

Regular Session

Seagraves City Council

Minutes

May 11, 2020 - 6:00 P.M

Meeting held by means of videoconferencing a recording is available on request.

Guests: Renee Goodger, Calvin Sellers, Rick Vasquez

1) Call to Order-Announce Quorum: 06:06PM

2) **Pledge of Allegiance:** Dan Grife

3) **Invocation**: Ruben Valles

- 4) **Roll Call:** Shannon Wadzeck, Debra Middleton, Charles Evans, Cindy Durham, Kendra Sellers, Ruben Valles
- 5) **Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Alderman Durham motion to accept the minutes of 04-13-2020 Alderman Sellers Second. Motion Passed as Recorded. Alderman Durham: aye, Alderman Valles: aye, Alderman Wadzeck: aye, Alderman Middleton: aye, Alderman Sellers: aye
- 6) Variance Hearing: Armando Garcia. The Mayor asked the Director of Public Works if the questionnaires had been returned and what the results were. The director answered 11 of 20 were returned and the results were 8 against and 3 no opinion. None in favor. After a short discussion Alderman Middleton Motion to stand by the survey results and deny the variance. The motion passed as recorded. Alderman Wadzeck Second. Motion Passed as Recorded. Alderman Durham: aye, Alderman Valles: aye, Alderman Wadzeck: aye, Alderman Middleton: aye, Alderman Sellers: aye.
 - Alderman Valles was recognized for a comment. The alderman said that the city council must decide how to proceed with such issues in future. He recommended that the council act immediately to select a Board of Zoning that will be properly constituted and sworn to revisit the current ordinance and to recommend appropriate amendments and, to then appoint a board of Variance as required in the ordinance.
- 7) **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Real Property Acquisition:** The mayor explained the situation regarding the acquisition of the real property for the wastewater treatment plant. No final offer or contract has been executed. The status of the sale of real property located west of city hall was summarized and the mayor reported that none of the lots had yet been purchased. Alderman Durham reported that there was a problem with the title of one of the lots and that the real estate

agent was working on the issue and that she would visit with the agent the next day and advise the council of the status. A discussion on how the progress for financing the city hall followed. Alderman Middleton suggested that, as the wastewater project was not directly contingent on the completion of a community facility and, as the wastewater project would require council attention now, that the council focus its attention to the wastewater project and take up the community facility later. Alderman Middleton requested that the subject of the community facility be on the agenda of the next regular session and asked that Mr. John Perkins of the USDA be invited to advise. The secretary was instructed to assemble information regarding the request for qualifications to begin the process of engaging an architectural firm to consult on the project by that date. Director Goodger advised the council that it may be some time before the wastewater project could begin and, that many steps remained to be completed before ground could be broken.

- 8) **Resolution to Appropriate a \$4,099,000.00 Bond for Wastewater Improvements:** Alderman Durham motion to approve resolution 1942-8. Alderman Sellers second. Motion passed as recorded. Alderman Durham: aye, Alderman Valles: aye, Alderman Wadzeck: aye, Alderman Middleton: aye, Alderman Sellers: aye
- 9) **Resolution to Engage a Bond Counsel for the issuance of a \$4,099,000.00 Bond.** Alderman Middleton motion to approve resolution 20-05-11-A. Alderman Durham second. Motion passed as recorder. Alderman Durham: aye, Alderman Valles: aye, Alderman Wadzeck: aye, Alderman Middleton: aye, Alderman Sellers: aye
- 10) **Consent Agenda:** Alderman Durham asked for a status report on the unpaid utility shutoff fees. Alderman Valles asked for clarification regarding collection. Chief Vasquez reported on the evidence room. The Mayor complimented the chief for the progress in the operation of the department. Alderman Wadzeck asked when city hall would re-open. Alderman Wadzeck motion to accept the consent agenda. Alderman Durham second. Motion passed as recorded. Alderman Durham: aye, Alderman Valles: aye, Alderman Wadzeck: aye, Alderman Middleton: aye, Alderman Sellers: aye
- 11) **Public Comment:** None.
- 12) Set date and time for the next regular session: June 08, 2020 at 06:00PM via teleconference.
- 13) **Adjourn:** Alderman Wadzeck motion to adjourn. Alderman Middleton second. Meeting adjourned 07:40PM

	Charles Evans, Mayor
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City Secretary (Dan Grife)	