st meeting.

7. New Business: All matters listed in New Business will be discussed and considered separately.
 - A. Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed Tax Rate for the 2023 Tax Year.
Opened: 7:07pm **Closed: 7:07pm**
 - B. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending on September 30, 2024.
Opened: 7:08pm **Closed: 7:09pm**
 - C. Discuss, consider, and act on an Ordinance approving and adopting the budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024.
Motion: Councilman Richard Greene
Second: Mayor Pro Tem Steven King
Vote: For – Councilman Harvey Burger, Councilwoman Srah Adams, Mayor Pro Tem Steven King, Councilman Richard Greene
Absent – Councilman Peter Kozlowski
Result: Council approved an Ordinance approving and adopting the Proposed budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, with the vote to be a record vote.
 - D. Discuss, consider, and act on an Ordinance levying the Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2023 Tax Year at a Rate of \$.258013 per \$100 Assessed Valuation on all Taxable Property within the City's Corporate Limits as of January 1, 2023.
Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Steven King
Second: Councilman Harvey Burger
Vote: For – Councilman Harvey Burger, Councilwoman Srah Adams, Mayor Pro Tem Steven King, Councilman Richard Greene
Absent – Councilman Peter Kozlowski
Result: Council approved the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.258013, which is effectively a 44.8% increase from the No New Revenue tax rate by Ordinance 202309-02-120, levying the Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2023 Tax Year on all Taxable Property within the city's Corporate Limits as of January 1, 2023.
 - E. Discuss, consider, and act on a Resolution ratifying the property tax increase reflected in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.
Motion: Councilwoman Sarah Adams
Second: Councilman Richard Greene
Vote: For – Councilman Harvey Burger, Councilwoman Srah Adams, Mayor Pro Tem Steven King, Councilman Richard Greene
Absent – Councilman Peter Kozlowski
Result: Council approved a Resolution ratifying the property tax Increase reflected in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget, as required by Local Government Code 102.007 (c).

F. Discuss, consider, and act on a Resolution approving the first amendment to the fire protection agreement with East Wise Fire Rescue.

Motion: Councilman Richard Greene

Second: Councilwoman Sarah Adams

Vote: All in Favor

Result: Council approved a Resolution approving the first amendment to the fire protection agreement with East Wise Fire Rescue.

G. Discuss, consider, and act on a Resolution approving the first amendment to the fire protection and emergency medical services agreement with Justin Community Volunteer Fire Department.

Motion: Councilwoman Sarah Adams

Second: Councilman Richard Greene

Vote: All in Favor

Result: Council approved a Resolution approving the first amendment to the fire protection and emergency medical services agreement with Justin Community Volunteer Fire Department.

8. Executive Session: Recess to Executive Session to discuss matters relating to real property pursuant to §551.072, Texas Government Code; deliberation of economic development negotiations pursuant to §551.087, Texas Government Code; discuss personnel matters pursuant to §551.074, Texas Government Code; discuss IT network or critical infrastructure security pursuant to §551.089, Texas Government Code; and to consult with the City Attorney pursuant to §551.071, Texas Government Code. The Council may go into closed session at any time when permitted by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code or Chapter 418, Texas Tax Code. Before going into closed session, a quorum of the Council must be present, the meeting must be convened as an open meeting pursuant to proper notice, the presiding officer must announce that a closed session will be held and must identify the sections of Chapter 551 or 418, Texas Government Code authorizing the closed session.

9. Return to Open Session: Discuss and take appropriate action, if any, resulting from the discussions conducted in Executive Session.

10. Mayor & Council Member Announcements: The City Council may hear or make reports of community interest provided no action is taken or discussed. Community interest items may include information regarding upcoming schedules of events, honorary recognitions, and announcements involving imminent public health and safety threats to the city. Any deliberation shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on an agenda for a subsequent meeting.

11. Adjournment

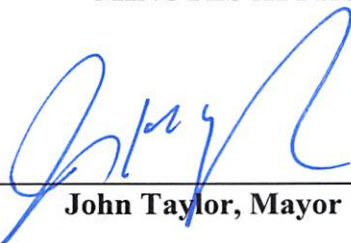
Motion: Councilwoman Sarah Adams

Second: Councilman Richard Greene

Vote: All in Favor

Result: Regular was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

MINUTES APPROVED ON THIS, THE 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023



John Taylor, Mayor



Brooke Boller, City Secretary