

**CITY OF VIDOR
VIDOR CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 9, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Kimberly Stiebig
Councilmember Angela Jordan *(via video conference)*
Councilmember Misty Songe *(via video conference)*
Councilmember Keith Buesing *(via video conference)*
Councilmember Gary Herrera *(via video conference)*
Councilmember Jane Hill *(via video conference)*

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Kelly Carder

Administrative Personnel: Rollie Burr, Interim City Manager; Chris Leavins, City Attorney *(via video conference)*; Vicki Watson, City Secretary; Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting *(via video conference)*; and Rod Carroll, Chief of Police

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 7:13 p.m., Mayor Stiebig presiding.

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

Rollie Burr, Interim City Manager, gave the Invocation and led the Pledge to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Flag.

A -3. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

B. COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

B -1. Approval of Accounts Paid:

Paid Invoices:	General Fund – \$207,710.61
	Sanitation Fund – \$26,589.09
	Juvenile Case Management – \$175.39
	Municipal Court Building Security Fund – \$37.82
	Emergency Management – \$76.99
	TDA Grant – \$30,317.40
	Disaster Fund – \$109,395.55

B -2. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – March 26, 2020

B -3. Ratification of the transfer of funds from Interest & Sinking 2013 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-Capital One Bank account to Interest & Sinking 2008/2016 General Obligation Refunding Bonds-TexPool account in the following amounts:

March 30, 2020:

\$ 1,311.71

A motion was made by Councilmember Songe seconded by Councilmember Herrera, to **APPROVE THE COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.** The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C. COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

C -1. Consideration and possible action on AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 14 - BUSINESSES, ARTICLE XI. – AMUSEMENT REDEMPTION MACHINE BUSINESSES, REGARDING RESTRICTION ON NUMBER OF MACHINES WITHIN THE CITY, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Stiebig stated we did lose one of our facilities which houses machines, and a question was brought up about possibly lowering the number of machines allowed. Mayor Stiebig explained this brings our total number of machines down to 189 and recommended bringing the total number allowed down from 200 to 190. Cheryl Ray, Supervisor of Finance & Accounting, explained the only thing is this is part of our budgeted revenue (currently \$188K). Ms. Ray stated we need to be very careful as our property tax, court revenue, sales tax and other revenues will more than likely be down. Chris Leavins, City Attorney, stated the Ordinance is pretty self-explanatory, and the only change is lowering the number of machines from 200 to 190. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Councilmember Songe, seconded by Councilmember Jordan, to **approve the Ordinance reducing the number of machines allowed to 190.** ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Jordan, aye; Councilmember Songe, aye; Councilmember Buesing, aye; Councilmember Herrera, aye; and Councilmember Hill, aye. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -2. Discussion and possible action concerning COVID-19 and extension and /or continuation of the Disaster Declaration and Emergency Order and any amendments thereto

Mayor Stiebig explained the Governor extended the State declaration to April 30th pending whatever is going on at that time, and ours is set to expire tomorrow. Chris Leavins, City Attorney, clarified the City's declaration goes to April 13th. Mr. Leavins stated he spoke to Orange County Commissioner Viator to ask how the County is handling it and was told that theirs is going to expire before we meet again, which makes it hard for us to stay together. Mr. Leavins stated Commissioner Viator thinks they will be staying with what the Governor has recommended. Discussion ensued regarding the Emergency Order currently in place and not wanting to tighten what we already have. Rod Carroll, Chief of Police, stated the super majority are obeying the Ordinance, but there have been a few citations issued for violation of the Emergency Order. Chief Carroll estimated that 95% or more are complying.

Councilmember Herrera made a motion to **extend the Emergency Declaration and Order to April 30th to follow the Governor.** Councilmember Songe seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Songe, aye; Councilmember Buesing, aye; Councilmember Herrera, aye; Councilmember Hill, aye; and Councilmember Jordan, aye. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -3. Consideration and possible action of the addition of AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 30 – FLOODS, ARTICLE II – FLOOD HAZARD PREVENTION, TO PROVIDE

PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

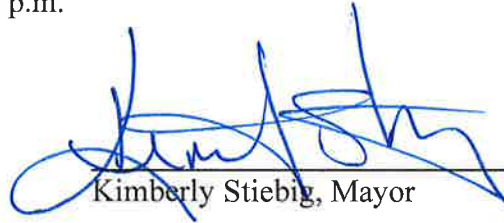
Rollie Burr, Interim City Manager, explained this is something FEMA is requesting. Mr. Burr stated the deadline to add the penalties for non-compliance was April 10, 2020, but they have extended it. Chris Leavins, City Attorney, explained the National Flood Buyout Program requires a flood prevention program to have certain requirements. Mr. Leavins stated FEMA looked at our Ordinance and said everything was fine, but it was missing a penalty section for enforcement. Mr. Leavins stated nothing else in the current Ordinance is being changed. Mr. Leavins stated with the addition of this provision, if someone violates any restriction, they can be cited for a Class C Misdemeanor. Mr. Leavins stated we have to meet their requirements in order to continue to participate in the federal program.

Councilmember Songe moved **to approve the Ordinance adding penalties to the flood hazard prevention program**. Councilmember Jordan seconded. ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilmember Buesing, aye; Council-member Herrera, aye; Councilmember Hill, aye; Councilmember Jordan, aye; and Councilmember Songe, aye. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried.

C -4. Consideration of Adjournment


A motion was made by Councilmember Songe, seconded by Councilmember Buesing, for **Consideration of Adjournment**. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried, and the Regular Meeting of the Vidor City Council adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

These minutes approved April 23, 2020.



Kimberly Stiebig, Mayor

ATTEST:



Vicki Watson, City Secretary