

CITY OF BAY CITY
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**COUNCIL
CHAMBERS | 1901
5th Street**

City Council Workshop

4:30 PM

**1901 5TH STREET
BAY CITY TX, 77414**



Mayor

Robert K. Nelson

Councilman

Blayne Finlay

Mayor Pro Tem

Jim Folse

Councilman

Bradley Westmoreland

Councilwoman

Becca Sitz

Councilwoman

Floyce Brown

Through a united and collaborative effort, we seek to grow the City of Bay City with a diverse culture that is proud to call Bay City home. We envision a thriving family-centered community where citizens are involved in the future development of our city. We desire our citizens to work, play, worship and shop in the community in which we live. Visitors are welcomed and encouraged to enjoy the friendly environment and amenities the citizens and business owners have created together.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert K. Nelson at 4:33 pm.

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Quorum certified.

PRESENT

Mayor Robert K. Nelson
Councilwoman Floyce Brown
Mayor Pro Tem Jim Folse
Councilwoman Becca Sitz
Councilman Blayne Finlay

ABSENT

Councilman Brad Westmoreland

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL

- 1. Discuss plan for Public Works to have drainage reviewed prior to project being submitted to Drainage District #1.**

Jessica Russell, Executive Director of Bay City Community Development Commission, stated that Bay City is doing very well with developing coming in but the part of processes for developers is missing. The Drainage District approval is a hold up. Ms. Russell requested direction and authority to BCCDC and Public Works build an ordinance for drainage and so we can take on task. We have simplified our processes, we need to scrutinize what comes in for sustainable growth. We will ask developers what problems they are having. We will go out for RFP for engineers specific for drainage who will have the city as priority. Request authority to ask the Drainage District to edit their requirements from one acre to two acres. Discussed approval time limits, putting together a team, and then take to drainage district and negotiate.

- 2. Presentation and discussion regarding arsenic.**

Jeremy Gaston, Garver Engineering, provided a presentation regarding the arsenic removal study and summary of findings. Shawna Burkhart asked about scrubbing the well and Mr. Gaston stated the object is to identify the zone of the well and is not approved by TCEQ as a viable technology and the city would have to negotiate with TCEQ. Discussions continued regarding blending. John Mercer, Lynn Engineering, asked if Council has considered drilling new wells and considered the age of the problem wells.

3. Discuss an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project.

Dan Olson, Garver Engineering, presented Council with updates on Waste Water Treatment Plant projects, why cost have increased and adjustments made to the plans. There were discussions regarding WIFIA funding and working on letter of interest and should know if approved in 8 weeks. Funding will overlap the debt with loans.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Finlay. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Councilwoman Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Folse, Councilwoman Sitz, Councilman Finlay. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:46 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 20th day of December 2022.

ROBERT K. NELSON, MAYOR
CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS

JEANNA THOMPSON
CITY SECRETARY