



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

**Monday, September 12, 2022 – 6:00 PM**

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

*Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.*

*Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.*

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### MINUTES

1,081

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and announced a quorum present.

#### PRESENT

Mayor Brad Hyman  
Mayor Pro Tem Mark Huddleston  
Councilwoman Sherelyn Roberson  
Councilman Harold Cason  
Councilwoman Mary Keys  
City Administrator Tina Rose  
City Secretary Kathy Lovier

#### ABSENT

Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey

#### VISITORS

Lillie Bush Reves, Lanny Buck, Gail Reed, Mark Sachse, Jack Carlson

City Administrator Rose lead the invocation and Mayor Hyman lead the pledges.

#### Consent Agenda

1. Minutes 8/8/2022 and Special Meeting 8/22/2022  
August 2022 financials  
Teacher Day Proclamation

Motion made by Councilwoman Roberson, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

#### Report on Items of Community Interest

Mayor Hyman reported the MV Tigers are undefeated and the Homecoming Parade is tonight.

Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston asked the Council to consider closing part of Franklin Street due to a blind spot and a child being hit on his bicycle. He feels that there are many other ways to approach the school and closing that

smart area should not disrupt the flow of traffic. The area would still be open to pedestrians walking or riding bicycles.

Mark Sachse report that Colin Clasby had completed the Fire Academy training.

Citizen Participation No one asked to speak.

### **Public Hearing**

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against the 2022 proposed tax rate of \$0.54656 and the 2022-2023 proposed budget

Mayor Hyman closed the Regular Session and opened the Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m.

No one spoke for or against the 2022 proposed tax rate or 2022-2023 proposed budget.

Mayor Hyman closed the Public Hearing and re-opened the Regular Session at 6:13 p.m.

### **Items to be Considered:**

2. Consider and Act upon approval of adopting Ordinance 2022-07 the 2022-2023 budget.

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys. Absent: Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey.

3. Consider and Act upon approval of Ordinance 2022-08 setting the Ad Valorem Tax rate of \$0.54656 .

Motion made by Councilman Cason, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys Absent: Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey.

4. Consider and Act upon approval of Ordinance 2022-09 Water Rates increase.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Roberson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

5. Consider and Act upon approval of solid waste removal contract with Sanitation Solutions

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Roberson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

6. Consider and Act upon approval of amending Ordinance 2022-10 Open Fires.

Motion made by Councilman Cason to postpone this to a future meeting when Colin Clasby with MVFD can be here for discussion. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

7. Consider and Act upon approval of Resolution 22-13 Ballistic Shield Grant for the Police Department.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Roberson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

8. Consider and Act upon approval of awarding bid for Hwy 37 Elevated Storage Tank Rehabilitation.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston to award the bid to JK Tank Service, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

Administrator Rose reported the streets behind Meadow Park have been completed, the sewer lines behind and beside the City Hall over to Jackson Street to English Street work to be repaired will begin this week, waterlines near the Park Lane area have been cleared of brush all the way to the water plant, the facility signs have all been replaced and the American Rescue Plan Act project at the sewer plant should be starting around 10/4/22.

Motion made by Councilman Cason to close the meeting at 7:00 p.m., Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys

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**Brad Hyman – Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kathy Lovier – City Secretary**