

CITY OF GIDDINGS

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GIDDINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY OCTOBER 25, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 118 E RICHMOND, GIDDINGS, TEXAS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Dowell at 7:00 p.m. with the following present:
Members Present: Mayor John Dowell, Pro-Tem Joel Lopez, Council Members Alan Casey, Linda Pruitt, Frank Castro, Jacob Janda.

Staff Present: City Manager Spencer Schneider, City Secretary Andrea Ray, Director of Public Services Kenny Ray, Municipal Court Clerk Rachel Grube, Giddings Police Chief William Weems.

2. PLEDGES TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAG - Pledges were said.

3. INVOCATION AND WELCOME - City Council Member Linda Pruitt gave the invocation and Mayor John Dowell welcomed all in attendance.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS - No Announcements

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS - No Presentations and Proclamations

6. CITIZENS' COMMENTS -No citizens comments

7. CONSENT AGENDA- All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Council member so requests.

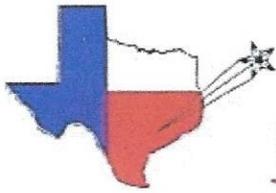
a. Consider approval of Minutes for City Council Regular Meeting held on September 27, 2021.

A motion was made by City Council Member Jacob Janda and seconded by City Council Member Alan Casey for approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held on Monday, September 27, 2021.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Pruitt, Castro, Janda

Nays: None



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8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss and take possible action to approve a Resolution No. 482-2021 authorizing the submittal of one or more DR-4586 HMGP applications to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the application, and committing matching funds. (Generator Grant)

City Manager Spencer Schneider presented this agenda item to City Council. Spencer stated this Resolution No 482-2021 will approve for the City Manager Spencer Schneider and Mayor John Dowell to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the DR-4586 HMGP grant. This grant will help with problems that arose from the 2020 Winter Storm. The City of Giddings will have Generators to help out in future needs.

Wesley Traylor spoke on behalf of Traylor and Associates the HMGP Grant administrator for the Grant for the generators. FEMA has allotted money for Cities to use after the 2020 Winter Storm were damages occurred from and problems arose for the Cities. The deadline for this grant is November 5, 2021, the resolution needs to be signed; all paperwork is completed needs to be turned in for the HMGP Grant. Wesley, stated the response to hear if the City of Giddings will receive the grant will be February 2022. The wait time of receiving the generators which could be up to 24 months before we receive the generators.

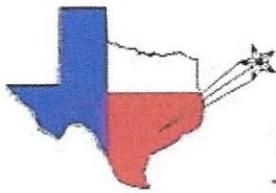
A motion was made by Pro-Tem Joel Lopez and seconded by City Council Member Linda Pruitt to approve Resolution No. 482-2021 authorizing the submittal of one or more DR-4586 HMGP applications to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, authorizing the City Manager Spencer Schneider and Mayor John Dowell to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the application, and committing matching funds. (Generator Grant)

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Pruitt, Castro, Janda

Nays: None

- b. Discuss and take possible action to approve Resolution No. 483-2021 for the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award a grant administration services in conjunction with an application (if applicable) of funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide project administration and project-related management services, if awarded.



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City Manager Spencer Schneider presented this agenda item to City Council. The City of Giddings received three RFPs for the ARPA grant administration/professional services are Langford Community Management Services, The Goodman Corporation and Traylor and Associates. The Selection Review Committee scored Langford with highest score due to a low bid that scored high. Traylor and Associates scored second highest. The Selection Review Committee made a recommendation of Traylor and Associates due to the presentation, information and details in the RFP the covered needs for the ARPA grant administration/professional services for the City of Giddings. Wesley Traylor spoke on behalf of Traylor and Associations stated the company can negotiation on a lower price. The ARPA Grant is federal money, there are certain costs that cover a list of what the money can be used for. The City of Giddings can be used for water, sewer construction at this time.

City Manager Spencer Schneider spoke at this time the Schubert lift station is need of repairs and the ARPA Grant money may be used to benefit with the repairs and add a generator to the well #10.

