

**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AND PUBLIC HEARING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCLEROY BLVD.
AUGUST 2, 2022**

Present at the meeting:

Mayor	Todd Flippo
Mayor Pro-Tem	Valerie Junkersfeld
Councilmember	Paul Felegy
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
Finance Manager	Jennifer Garrett
City Secretary	Janice England
Police Chief	Russell Ragsdale
Fire Chief	Doug Spears
Director of Public Works	Randy Newsom
Director of Human Resources	Melanie McManus
HR Generalist	Vicky Vega
Dir. of Comm. & Eco. Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie
Info. Technology Manager	Greg Clayton
Communications Manager	Pedro Zambrano
Police Officer	Bernal
Recreation Services Manager	Vickie Weldon
Recreation Services Supervisor	Jason England
Recreation Intern	Micah Amerson
Aquatic Center Coordinator	Jennifer Blick
Management Analyst	Salvador Gonzalez
Management Analyst	Ayoub Kahondogoro
Management Intern	Aabid Rajwani

Absent from the meeting:

None

Visitors at the meeting:

Brack St. Clair	Linda MacAhan
Mark Towns	Laura Presley

Kelly Stewart	John Peet
J.D. Peet Jr.	Alyssa Griesing
Camryn Simon	Emily Ramos
Fabian Palacios	Jannett Mendez
Jasmyne Hernandez	Oscar Arenas
Raquel Garcia	Travis Flippo
Adrian Duran	Geren Gathwright
Devon Motley	Elliott Weathers
Caden Thornton	Brady Hartnett
Lilah Norris	C.J. George
Tyler Snyder	Tanner Snyder
David Kurek	Braden Reese
Sebastian Arellano	Avery Preston
Hayden Edwards	Eli Dahl
Bennett Garmon	

(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

In the absence of Pastor Dennis Hudson, Pastor Mark Towns of the First Baptist Church gave the invocation.

(3) Audience Participation

This item was covered on the video screen.

(4) Consent Agenda

a. Action regarding Minutes, July 5, 2022

b. Action regarding First Amendment to Agreement to Provide Professional Services between the City of Saginaw and Randy Edwards

Summary: The proposed First Amendment to Agreement to Provide Professional Services between the City of Saginaw and Randy Edwards will amend the current agreement by increasing the monthly fee to \$6,050. There are no other changes to the existing agreement. Mr. Edwards conducts on-site inspections of active capital, development, and maintenance projects including streets, storm drainage, sanitary sewerage and water facilities and other public works projects as directed by the Director of Public Works or his designee. The agreement may be terminated at any time by either party by providing thirty days written notice. The financial impact will be the increase in the monthly fee from \$5,500 to \$6,050.

c. Action regarding Award of Bid for the Construction of the Saginaw Northwest Booster Pump Station

Summary: On July 12, 2022, sealed bids were received and opened for the construction of the Saginaw Northwest Booster Pump Station. A total of five bids were received. Kimley-Horn and Associates reviewed the lowest bidder's (Felix Construction) references and verified their bonding company is licensed in the State of Texas. The amount of their bid was \$1,278,000.

d. Action regarding Drainage Easement Maintenance Agreement with UCD Saginaw LP

Summary: The proposed Drainage Easement Maintenance Agreement with UCD Saginaw LP addresses maintenance of

drainage areas that are being left in their natural state. The agreement requires a maintenance agreement and also makes the property owner responsible for the maintenance. Additionally, the agreement gives the City the ability to take action if the property owner fails to maintain the easement. This property is located at the southwest corner of E. Bailey-Boswell Road and Blue Mound Road.

Mayor Flippo stated that he had received requests to pull Items 4b, 4c, and 4d from the Consent Agenda.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Item 4a of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The Council considered Item 4b, Action regarding First Amendment to Agreement to Provide Professional Services between the City of Saginaw and Randy Edwards

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Item 4b of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The Council considered Item 4c, Action regarding Award of Bid for the Construction of the Saginaw Northwest Booster Pump Station. The estimated cost for the project was discussed as well as whether the bid was above the estimated amount.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bighorse with a second by Councilmember Lawson to table Item 4c of the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Note: Item 4c was considered again following Item 5.

The Council considered Item 4d, Action regarding Drainage Easement Maintenance Agreement with UCD Saginaw LP.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Item 4d of the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

(5) Recognition of Summer Apprentice Program Participants

Director of Human Resources McManus updated the Council on the Summer Apprentice Program. The participants in the program were recognized. They are listed below.

Alyssa Griesing	Camryn Simon	Emily Ramos
Fabian Palacios	Jannett Mendez	Jasmyne Hernandez
Oscar Arenas	Raquel Garcia	Micah Amerson

Additional information regarding Item 4c was available so the Council returned to Item 4c at this time.

4c. Action regarding Award of Bid for the Construction of the Saginaw Northwest Booster Pump Station

Director of Public Works Newsom explained that the low bid of \$1,278,000 is below the estimated amount of \$1,400,000 for this project.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve Item 4c of the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

(6) Consideration and Action regarding Business Recognition Program/Award-A Keep Saginaw Beautiful Committee Program

Director of Community and Economic Development Rinehart briefly explained the Business Recognition Program developed by the Keep Saginaw Beautiful Committee. He stated that a resident recently nominated “Saginaw Sonic Drive In” in the Best Improved Category for their recent updates, landscaping, and holiday decorating. The Keep Saginaw Beautiful Committee considered the nomination at their July 18th meeting and voted to award “Best Improved” to the “Saginaw Sonic Drive In”.

