

<b>AARON ROCCAFORTE</b> <i>Mayor Pro-Tem/Council Member, Place 1</i>	<b>DAVID RUTLEDGE</b> <i>Mayor</i>	<b>DANNY HARRINGTON</b> <i>Council Member, Place 4</i>
<b>MIKE REED</b> <i>Council Member, Place 2</i>		<b>TERRI GAUTHIER</b> <i>Council Member, Place 5</i>
<b>TAMMI FISETTE</b> <i>Council Member, Place 3</i>		<b>LUCY FIELDS</b> <i>Council Member, Place 6</i>

## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

### WORKSHOP SESSION

CITY OF BRIDGE CITY

July 25, 2022

The City Council of Bridge City met in a special meeting on Monday, July 25, 2022, at the City Hall of Bridge City, 260 Rachal, Bridge City, Texas.

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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Mayor David Rutledge called the City Council Special Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

##### **CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Mayor David Rutledge  
 Council Member Aaron Roccaforte  
 Mayor Pro-Tem Mike Reed  
 Council Member Tammi Fisette  
 Council Member Patty Collins  
 Council Member Terri Gauthier  
 Council Member Sherby Dixon

##### **CITY STAFF PRESENT:**

City Manager Brent Walker  
 City Secretary Jeanie McDowell  
 Chief Police Tod McDowell  
 Finance Director Shelley Fields  
 Personnel/Purchasing Director Kim Tucker  
 Public Works Director Mike Lund  
 Utility Superintendent Mike Die

#### **2. INVOCATION**

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Invocation was given by Council Member Fisette.

#### **3. PLEDGE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE STATE OF TEXAS FLAG**

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Mayor Rutledge led in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and to the State of Texas flag. At the conclusion of the pledges, Mayor Rutledge thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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Council Member Collins made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Council Member Gauthier.

With no changes, discussion, or alterations, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

#### **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Ayes:** Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Fissette, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** None.

#### **5. WORKSHOP SESSION - ITEM FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

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##### ***(a) Discussion of the City of Bridge City 2021 - 2022 Fiscal Year Budget***

Mr. Walker explained what a budget was and how it works through a power point presentation and presented an overview of the 2022-2023 Proposed Budget.

In Mr. Walker's presentation, he went over the new format of the budget. He also went over the revenues and expenditures, and he noted the changes to the 2022-2023 proposed budget as follows:

##### **Expenditures**

Budget includes a 3% wage increase

Capital Equipment = \$732,022

##### **Revenues**

Sales tax revenue increase \$217,000

Property tax revenue increase \$234,799

Industrial tax revenue decreases \$41,709 (Partial Tax Exemption through TCEQ)

Water, Sewer & Sanitation Revenue increase \$120,000

There were other minor line-item adjustments throughout the budget.

##### ***(b) Discussion of a lease contract with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc***

Mr. Walker and the City Council discussed leasing the City's fleet vehicles with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. They were all in agreement that the leasing option was best for the City to lease because it would save them on maintenance of the vehicles. They also agreed that the vehicles would always be new, which it would save on fuel cost.

Mayor Rutledge called another Mayor and he said they have had it for the past 6 years and they were very happy with it. He said it is a good deal and they have tried to find something wrong with and could not.

## 6. REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM:

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### **(b) City Council**

**Council Member Fisette** thanked the staff for the presentation of the budget.

**Council Member Gauthier** said the budget workshop was very thorough and she appreciates the staff.

### **(c) City Staff**

Shelley Fields, Director of Finance said she knows it is kind of scary to some people with new procedures and things changing with the new city manager and new finance director, but she does feel the City is in the right direction. She said she does feel like the city needs to come up to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. She said there were a lot of things that were being done for the last 20 years that she knows it was scary for people to see change, but she thinks the city is going in the right direction. She said she was excited about it.

## 7. CITIZEN COMMENTS

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None.

## 8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION

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### **(a) Consideration and possible action to approve a recommendation from the City Manager Brent Walker to enter into a lease contract with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc**

Council Member Collins made a motion to approve a recommendation from the City Manager Brent Walker to enter into a lease contract with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc, seconded by Council Member Gauthier.

With no further discussion, Mayor Rutledge called for a vote.

### **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Ayes:** Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Fisette, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** None.

## 9. ADJOURN

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Council Member Collins made a motion to adjourn the workshop session and regular meeting at 8:32 p.m. seconded by Council Member Roccaforte.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Ayes:** Mayor Rutledge, Mayor Pro-Tem Reed, Council Members Roccaforte, Fisetto, Collins, Gauthier, and Dixon.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** None.

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David Rutledge, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jeanie McDowell, City Secretary