

**CITY OF SAGINAW
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE SAGINAW CITY HALL
333 WEST MCLEROY BLVD.
MARCH 21, 2023**

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 Comm. & Eco Dev.	Keith Rinehart
Director of Human Resources	Melanie McManus
Library Director	Ellen Ritchie
Chief Building Official	Larry Little
Environmental/Drainage Mgr.	Matt Regan
Communications Manager	Pedro Zambrano
Management Analyst	Salvador Gonzalez
Police Officer	Patrick Montgomery

Absent from the meeting:

None

Visitors at the meeting:

Brack St. Clair	Rick Russell
Mark Towns	Nathan Towns
Ken Simpson	Lyndsi Price
Michael Moates	Ronnie Horton
Clark Kimball	Mark McLiney
Kelly Henderson	

(1) Call to Order

Mayor Flipppo 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

Dr. Mark Towns, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

(3) Audience Participation

This item was covered on the video screen.

(4) a. Action regarding Minutes, March 7, 2023

b. Action regarding Joint Election Agreement with Tarrant County for Election Services for May 6, 2023 General Election and Special Election.

Summary: The proposed agreement and contract with Tarrant County is for election services for the May 6, 2023 General Election and Special Election. As in prior years, Tarrant County Elections Administration will provide the services, personnel, and equipment for early voting as well as voting on Election Day. Early voting will be held at multiple Vote Centers throughout Tarrant County from April 24th through May 2nd. The Vote Center located in Saginaw for early voting will be the Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD Annex, Building 1 (1200 Old Decatur Rd.). Voting on Election Day will also be held at multiple Vote Centers throughout Tarrant County. The Vote Centers located in Saginaw for Election Day Voting will be the John Ed Keeter Public Library and the Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD Annex, Building 1. The estimated financial impact for election services is \$10,877.71 including a deposit of \$8,160.00. A total of \$25,000 is included in the General Administrative Budget (Account 01-5000-02, Election Expenses) for election expenses.

c. Action regarding Purchase of Police Cars-Ordered Dec. 2021

Summary: The Police Department was approved to purchase four (4) replacement Tahoe's in December of 2021. Due to computer chip shortages, police package units were not built in adequate quantities resulting in a shortage of police rated Tahoe's. Our vendor has notified us that units are now available. The pricing for these units has increased by roughly \$5,700 per unit, or a total of \$22,800. The government pricing offered in December of 2021 was not a locked price bid, meaning that the actual cost per unit could change depending on the cost to manufacture the unit at the time it was built. The financial impact will be four (4) police Tahoe's at \$42,575 each plus related equipment estimated to be \$100,600. Equipment has also increased in price due to inflation. The purchase of vehicles was approved in the FY21/22 budget in the amount of \$239,760. Funding is provided through the Crime Control Prevention District which is a sales tax based revenue the City collects that specifically funds police related equipment and officers. There are funds available to cover the increased amount.

d. Action regarding Retail Retention, Recruitment and Development Services Proposal with the Retail Coach

Summary: In March 2020, the City entered into a contract with The Retail Coach to provide assistance with Retail Retention, Recruitment, and Development Services. It was a one year agreement with the option to renew for up to two (2) additional one year periods. While considering the Pandemic our country experienced that began in 2020, significant progress has been made with the recruitment of potential commercial retail and restaurants. This item is proposing to renew the agreement for one (1) additional year. The financial impact is \$20,000 plus reimbursable expenses. This expenditure is budgeted within the Economic Development Department Budget.

e. Action regarding Resolution No. 2023-06, Participation in Texas SmartBuy Membership Program

Summary: Recently the Comptroller's Office made the decision that driving while intoxicated blood draw test kits must now be purchased through their website called SmartBuy. SmartBuy is a membership-based site that costs \$100 annually. A resolution is required to participate and become a member. The tests from SmartBuy are the only tests approved for use by the Texas

Department of Public Safety. There is no cost to use the tests. Resolution No. 2023-06 approves the City's participation in the Texas SmartBuy Membership Program.

f. Action regarding Resolution No. 2023-07, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Global Opioid Settlement Documents relating to Allergan, Walmart, CVS, and Walgreens

Summary: Resolution No. 2023-07 authorizes the City Manager to execute Global Opioid Settlement Documents relating to Allergan, Walmart, CVS, and Walgreens. A similar resolution was adopted in 2021 that related to McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergan Corporation, and Johnson & Johnson as Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

g. Action regarding East Cement Creek Channel Reconstruction Phase 1-Project Extension (Change Order)

Summary: The proposed East Cement Creek Channel Reconstruction Phase 1-Project Extension will add approximately 200 linear feet of channel to the project. By approving this change order, the City will save on mobilization and bidding costs since the contractor is still on site. The channel reconstruction will continue without any delays. The financial impact will be \$348,769.50. This amount is within the original budgeted amount of \$2,270,000 for the East Cement Creek Drainage Project (Drainage Utility Fund Budget, Account 14-7000-00, Capital Outlay/Special Request).

