

**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCLEROY BLVD.
JULY 5, 2022**

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Todd Flippo
Mayor Pro-Tem	Valerie Junkersfeld
Councilmember	Nicky Lawson
Councilmember	Charles Tucker
Councilmember	Cindy Bighorse
Councilmember	Mary Copeland
City Attorney	Bryn Meredith
City Engineer	Trenton Tidwell, P.E.
City Manager	Gabe Reaume
Asst. City Manager	Lee Howell
Finance Director	Kim Quin
City Secretary	Janice England
Police Chief	Russell Ragsdale
Fire Chief	Doug Spears
Director of Public Works	Randy Newsom
Asst. Dir. of Public Works	Jarred Coursey
Director of Comm. & Eco. Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Director of Human Resources	Melanie McManus
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie
Police Officer	Brian Stewart
Recreation Services Manager	Vickie Weldon
Recreation Services Supervisor	Jason England
Recreation Services Coord.	Ashton Coker
Recreation Intern	Micah Amerson
Management Analyst	Abdoulie Jarju
Management Analyst	Ayoub Kahondogoro
Info. Technology Manager	Greg Clayton

Absent from the meeting:

Councilmember	Paul Felegy
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Visitors at the meeting:

Brack St. Clair	Kolene Dean
Dustin Shelfer	Colton Reasoner
Doug Goff	Honey Htet Htet
Samantha Javier	Steve Thompson

(1) Call to Order

Mayor Flippo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States

Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas

(2) Invocation

Mayor Flippo gave the invocation.

(3) Audience Participation

This item was covered on the video screen.

(4) Consent Agenda

a. Action regarding Minutes, June 21, 2022

b. Action regarding Minutes, June 28, 2022

c. Action regarding Cancellation of July 19, 2022 City Council Meeting

d. Action regarding Building Improvement Grant Agreement with Century 21 Alliance Properties (120 West McLeroy Blvd.)

Summary: On Tuesday, June 21, 2022, the Saginaw City Council heard information in Executive Session pertaining to the specifics of a Building Improvement Grant (BIG) Program application submitted in June 2022 by Century 21 Alliance Properties in regards to their property located at 120 West McLeroy Blvd. The City Council concurred in that session to award an amount not-to-exceed \$3,500 in reimbursable and matching dollars for the anticipated improvements as proposed on their application. The proposed agreement is the realization of that intention. Funds are available in Account 01-6142-13, Building Improvement Grants.

e. Action regarding Purchase of Generators for Public Works Offices and Jarvis Road Elevated Tank Storage

Summary: In the 2021-2022 Water/Wastewater Budget, two generators were approved for the Public Works Offices and the Jarvis Road Elevated Storage Tank. The addition of these two generators will correct the deficiencies in our Emergency Response Plan submitted to TCEQ. We are required to provide backup power at all of our water facilities. These new generators will satisfy that requirement. The low bid was from WHECO Electric who already provides our water control services (SCADA). The amount of the bid is \$100,348. A total of \$95,000 is budgeted in the Enterprise Capital Outlay Account (Account 05-7000-00). The remaining balance of \$5,348 will come from the Enterprise Fund Balance.

Mayor Flippo stated that he had received requests to pull Item 4c and 4e for discussion.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Items 4a, 4b, and 4d of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

The Council considered Item 4c, Cancellation of July 19, 2022 City Council meeting; and Item 4e, Action regarding Purchase of Generators for Public Works Offices and Jarvis Road Elevated Tank Storage.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve Items 4c and 4e of the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

(5) City Employee Recognition and Aquatic Center Update

Director of Community & Economic Development Rinehart gave an update on the Aquatic Center and a brief history of the impact of COVID-19 and the February 2021 Winter Storm on the facility itself as well as the staff. He expressed his appreciation to the staff for their efforts in preparing the facility and hiring the required staff for the Aquatic Center. The staff includes Recreation Services Manager Weldon, Recreation Services Supervisor England, Recreation Services Coordinator Coker, Pool Manager Blick, and Recreation Intern Amerson. He stated that the opening of the Aquatic Center required a team effort which also included the Public Works Staff. He expressed his appreciation for their assistance.

