

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

City Council Workshop - Budget

4:00 PM

1901 5TH STREET
BAY CITY TX, 77414



Mayor

Robert K. Nelson

Councilman

Jim Folse

Mayor Pro Tem

Jason W. Childers

Councilman

Bradley Westmoreland

Councilwoman

Becca Sitz

Councilwoman

Floyce Brown

Bay City is committed to developing and enhancing the long-term prosperity, sustainability, and health of the community.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robert K. Nelson called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**PRESENT**

Mayor Robert K. Nelson
Councilwoman Floyce Brown
Councilman Jim Folse
Councilwoman Becca Sitz
Councilman Brad Westmoreland

ABSENT

Mayor Pro Tem Jason W. Childers

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL

1. Budget ~ Receive and Discuss the Budget Proposals from Other Organizations for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

Kristie Pustejousky, Executive Director for Economic Action Committee of the Gulf Coast, presented Council a report of EAC statistics and activities performed during the past year. Councilwoman asked where the funding for payroll comes from and Ms. Pustejousky replied from other funding such as Title 3 and Title 20. Councilwoman Sitz added that the American Rescue Act funds could be used towards building repairs. Ms. Pustejousky stated that she is happy with \$10,000 that the City has budgeted.

2. Budget ~ Receive and Discuss the Bay City Community Development Budget Proposal for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

Jessica Russell, BCCDC Executive Director, gave Council a summary of their budget. Ms. Russell discussed that they are bringing back the website grant program for businesses. Total expenses down from last budget.

3. Budget~ Receive and Discuss the Bay City Hotel/Motel Budget Proposal for the 2022 Fiscal Year.

Heidi Martinez, Tourism Manager, reviewed the Hotel/Motel fund stating their focus was on a balanced budget. Last years COVID-19 has some effect on tourism, but they are focusing on beautifying the City with artist themes and seeking grants from Keep Texas Beautiful.

Scotty Jones, Finance Director, discussed the Hotel Motel Taxes received and budgeted a conservative amount. There is a reserve amount of \$31,500 that may be used for the LeTulle Park stage and Chamber of Commerce electronic upgrades. Ms. Jones also stated that the City has spent approximately one half million on the Texas Theater and has budget monies for incidentals until a decision is made as to what to do.

Shawna Burkhart, City Manager, reviewed the Musuem, Volunteer Fire Department and Chamber of Commerce budgets. All remained same except Chamber's was slightly higher.

There were discussion regarding Volunteer Firemen and retention and retirement benefits.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Councilwoman Sitz. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Folse, Councilwoman Sitz, Councilman Westmoreland. Motion carried and Council adjourned at 4:55 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this ____ day of _____, 2021.

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

JEANNA THOMPSON
CITY SECRETARY