

Minutes

City Council – Regular City Council Meeting

CITY OF SIMONTON

August 27, 2024

This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the City Council – Regular Meeting of the Simonton City Council held on August 27, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order at 7:25 p.m.**

A quorum was present with the following City Council Members in attendance:

Laurie Boudreaux, Kelli Matula, Courtney Cox, Faith Haley, Justin Boudreau, and Burns Turner

City Staff present:

City Secretary Nanci Mohr

Olson and Olson Attorney Philip Boedeker

Public Present:

Kristi Smith, Dan McJunkin, Kenneth Haley and LLaranace Turner

2. **Invocation and Pledge**

Mayor Boudreaux gave the invocation.

Mayor Boudreaux led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Public Comments**

Kristi Smith stated that the necessary roadwork is not fiscally possible with a proposed 0.21 ad valorem tax rate.

4. **Consider and take action on the Consent Agenda**

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule occurs when a Council Member requests one or more items removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

- a. Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2024 Special Meeting.
- b. Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2024 Special Meeting.
- c. Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2024 Regular Meeting.
- d. Council Report, June 2024.
- e. Payment Report, June 2024.
- f. Year-to-Date Revenue and Expense Report.

Motion by Council Member /Pro Tem Courtney Cox to approve the outstanding meeting minutes (a-c) above, as well as the Year-to-Date Revenue and Expense Report (f). Seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau.

Ayes: Five.

Noes: None.

Motion approved unanimously.

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

A discussion of building improvements versus capital improvements ensued. Council Member Faith Haley requested payroll information for City finance employee Julie Watts.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Matula to approve the Council Report (d). Seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau.

Ayes: Five.

Noes: None.

Motion approved unanimously.

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

A lengthy discussion of the Payment Report (e) followed. Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney Cox requested revisions to the report.

Motion by Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney Cox to table the Payment Report pending revisions. Seconded by Council Member Faith Haley.

Ayes: Five.

Noes: None.

Motion approved unanimously.

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux

5. **New Business**

- c. Consider and take action on Preliminary Plat Submittal for Lamar Consolidated ISD Campus Eight West.

LLarance Turner of Kaluza Consulting Engineers and Surveys provided a detailed report of the proposed Lamar CISD plat, including placement of detention ponds, rights-of-way and the wastewater location in Fulshear's extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ).

Motion by Council Member Burns Turner to approve the plat submitted by Lamar Consolidated ISD. Seconded by Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney Cox.

Ayes: Five.

Noes: None.

Motion approved unanimously.

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux

- a. Receive Budget Update Report.

Mayor Boudreaux stated that she is aware that zoning is a priority and roadwork a secondary priority. Mayor Boudreaux also notified the City Council that both City of Simonton EDC A and EDC B have approved their proposed budgets.

- b. Consider and Take Action on Resolution No. 2024-08 – A Resolution Of The City Of Simonton, Texas, Acknowledging Receipt Of Certified Taxable Value And Related Information; Adopting A Proposed Not-To-Exceed Tax Rate; Scheduling A Public Hearing For Adoption Of Proposed Tax Rate; And Containing Related Findings And Provisions.

A brief discussion followed regarding the proposed "not to exceed" proposed tax rate and that Resolution No. 2024-08 would be revised to reflect same.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Matula to approve Resolution 2024-08. Seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau. A roll-call vote was taken as follows:

Council Member Kelli Matula: For
Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney Cox: For
Council Member Faith Haley: For
Council Member Justin Boudreau: For
Council Member Burns Turner: For
Motion approved unanimously.
Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux

c. Receive Road Repair Report.

Mayor Boudreaux stated that the culverts under Wagon Road at the outfall drainage are failing, and they may need to be repaired prior to grant funds being awarded.

6. Adjourn to Executive Session

Section 551.071 - Consultation with Legal Counsel

The Executive Session was not held as there were no pending items to discuss with the City Attorney.

7. Reports

- a. *EDC A Board and EDC B Board Updates*
- b. *Keep Simonton Beautiful Committee Updates*
- c. *Mayor*
- d. *City Staff*
- e. *City Council*

Mayor Boudreaux provided building updates including the severed waterline and painting completion. Mayor Boudreaux provided an update on Longhorn Road: E. Longhorn has been regraded and a permanent barricade is to be installed on W. Longhorn this week.

Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney stated that she would like to receive adjusted EDC A and EDB budgets, as well as said budgets being presented to City Council. Mayor Boudreaux and City Attorney Philip Boedeker stated that the EDC budgets do not require presentation as those budgets are included in City Council's master budget. A lengthy discussion ensued. Council Member/Pro Tem Courtney also stated that she would like trash services to be placed on a request for proposal/bid. Mayor Boudreaux reiterated several times that trash services was not on tonight's agenda and could not be discussed further.

Council Member Kelli Matula would like to address missing stop signs at a future City Council meeting.

10. Next City Council Meeting is on September 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

Mayor Boudreaux adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:22 p.m. without objection.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Boudreaux

Mayor Laurie Boudreaux

Nanci Mohr

Nanci Mohr, City Secretary