A motion was made by City Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by City Council Member Frank Castro to approve the Resolution No. 483-2021 for the recommendation of the Selection Review Committee to award a grant administration services in conjunction with an application (if applicable) of funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide project administration and project-related management services, if awarded.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Pruitt, Castro, Janda

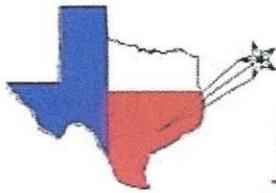
Nays: None

- c. Discuss and receive the 2021-2022 Asset Forfeiture Budget from Giddings Police Department.

Chief Police William Weems presented this agenda item to City Council. The reported beginning balance as \$41,471.06. Expenditures two dash cameras \$8110.00, police training \$12,000.00, lab technician \$10,000.00. Total expenditures \$30,110.00. Adjusted income \$71,471.06. Carry Balance forwarded \$41,361.06. **DISCUSSION ONLY NO ACTION TAKEN**

- d. Discuss and take possible action to approve Resolution No. 481-2021 for Lee Central Appraisal District Board of Directors to cast votes for the individuals nominated.

City Manager presented this agenda item to City Council. The ballot for candidates will need the scores at this time. The City Council decided to split the vote among all members for Lee Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.



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A motion was made by City Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by City Council Member Frank Castro to approve Resolution No. 481-2021 for Lee Central Appraisal District Board of Directors to cast votes for the individuals nominated. The votes will be spilt among all members at 56.6.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Castro, Pruitt, Janda

Nays: None

- e. Discuss and take possible action regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement between Lee County and the City of Giddings for the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

City Manager Spencer Schneider presented this agenda item to City Council. The Hazard Mitigation Plan is required to be reviewed and updated every five years. Lee County is applying for a grant to assist with the cost of the consulting company. The City of Giddings portion will be \$3000.00. This Intergovernmental Agreement is between The City of Giddings and Lee County for the grant for the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

A motion was made by City Council Member Alan Casey and seconded by City Council Member Frank Castro to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Lee County and the City of Giddings for the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion carried by the following vote:

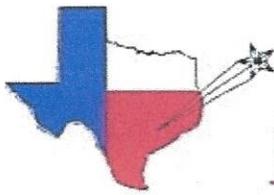
Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Castro, Pruitt, Janda

Nays: None

- f. Discuss and take possible action on the request from Lorraine McBride to purchase the alley 10ft x 125ft OT Giddings, Block 201 Lot 4, 5 & N/2 of 3. 781 N. Harris Street Giddings, Tx.

City Manager Spencer Schneider presented this agenda item to City Council. The certified survey and certified appraisal of the property has been completed by Lorraine McBride she is requesting to purchase the alley located at OT Giddings, Block 201 Lot 4, 5 & N/2 of 3. 781 N. Harris Street Giddings, Tx. The appraised value of the said property is \$1000.00

A motion was made by City Council Member Jacob Janda and seconded by City Council Member Linda Pruitt request from Lorraine McBride to purchase the alley 10ft x 125ft OT Giddings, Block 201 Lot 4, 5 & N/2 of 3. 781 N. Harris Street Giddings, Tx. The appraised value of the said property is \$1000.00 and the requestor Lorraine McBride will pay the amount to purchase the alley 10ft x 125ft.



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Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members: Lopez, Casey, Pruitt, Castro, Janda

Nays: None

- g. Discuss and take possible action to enter into a contract with Johnson & Associates to assist with the employment of new GEDC Director. This agenda item will be brought back to Giddings City Council.

NO DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON THIS AGENDA ITEM

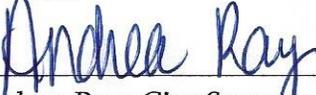
9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. City Manager restated the Schubert Lift Station will need repairs in the future.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 7:58 P.M. by Mayor John Dowell.

ATTEST:



Andrea Ray, City Secretary



John Dowell, Mayor

