

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
1025 CAMPBELL ROAD, HOUSTON, TEXAS**

1. CALL THE ROLL AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM IS PRESENT

With a quorum of the Council Members present, the Regular Meeting of the Spring Valley Village City Council was called to order by Mayor Vajdos at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor Marcus Vajdos

Mayor Pro Tem Allen Carpenter

Council Member Bo Bothe

Council Member David Dominy

Council Member Joy McCormack

Members Absent:

Council Member Tom Donaho

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Zachary Meadows, Director of Community Development

Roxanne Benitez, City Secretary

Michelle Yi, City Treasurer

Arthur Faiello, Director of Public Works

Matthew Hitt, Assistant to the City Administrator

Taryn Modisette, Administrative Services Coordinator

Loren Smith, City Attorney

Loyd Evans, Chief of Police (by phone conference)

Mark Schulze, Police Captain

3. PROCLAMATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / SWEARING-IN

Mayor Vajdos welcomed two Boy Scouts from Troop 642 who were in attendance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, any person with City-related business may speak to the Council. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate. **Comments from the public should be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per individual speaker.**

4.1 Peggy Schwabenland, who lives at 8445 Merlin Drive, spoke regarding the leash laws and requested that the laws be enforced.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under consent agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

5.1 Minutes for Regular Called City Council Meeting on November 16, 2021

- 5.2 Resolution 21-XX – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, TO HOUSE, SUPPORT, MAINTAIN, AND CONFINE MUNICIPAL PRISONERS IN HARRIS COUNTY JAILS; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE RENEWAL BY THE MAYOR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 5.3 Approval of Pay Estimate No. 7 for Loeser, Traweek, Lone Star, West Tex Pavement & Utility Improvements Project to Conrad Construction Co., LTD. of \$202,865.67.

Council Member Carpenter made a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda, and Council Member Dominy seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

6. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** November 2021 Police Department Staff Report (Chief Evans):

Captain Schulze provided the report on behalf of Chief Evans.

1. Number of Calls for Service – 2, 472
2. Number of Traffic Violations – 1,805

7. **UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING:** Activities of the Village Fire Department Commissioners Meeting on November 17, 2021 and Any Special Meetings That May Have Occurred since November 17, 2021. (Mayor Pro-Tem Carpenter / Council Member Bothe)

Mayor Pro Tem Carpenter advised that the Village Fire Department held their Open House for the building renovation on December 9. He also advised that the event was well attended and building tours were provided. He also advised that the bay doors were still on backorder. Mayor Pro Tem Carpenter advised that the Board would discuss if the Fire Department should continue paying \$10,000 to fund a second ambulance. He also advised that the second ambulance is currently used during the day as the Village Fire Department does not receive ambulance assistance from the Houston Fire Department.

8. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Request for Rate Modification by Waste Corporation of America (“WCA”) Effective January 2022.

Suzanne Haboush, Marjorie West, and Kevin Toussant with WCA, appeared before Council. Ms. Haboush advised that following the previous Council meeting, the service concerns were discussed with the WCA/GFL team. She also advised that there were staffing issues that have now been rectified. Ms. Haboush discussed that they believe WCA currently has a 99.9% success rate in resolving customer service issues and that all future issues would be addressed as they arise. After a brief discussion, Council Member Dominy made a motion to approve the rate modification request made by Waste Corporation of America (WCA), and Council Member McCormack seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

9. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number 2021-XX - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF CHARGES AND FEES FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH, AND RECYCLABLES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

Mayor Vajdos read the Ordinance by caption only. Council Member Bothe made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-21, and Council Member Dominy seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

10. **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number 2021-XX – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS TO AMEND SUBSECTION 02.19, SOLAR PANELS, OF SECTION 5, BUILDING AND USE RESTRICTIONS IN DWELLING DISTRICT “A”; OF EXHIBIT A, ZONING REGULATIONS, OF CHAPTER 12, PLANNING AND ZONING, TO ALTER THE REGULATIONS OF BOTH ROOF MOUNTED AND GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SENATE BILL 398 REGARDING MUNICIPAL REGULATION SOLAR PANELS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 PER DAY WITH EACH DAY CONSTITUTING A NEW VIOLATION.

Mayor Vajdos opened the Public Hearing at 6:20 p.m.

- A. Presentation of Proposed Ordinance by City Staff

City Attorney Loren Smith advised that the amendments reflect changes made by the Legislature in the last session.

- B. Those In Favor

None.

- C. Those Opposed

None.

- D. Adjourn Public Hearing

Mayor Vajdos adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:23 p.m.

11. **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number 2021-XX – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY VILLAGE, TEXAS TO AMEND SUBSECTION 02.19, SOLAR PANELS, OF SECTION 5, BUILDING AND USE RESTRICTIONS IN DWELLING DISTRICT “A”; OF EXHIBIT A, ZONING REGULATIONS, OF CHAPTER 12, PLANNING AND ZONING, TO ALTER THE REGULATIONS OF BOTH ROOF MOUNTED AND GROUND MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SENATE BILL 398 REGARDING MUNICIPAL REGULATION SOLAR PANELS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 PER DAY WITH EACH DAY CONSTITUTING A NEW VIOLATION.

Mayor Vajdos read the Ordinance by caption only. Council Member Dominy made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-22, and Council Member McCormack seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

18. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING: Briefing by City Staff:

1. Status of New Production Well

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that a walk through was done on December 9 and went well. He also advised that they were waiting for W.W. Payton to submit the final pay application and as-built drawings.

2. Status of Loeser, Traweek, Lone Star and W. Tex Paving and Utility Improvements Project

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that project was progressing, and added that the sanitary sewer and pavement were completed for Lone Star and Traweek.

3. Status of Replacement of Ground Storage Tank #2

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that the project was moving ahead quickly and was 90% complete. He also advised that the ring wall inspection had been completed and went well.

4. Status of Bingle Road Road Diet

Director of Public Works Arthur Faiello advised that the City of Houston postponed the anticipated project start date for some time after the New Year.

5. Status of Installation of Flock License Plate Readers

Assistant to the City Administrator Matthew Hitt advised that five right-of-way permits were approved in November. Captain Mark Schulze advised that notices were sent to affected residents, and, in response, the City received some inquiries on how the cameras would function. Chief Loyd Evans advised that the devices strictly take photographs of license plates and run the numbers in the system for cases matching that criteria. Chief Evans also advised that a presentation would be provided after the devices were installed.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m., and Council Member Bothe seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Signed:

Marcus Vajdos
Mayor

Attest:

Roxanne Benitez
Roxanne Benitez, TRMC, CPM, CMCC
City Secretary