



THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ANGLETON CITY COUNCIL IN THE ORDER THEY OCCURRED DURING THE MEETING. THE CITY COUNCIL OF ANGLETON, TEXAS CONVENED IN A MEETING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Wright called the Council Meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT

Mayor John Wright
Mayor Pro-Tem Travis Townsend
Council Member Cecil Booth
Council Member Terry Roberts
Council Member Tanner Sartin
Council Member Christiene Daniel

City Manager Chris Whittaker
City Secretary Michelle Perez

ABSENT

City Attorney Judith El Masri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Council Member Booth led the invocation.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS CITY COUNCIL

Barbara Simmons, Angleton resident, addressed Council and thanked them and staff for helping with the Townhall meeting held in her home on July 30, 2024.

Jason Lewis, Angleton resident, addressed Council and spoke regarding the water quality after the storm.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment No. 1 for the Engineering Services contract for the Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Method of Distribution (MOD) Program Contract Number 24-0650943-E535.

Upon a motion by Council Member Roberts and seconded by Council Member Booth, Council approved Consent Agenda Item No. 1. Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment No. 1 for the Engineering Services contract for the Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Method of Distribution (MOD) Program Contract Number 24-0650943-E535. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Discussion and possible action to approve the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 audit report.

Stephanie Harris with CROWE Auditors, formally a part of Belt Harris Pechacek, addressed Council and gave a report on the draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 audit report.

Mayor Wright asked if there is a trend with other surrounding cities with a low fund balance that have had the same impact with disaster storms. Ms. Harris stated most of the city's numbers are usually 25% or more benchmark. Mayor asked about the timing of the approval of the audit. Ms. Harris stated that the timing depends on the city's ability to close out books and records, however, the city will be current at the end of the month.

Mayor Pro-Tem Townsend asked for a timeline of when most cities have their books closed out. Ms. Harris stated generally 60 to 90 days of year end.

Mayor Wright asked if the budget amount was closer in the mid-year adjustment. Ms. Harris stated that it is still a deficiency that was reported on this year.

Upon a motion by Council Member Sartin and seconded by Council Member Daniel, Council approved the acceptance of the draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 audit report subject to any changes. The motion passed on a 5-1 vote with Council Member Booth opposed.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve HDR in the amount of \$28,600, to prepare and submit the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Benefit Cost Analysis on the Henderson Roadway Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) application.

John Peterson with HDR, addressed Council and stated that the City has received the Henderson Roadway score from Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) for the Transportation Improvement Program application recently submitted. The minimum score is 50 and the Henderson Roadway Project scored 57. HGAC requested the City create and submit a Benefit Cost Analysis for this project by August 23rd. Council discussed moving forward with the grant or waiting three to four years to submit the applications to have a higher score.

Upon a motion by Council Member Sartin and seconded by Council Member Roberts, Council approved HDR in the amount of \$28,600 to prepare and submit the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Benefit Cost Analysis on the Henderson Roadway Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) application. To be funded from multiple department general ledger accounts. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 20240813-004 setting the proposed 2024 tax rate and setting the date(s) and time(s) for the required public hearing(s) for the 2024 Proposed Tax Rate and the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget.

Philip Conner, Director of Finance presented the agenda item and recommended the de minimis tax rate to build the fund balance.

Mayor Wright stated that he will stick with the no new revenue rate.

Mr. Conner stated that the current tax rate is .523013.

Council moved to agenda item No. 5.

5. Discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 20240813-005 authorizing Publication of Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation; and approving other matters incidental thereto.

Chris Whittaker, City Manager, introduced the agenda item and recommended postponing the agenda item.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Townsend and seconded by Council Member Roberts, Council *Tabled* Resolution No. 20240813-005 Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intention to Issue Certificates of Obligation; and approving other matters incidental thereto. To be brought back to Council within the next 30 days. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

6. Discussion and possible action on Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget with city staff.

The following departments presented their budget requests to the City Council: 1. Police Department; 2. Public Works; 3. Human Resources; 4. Development Services; 5. Emergency Management; 6. Communications/Marketing; 7. Utility Billing; 8. City Secretary; and 9. Information Technology.

Mayor Wright recessed the meeting at 8:14 P.M. and resumed at 8:25 P.M.

Council moved back to agenda item No. 4.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 20240813-004 setting the proposed 2024 tax rate and setting the date(s) and time(s) for the required public hearing(s) for the 2024 Proposed Tax Rate and the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget. (Part 2 of 2)]

Chris Whitaker, City Manager, discussed the fund balance and a 75 percent Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) reimbursement for the storms.

Mr. Conner recommended Council to table this item.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Townsend and seconded by Council Member Roberts, Council *tabled* Resolution No. 20240813-004 setting the proposed 2024 tax rate and setting the date(s) and time(s) for the required public hearing(s) for the 2024 Proposed Tax Rate and the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council Member Booth proposed that the city goes bare minimum considering the financial stress the city is currently under.

Mayor Wright stated that the city needs to do a better job with spending according to the audit and fiscal year reports.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 P.M.

These minutes were approved by Angleton City Council on this the 22nd day of October 2024.

CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS

John Wright
Mayor

ATTEST

Michelle Perez, TRMC
City Secretary