

**CITY OF VIDOR
VIDOR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 23, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Songe
Councilmember Lee
Councilmember McGowan
Councilmember Thompson
Councilmember Barker
Councilmember Bourque
Councilmember Weldon

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Administrative Personnel: Robbie Hood, City Manager; Brooke Carroll, HR Director; Chris Leavins, City Attorney; and Rod Carroll, Chief;

A. OPENING, PRESENTATIONS, AND CITIZENS COMMENTS

A -1. Call to order and the establishment of a Quorum

A quorum was present, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council began at 7:00 p.m., Misty Songe, Mayor, presiding.

A -2. Invocation and Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag

Chris Leavins, City Attorney, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag.

A -3. Citizen Comments

None

B. COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

B -1. Approval of Accounts Paid:

Paid Invoices:	General Fund –	\$311,560.92
	MCBSF –	\$139.72
	Hotel Occupancy –	\$1,099.37
	Disaster Fund -	\$18,500.00
	Proprietary Fund –	\$54,282.58
	Total:	\$385,582.59

B -2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – January 09, 2025

A motion to **approve the Consent Agenda** was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. **The motion carried.**

C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

C -1. Consideration and possible action approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract (ICC) for Failure to Appear (FTA) Program, between the City of Vidor and Texas Department of Public Safety

Chris Leavins, City Attorney, this is an agreement that the City has had for years, which was updated late last year, but we are just getting around to it. If the Council approves it, we will need to get with DPS to make sure the program is still ongoing. Basically, whenever someone is issued a citation, they are provided notice telling them when to show up or if they have already come to court, they are sent a notice that tells them when to come for either pre-trial or trial. They can get a failure to appear if they don't show and the court is able to notify DPS of that and they are able to put a hold on their license. Which gives them incentive to contact the court and try to resolve the fine or schedule trial whatever it may be and then there is a statutory fee of ten (10) dollars that goes along with that. There is a vendor the State uses, and you pay them six (6) dollars and then the State allows the City to retain the other four (4) dollars, and this is the agreement that basically covers that. It gets amended every few years, I think the last time it was amended was maybe 2020 or 2021, so there are just legislative changes for different things like indigency and things like that they have to cover. So, this is just an updated agreement for that program to continue.

A motion to **approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract (ICC) for Failure to Appear (FTA) Program, between the City of Vidor and Texas Department of Public Safety** was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. **The motion carried.**

C -2. Consideration and/or possible approval of an ORDINANCE calling for the election of a Mayor and three (3) Council members in a City Election to be held on May 3, 2025, and setting up the procedures for the election, the provisions for the officers of the election, establishing a voting precinct and polling place, and ordering a Runoff Election, if necessary, to be held on June 7, 2025

Considerar y posiblemente aprobar UNA ORDENANZA DE LLAMAR A LA ELECCIÓN DEL ALCALDE Y TRES (3) MIEMBROS DEL CONSEJO EN UNA ELECCIÓN DE LA CIUDAD QUE SE CELEBRARÁ DEL 03 DE MAYO, 2025, Y CONFIGURACIÓN DE LOS PROCEDIMIENTOS PARA LA ELECCIÓN, LAS DISPOSICIONES DE LA MESA DE LA ELECCION, SE ESTABLECE UNA VOTACIÓN RECINTO ELECTORAL Y CENTROS ELECTORALES, Y OTRA ORDENANZA DE UNA SEGUNDA VUELTA ELECTORAL, SI ES NECESARIO, QUE SE CELEBRARÁ DEL 07 DE JUNIO 2025

A motion to **approve an ORDINANCE calling for the election of a Mayor and three (3) Council members in a City Election to be held on May 3, 2025, and setting up the procedures for the election, the provisions for the officers of the election, establishing a voting precinct and polling place, and ordering a Runoff Election, if necessary, to be held on June 7, 2025,** was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. **The motion carried.**

C -3. Consideration and possible approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Orange County Election Services Contract between the City of Vidor and Orange County Elections Administrator for the May 2025 Election.

A motion to **approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of an Orange County Election Services Contract between the City of Vidor and Orange County Elections Administrator for the May 2025 Election** was made by Councilmember Thompson, seconded by Councilmember McGowan. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. **The motion carried.**

C-4. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution amending and/or updating the City of Vidor’s Social Media Policy

Council passed on this item

C -15. Consideration of Adjournment

A motion for **Consideration of Adjournment**, was made by Councilmember McGowan, seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The Council voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. **The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.**

These minutes were approved on February 13, 2025.

ATTEST:



Rachel Duplechain, City Secretary



Misty Songe, Mayor