At this point Item 7 was skipped to allow time for the Aquatic Center Personnel to arrive at the meeting.

(8) Aquatic Center Survey Presentation

Recreation Intern Micah Amerson gave a presentation and overview of the Aquatic Center Survey that he developed. He explained the contents of the survey and the results. He added that the survey was in conjunction with his summer internship at the Recreation Center and a project for his college recreation degree program.

(7) Staff Recognition – Saginaw Aquatic Center Personnel

Director of Community and Economic Development Rinehart recognized the staff of the Saginaw Aquatic Center. He explained the difficulties the staff encountered in staffing and opening the aquatic center. He commended Aquatic Center Coordinator Jennifer Blick for her efforts in operating the center and adding various programs including sensory swim sessions for residents with special needs. The staff present at the meeting are listed below.

Jennifer Blick	Adrian Duran	Geren Gathwright	Devon Motley
Elliot Weathers	Caden Thornton	Brady Hartnett	Lilah Norris
C.J. George	Tyler Snyder	Tanner Snyder	David Kurek
Braden Reese	Sebastian Arellano	Avery Preston	Hayden Edwards
Eli Dahl	Bennett Garmon	Micah Amerson	Vickie Weldon
Jason England			

(9) PUBLIC HEARING – Consideration and Action regarding Replat of Burlington Industrial District No. 2 Addition, Lot 1R, Block 1, being 96.125 acres out of the E. Meredith Survey, Abstract 1081

Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing for this item opened at 6:55 p.m. Mr. Joe LaCroix of Baird, Hampton and Brown, representing the property owner, briefly explained the requested replat. The Planning and Zoning Commission considered the replat at their meeting on July 12, 2022 and voted to recommend approval to the City Council. Mayor Flippo called for public input. There was none. Mayor Flippo declared the public hearing closed at 6:57 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve the replat of Burlington Industrial District No. 2 Addition, Lot 1R, Block 1 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- (10) Consideration and Action regarding Ordinance No. 2022-09, amending Chapter 6, “Animals”, of the Saginaw City Code by amending Section 6-1, which establishes an Animal Shelter Advisory Committee and provides for the Purposes and Membership of the Committee

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to approve Ordinance No. 2022-09 with the addition of wording that the committee will develop a budget and appoint a treasurer. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- (11) Consideration and Action regarding Ordinance No. 2022-10, amending Ordinance No. 2021-04, Codified as Saginaw City Code Chapter 2 Administration, Article V Boards and Commissions, by amending Section 2-131, governing the Diversity & Inclusion Committee of the City

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to approve Ordinance No. 2022-10 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- (12) Consideration and Action regarding Resolution No. 2022-17, Declaring intention to reimburse an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for certain capital expenditures with proceeds from debt

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to approve Resolution No. 2022-17 declaring intention to reimburse an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for certain capital expenditures with proceeds from debt. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- (13) Consideration and Action regarding Resolution No. 2022-18, authorizing an internal borrowing between the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund for the advanced funding of playground improvements at Highland Station Park

Motion was made by Councilmember Bighorse with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to approve Resolution No. 2022-18 authorizing an internal borrowing between the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund for the advanced funding of playground equipment. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- (14) Capital Improvements Plan Update

City Engineer Tidwell updated the Council regarding the Capital Improvements Plan including water, wastewater, drainage, and community facilities.

- (15) Presentation of Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Finance Director Quin presented the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023. She explained the proposed budget is based on the proposed tax rate of .513719 per \$100 of valuation. The current tax rate is .479516 per \$100 of valuation. Property values are set by the Tarrant Appraisal District. She added that a public hearing on the proposed budget will be held on August 22, 2022.

- (16) Consideration and Action regarding Proposed FY2022-2023 Tax Rate and Notice of Public Hearing

Finance Director Quin explained that the purpose of this item is to satisfy the Truth-in-Taxation requirements. She explained that, in order to comply with the Truth-in-Taxation requirements, the City Council must take a record vote on the proposed tax rate. She added that the proposed rate and record vote will be published in the newspaper and posted on the City's website. The proposed tax rate as discussed during Item 15 and stated in the notice is \$0.513719. The public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on August 22, 2022.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve the proposed FY2022-2023 Tax Rate and notice of public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

(17) Discussion of Transportation for Senior Citizens

Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld expressed her concern regarding the lack of transportation for senior citizens in the City. There was some discussion of the City's current agreement with Tarrant County Transportation Services for senior citizens that offers transportation two days each week at a reduced rate. The Council concurred to discuss this item further at a future meeting.

(18) 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.
- b. 604 S. Saginaw Blvd.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting recessed into Executive Session at 9:51 p.m.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting back in Regular Session at 10:03 p.m.

(19) Adjournment

Motion was made by Councilmember Felegy with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. 7-0-0-0

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

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Flippo declared the City Council Meeting of August 2, 2022 adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary Janice England

Mayor Todd Flippo