

**CITY OF BAY CITY**  
**MINUTES • DECEMBER 12, 2023**

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**COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS | 1901  
5th Street**

**City Council Workshop**

**6:00 PM**

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



**Mayor**

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Robert K. Nelson

**Mayor Pro Tem**

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Blayne Finlay

**Councilman**

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Jim Folse

**Councilman**

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Bradley Westmoreland

**Councilwoman**

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Becca Sitz

**Councilman**

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Benjamin Flores

*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 6:10 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM****PRESENT**

Mayor Robert K. Nelson  
Mayor Pro Tem Blayne Finlay  
Councilman Benjamin Flores  
Councilman Jim Folse  
Councilwoman Becca Sitz

**ABSENT**

Councilman Brad Westmoreland

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND / OR APPROVAL**

1. **Discuss Garver presentation on recommended Water System projects including Arsenic Treatment at 6th and Avenue I, Mockingbird Water Plant Electrical Improvements, and City-Wide Waterline Replacement Program, provide direction to staff on the projects and funding limits for TWDB 2023 Drinking Water application, and take any action deemed necessary.** Herb Blomquist, Public Works Director

Herb Blomquist, Public Works Director, introduced Dan Olsen with Garver. Mr. Olsen provided a presentation to review Garver's recommendation of Bay City Water System Projects. The recommended projects were arsenic treatment at 6th and Avenue I, Mockingbird Water Plant Rehabilitation, and Waterline Replacement/Expansion. Mr. Blomquist added that priorities should be the arsenic treatment, Mockingbird rehabilitation, the 5th Street waterline, Moore Street waterline, and Rugely/Matthews street waterline needs immediate replacement. Mr. Blomquist recommended Council approve a \$12 million draw. January 9th meeting there will be an ordinance to approve.

Motion made by Councilman Flores to approve the recommended projects (1) 6th and Ave I Arsenic Removal Treatment, (2) Mockingbird Water Plant Electrical Rehabilitation, (3a) 5th Street Waterline Replacement, (3b) Moore Street Waterline Replacement, for the TWDB 2023 Funding not to exceed \$12,000,000.00, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Finlay. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Councilman Flores, Councilman Folse, Councilwoman Sitz. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Finlay to adjourn, Seconded by Councilman Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Councilman Flores, Councilman Folse, Councilwoman Sitz. Motion carried and Council adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**, this 9th day of January 2024.

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

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JEANNA THOMPSON  
CITY SECRETARY