

CITY OF BAY CITY

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**COUNCIL
CHAMBERS | 1901
5th Street**

City Council Workshop

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

The Council Workshop was called to order by Mayor Robert K. Nelson at 4:04 pm.

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Quorum certified.

PRESENT

Mayor Robert K. Nelson
Mayor Pro Tem Jason W. Childers
Councilwoman Floyce Brown
Councilman Jim Folse
Councilwoman Becca Sitz
Councilman Brad Westmoreland

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL**1. Discussion regarding potential property sites for proposed Public Safety facility.**

Shawna Burkhart, City Manager, began the discussion stating that they had assessed the use of the CED Building on south 60 for public safety use which is currently leased out for 3 years. The City could purchase the whole building and renegotiate the leases. Public Safety will need 4.5 acres. Another option would be rebuild in current location which would require relocation of staff during construction. Councilwoman Brown stated that she is concerned with the south 60 location due to the school traffic and pedestrians. Ms. Burkhart added that the question is "where do we want to be?" Mayor Pro Tem Childers added that with growth on the east side we may use a sub-station. Ms. Burkhart asking do we go north east or stay central? Councilwoman Sitz suggested by Cherry Elementary. Ms. Burkhart also suggested between China One and Bay City Sea Food. Mayor Pro Tem Childers remarked on the past Dewberry feasibility study and that we may want to review and trim down. Mayor Nelson stated that we hope we grow in all directions and we should stay central. Councilman Westmoreland agreed with the Mayor. Current location was favored by majority of Council. Chief Lister adding that he is happy with that as long as he has space. Mayor Pro Tem Childers recommended the review of the Dewberry plan and a Town Hall meeting.

2. Discuss, consider, and/or approve the proposed projects to be funded by the American Rescue Plan.

Council asked that the Airport temporary water tank costs presented be brought back to discuss later as they did not have opportunity to review. Drainage items were

reviewed and Councilman Folse and Councilwoman Sitz asked to see cost of an open ditch at United Rentals. Scotty Jones, Finance Director, will look into funding allowable for roads and manholes. Park improvements were reviewed. Walking trails were discussed. Shawna Burkhart, City Manager, asked Council if they wish to remove the Airport water well from ARP funding. Mayor Nelson stated that he does not agree with removing the well from ARP funding and that the Airport is strategic to our growth. Scotty Jones discussed the IT items that were removed from the ARP funding list and alternative funding means. Mark Flash, IT Manager, discussed the new legislation regarding certain security camera from China being prohibited.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilwoman Brown to adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Westmoreland. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Childers, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Folse, Councilwoman Sitz, Councilman Westmoreland. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 22nd day of February 2022.

ROBERT K. NELSON, MAYOR

CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS

JEANNA THOMPSON

CITY SECRETARY