

CITY OF BAY CITY
MINUTES • FEBRUARY 23, 2021

**COUNCIL
CHAMBERS | 1901
5th Street**

City Council Utility Workshop

4:30 PM

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



Mayor

Robert K. Nelson

Councilman

Jim Folse

Mayor Pro Tem

Jason W. Childers

Councilman

Brent P. Marceaux

Councilwoman

Becca Slitz

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 4:38 pm.

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**PRESENT**

Mayor Robert K. Nelson
Mayor Pro Tem Jason W. Childers
Councilwoman Floyce Brown
Councilman Jim Folse
Councilman Brent P. Marceaux
Councilwoman Becca Sitz

Also present:

Shawna Burkhart, City Manager
Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director
Dan Olsen, Garver

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL**REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CITY'S UTILITY ORDINANCE**

Barry Calhoun, Public Works Director reviewed the need to adjust rates after the increase in rates created complaint. Mr. Calhoun stated that irrigation water use rates was hit hard. Mr. Calhoun added that we have revisited and brought down last month after making adjustments. The review tonight is to review the final adjustments. Dan Olsen with Garver addressed council. Mr. Olsen stated that they tried to incorporate the feedback and to moderate and phase in.

Mayor Nelson asked if these rates cover the debt service. Mr. Olsen replied yes.

Mayor Pro Tem Childers asked if there will be incremental increases and Mr. Olsen replied that it would for next few years but not like this. Benchmark showed a sewer cap, sewer cap makes a difference. The new fees still keeps us in the middle of the road and the changes were to satisfy those high volume customers.

Mayor Pro Tem Childers asked about the meters. Mr. Calhoun stated that the company had updated the software and they drug their feet but there were bugs in the software, the City is still manually reading meters. Mr. Calhoun added that commercial business meters have failed, facing replacing 18 meters and we should have in by next month. One hundred Badger test meters are in the ground, still reading 100%, working real good. Very pleased with those

test meters and showed leaks with out customer knowing.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Childers, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Folse, Councilman Marceaux, Councilwoman Sitz. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

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

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

JEANNA THOMPSON
CITY SECRETARY