Asst. Director of Public Works Coursey recognized the members of the Public Works Staff that were involved in repairs and preparations for opening the Aquatic Center. The staff includes the following.

Daniel Franklin	Ray Hatton	Colton Reasoner
Dustin Shelfer	Ryan McElyea	Aaron Morgan
Juan Perez	Daylon Cervantez	Jacob Chestnut
Corey Smith	Doug Goff	Brenden Boatright
Jonathan Reames	Jeremy Matthews	Jeremy Cutler
John Reynolds	C.J. Ross	Wes Horton

(6) Recognition of Young Southeast Asian Leadership (YSEALI) Fellows

Ms. Honey Htet Htet and Ms. Samantha Javier gave a presentation regarding their participation in the Young Southeast Asian Leadership (YTSEALI) Fellows Program.

(7) Presentation of Service Pin to Councilmember Bighorse

Mayor Flipppo presented a service pin to Councilmember Bighorse in recognition of five years of service on the City Council.

- (8) Consideration and Action regarding Authorization of Expenditure for the Gambian Delegation to attend and provide Entertainment at the 2022 Train and Grain Festival; and Authorization for Expenditure for the Gambia Texas Association to attend and provide Entertainment at the 2022 Train and Grain Festival

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve the expenditure of \$15,000 from hotel occupancy taxes reserved for promotion of the arts for airfare and lodging for the Gambian Delegation to attend and provide entertainment at the 2022 Train and Grain Festival as well as for the Gambia Texas Association to attend and provide entertainment at the 2022 Train and Grain Festival. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

- (9) Consideration and Action regarding Professional Architectural Services Proposal by PGAL for the John Ed Keeter Building and the City Hall Renovation Concept Study

Motion was made by Councilmember Bighorse with a second by Councilmember Copeland to approve the Professional Architectural Services Proposal submitted by PGAL for the John Ed Keeter Building and the City Hall Renovation Concept Study. Motion carried unanimously. 5-1-0-1

For: Mayor Flipppo, Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

- (10) FY 2022-2023 Budget Workshop

Finance Director Quin gave a presentation regarding the Drainage Utility Fund, the Donations Fund, and the General Escrow Fund. She also explained upcoming dates on the Budget Calendar for the remainder of the FY 2022-2023 budget process.

- (11) Capital Improvements Plan Update

Mayor Flipppo explained that this item will be moved to the August 2, 2022 City Council Meeting.

- (12) Consideration and Action regarding Approval of Funds to replace Two Playground Structures and Fall Protection at Highland Station Park; and the Replacement of the Restroom Facility at Highland Station Park

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve funds to replace two playground structures and fall protection at Highland Station Park including the addition of a canopy; and approve the replacement of the restroom facility at Highland Station Park. Motion carried unanimously. 6-0-0-1

For: Mayor Flippo, Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld,
Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilmember Felegy

(Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld left the meeting at this time due to a Conflict of Interest regarding Item 13.)

(13) Executive Session

1 § 551.071. Texas Government Code. Consultation with Attorney. The City Council may convene in executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney on any legally posted agenda item, when the City Council seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items:

- a. Any Posted Item
- b. 400 S. Saginaw Blvd. & 405 S. Belmont St.

1 § 551.087. Texas Government Code. Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations. The City Council may convene in executive session to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described above, including:

- a. 400 S. Saginaw Blvd. & 405 S. Belmont St.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting recessed into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting back in Regular Session at 8:43 p.m.

(14) Adjournment

Motion was made by Councilmember Tucker with a second by Councilmember Lawson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 5-0-0-2

For: Mayor Flippo, Councilmembers Lawson, Tucker, Bighorse, and Copeland

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld and Councilmember Felegy

Mayor Flippo declared the City Council Meeting of July 5, 2022 adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary Janice England

Mayor Todd Flippo