

BURLESON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
September 11, 2023
DRAFT MINUTES

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Victoria Johnson
Phil Anderson
Ronnie Johnson
Chris Fletcher
Larry Scott
Dan McClendon
Adam Russell

COUNCIL ABSENT:

Staff present

Tommy Ludwig, City Manager
Amanda Campos, City Secretary
Monica Solko, Deputy City Secretary
Matt Ribitzki, Deputy City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER – 9:30 p.m.

Mayor Fletcher called the meeting to order.

Time: 9:31 p.m.

2. CITIZEN APPEARANCES

- No speakers.

3. BUDGET AND TAX RATE

- A. CSO#5214-09-2023, ordinance adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 beginning October 1, 2023, and terminating September 30, 2024, and making appropriations for each fund; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a savings clause and an effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public. This budget will raise more property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$2,134,839, which is an 8.8 percent increase, and of that amount \$1,485,617 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director, presented items 3A-3H as one presentation to the city council.

Motion made by Larry Scott and seconded by Adam Russell to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- B. CSO#5215-09-2023, minute order ratifying the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 annual operating budget beginning October 1, 2023, and terminating September 30, 2024. (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Phil Anderson and seconded by Ronnie Johnson to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- C. CSO#5216-09-2023, ordinance levying the ad valorem property tax of the City of Burleson for Tax Year 2023 on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the city on January 1, 2023, and adopting a tax rate of \$0.6325 per \$100 of valuation for Tax Year 2023; providing for revenues for payment of current municipal maintenance and operation expenses and for payment of interest and principal on outstanding City of Burleson debt; providing for enforcement of collections; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a savings clause and an effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public. The proposed tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Dan McClendon and seconded by Adam Russell that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.6325 cents per one hundred dollars valuation, which is effectively a 6.55% percent increase in the tax rate.

Motion passed 7-0.

- D. CSO#5217-09-2023, ordinance approving the 2023 tax rolls; and declaring an effective date. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Phil Anderson and seconded by Victoria Johnson to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- E. CSO#5218-09-2023, ordinance providing a Fiscal Year 2023-2024 schedule of fees for various City of Burleson services. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Ronnie Johnson and seconded by Victoria Johnson to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- F. CSO#5219-09-2023, ordinance providing Fiscal Year 2023-2024 rates for water and wastewater service. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Adam Russell and seconded by Dan McClendon to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- G. CSO#5220-09-2023, ordinance providing Fiscal Year 2023-2024 rates for collection and disposal of residential and non-residential solid waste, recyclables, and trash. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Dan McClendon and seconded by Larry Scott to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

- H. CSO#5221-09-2023, ordinance providing for a residential homestead exemption from the ad valorem tax for Tax Year 2024 and all future years unless revised of an amount equal to three percent of the appraised value; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a savings clause; incorporating the recitals; finding that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public; and declaring an effective date. (Final Reading) (Staff Presenter: John Butkus, Assistant Finance Director)**

Motion made by Victoria Johnson and seconded by Larry Scott to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

4. GENERAL

- A. CSO#5222-09-2023, Medical Services Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Burleson and CareFlite (Texas non-profit corporation). (Staff Presenter: Casey Davis, Assistant Fire Chief)**

K.T. Freeman, Fire Chief, presented an agreement to the city council.

Motion made by Victoria Johnson and seconded by Dan McClendon to approve.

Motion passed 7-0.

5. RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, the Council reserves the right to convene in Executive Session(s), from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting for any posted agenda item, to receive advice from its attorney as permitted by law.

- A. Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek the advice of the City Attorney pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code**

No need for executive session.

6. **ADJOURN**

Motion made by Adam Russell and Ronnie Johnson to adjourn.

Mayor Fletcher adjourned the meeting.

Time: 9:56 p.m.

Monica Solko
Deputy City Secretary