Councilmember Bighorse requested that Items 4d and 4f be removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Items 4a, 4b, 4c, 4e, and 4g 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 4d, Action regarding Retail Retention, Recruitment and Development Services Proposal with the Retail Coach.

The Council considered Item 4f, Action regarding Resolution No. 2023-07, Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Global Opioid Settlement Documents relating to Allergan, Walmart, CVS, and Walgreens

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Bighorse to approve Item 4d and Item 4f 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

(5) Proclamation—Child Abuse Prevention Month

Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld read a proclamation declaring the month of April to be Child Abuse Prevention Month, and urging all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect. Ms. Lyndsi Price, a representative of the Alliance for Children, gave a brief presentation about the organization. Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld presented the proclamation to Ms. Price.

(6) Presentation of the 2022 Economic Excellence Award from the Texas Economic Development Council

Director of Community & Economic Development Rinehart stated that the Texas Economic Development Council has recognized the City of Saginaw with the 2022 Economic Excellence Award. The award provides recognition to economic development organizations that meet certain criteria. Saginaw is one of a total of fifty-four (54) organizations across the State of Texas to receive the award for 2022. Mayor Flippo presented the award to Director of Community & Economic Development Keith Rinehart.

(7) Medstar Presentation – State of EMS and Medstar

MedStar Chief Executive Officer Ken Simpson gave a presentation of the current state of emergency medical services locally and across the country.

(8) Animal Adoption Appreciation

Mr. Michael Moates addressed the Council regarding the adoption of a dog from Saginaw Animal Services. He introduced his dog, Daisy, and expressed his appreciation to the staff for their assistance.

(9) Consideration and Action regarding Award of Contract for 2023 Annual Mowing Contract (Finish Mowing/ Grounds Maintenance of City Facilities and Right-of-Ways; and Finish Mowing/Grounds Maintenance of City Parks)

Director of Public Works Newsom stated that bids were opened on March 14, 2023. The lowest responsive bidder for both mowing contracts was SRH Landscapes (City Facilities and Right-of-Ways: Cycle A - \$5,165 per cycle and Cycle B - \$1,720 per cycle; and Parks - \$4,705 per cycle). He recommended award of the contracts to SRH Landscapes.

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawson with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld to award the contracts for Finish Mowing/Grounds Maintenance of City Facilities and Right-of-Ways, and Finish Mowing/Grounds Maintenance of City Parks to SRH Landscapes. 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 on Ordinance No. 2023-12 authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Saginaw, Texas General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security and payment of said Bonds; approving the Official Statement; providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker to approve Resolution No. 2023-12 authorizing the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023 to Key Banc Capital Markets with the interest rate of 3.709%. 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

- (11) Consideration and Action regarding Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission on Final Plat for 18.532 acres out of Block A, Lot 1, Beltmill Villas, Benjamin Thomas Survey, Abstract 1497, City of Saginaw, Tarrant County, Texas

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Lawson to table this item until the April 4th City Council 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

- (12) Consideration and Action regarding Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission on Site Plan for 18.532 acres out of Block A, Lot 1, Beltmill Villas, Benjamin Thomas Survey, Abstract 1497, City of Saginaw, Tarrant County, Texas

Motion was made by Councilmember Copeland with a second by Councilmember Felegy to approve the site plan for 18.532 acres out of Block A, Lot 1, Beltmill Villas 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

(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

1 § 551.074. Texas Government Code. Personnel Matters. The City Council may convene in executive session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, including deliberation regarding the following officers or employees:

- a. City Manager Compensation

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting recessed into Executive Session at 7:27 p.m.

Mayor Flippo declared the meeting back in Regular Session at 7:56 p.m.

(14) Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Junkersfeld with a second by Councilmember Tucker 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 March 21, 2023 adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary Janice England

Mayor Todd Flippo