



**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

**August 11, 2020**

On August 11, 2020, a regular meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 6:00 p.m., Odessa, Texas. Due to the COVID-19, the meeting was teleconferenced, as allowed by Governor Abbott's executive order. The City Council was present through teleconference.

City Council present: Mayor David R. Turner; Council members: Michael Shelton, District One; Dewey Bryant, District Two; Detra White, District Three; Tom Sprawls, District Four; Mari Willis, District Five; and Peggy Dean, At-Large.

Others present: Michael Marrero, City Manager; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Natasha Brooks, City Attorney; Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager; Cindy Muncy, Assistant City Manager; and other members of City staff.

A quorum being present, Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and the following proceedings were held:

The invocation was given by Mayor Turner and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas flags.

**Telecommunicator Team of the Year**– Mayor Turner recognized and thanked the City's 9-1-1 dispatchers for their work on the August 31 tragic event. They will receive the Telecommunicator Team of the Year. Michelle Racca, Director of Emergency Communications, was humbled and honored by the recognition.

**Mobile COVID-19 testing update** – Dr. Minerva Gonzales provided an overview of the demographics from the mobile testing. There were 1,596 tests given with 1,117 negative results and 479 positive results. There was 48% male with 52% female. There was 83% Hispanic and 17% Non-Hispanic. Dr. Diana Ruiz stated the mobile testing was under budget. The challenge was reaching to the participants with their results as incorrect contact information was provided. She was grateful for the support of City staff. Council member Willis reported that the event was organized and flowed professionally. She thanked Dr. Ruiz and her team. Dr. Gonzales was working with City staff on dates for the Fall mobile testing.

**August 31 Memorial Update** – Mr. Urrutia stated that there was a collaborative effort from Odessa Arts, City staff, Chamber, Family Resiliency Center, and the Ministerial Alliance in bringing forth events for the August 31 Memorial. Randy Ham, Odessa Arts Executive Director, stated that the group worked on events to provide the opportunity to observe and support the families in a safe manner. He provided the schedule of events for the memorial. Some of the events included sharing stories on social media, a thank you video of first responders, yellow flags at Memorial Gardens, businesses having yellow ribbon on the door, 32 seconds of silence on August 31 at 3 p.m., and digital billboard message. The three finalist designs for the memorial would be unveiled. Mayor Turner thanked Mr. Ham for his leadership.

### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. City Council minutes, July 28, 2020;
- B. City Council minutes work session, August 4, 2020;
- C. City Council budget retreat minute, August 4, 2020;
- D. **Ordinance 2020-26 – Call the 2020 General Municipal Election for November 3, 2020;**
- E. **Ordinance No. 2020-27 – Amend Article 3-12 – Flood Damage Prevention in the City Code of Ordinances;**
- F. **Resolution No. 2020R-47 – Emergency Communication District of Ector County 2020-2021 budget;**
- G. **Resolution No. 2020R-48 – Authorize to use electronic signature on TxDOT Traffic Safety Grants;**
- H. **Resolution No. 2020R-49 - Authorize the City of Odessa Police Department to apply for and accept; amending the fiscal budget to appropriate awarded funds as additional revenue and authorizing the expenditure of awarded grant funds from the 2020 BJA Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG);**
- I. **Resolution No. 2020R-50 – Ector County interlocal agreement for the division of the 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance grant (JAG) funds;**
- J. **Resolution No. 2020R-51 – Appoint the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee and adopt the Committee’s procedure rules;**
- K. Contract award with CivicPlus for website development and mass notification system for \$354,954;
- L. Bid award to Neal Pool for impound services for \$6,000.

Motion was made by Council member Willis and seconded by Council member Sprawls to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

### OTHER COUNCIL ACTION

#### **Purchase of uniforms for OFR personnel with the CARES CRF funds for \$43,902.**

Mr. Marrero stated that some of the purchases would be for Council approval for the knowledge of how the CARES funding was spent. Rodd Huber, Assistant Fire Chief, stated that the fire personnel were washing their uniforms a few times in one shift due to the increase in calls. The purchase would help them have more uniforms to keep clean.

Motion was made by Council member Dean and seconded by Council member Shelton to approve the purchase as recommended. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

#### **Purchase of Glidescope Pro’s with Cares CRF funds for \$61,948.** Assistant Chief Huber stated that the equipment would assist with the COVID-19 patients to keep at a distance.

Motion was made by Council member White and seconded by Council member Bryant to approve the purchase as recommended. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

**Ector County Elections Administrator contract for the General Municipal Election, November 3, 2020.** Mrs. Grimaldo stated that elections contract would be for the November 3, 2020 election. The joint election cost would be shared.

Motion was made by Council member Dean and seconded by Council member White to approve the contract as recommended. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

**Purchase one Zoll cardiac monitor/defibrillator with CARES CRF funds for \$38,327.** Assistant Fire Chief Huber stated that the Zoll cardiac monitor would transmit the data to both hospitals. The purchase would complete having a monitor one each unit.

Motion was made by Council member White and seconded by Council member Sprawls to approve the purchase as recommended. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

**Purchase of nine automatic CPR devices with CARES CRF funds for \$170,777.** Assistant Chief Huber stated that CPR devices would allow for better survival outcomes for patients in cardiac arrest. It would limit close contact with patients.

Motion was made by Council member Sprawls and seconded by Council member White to approve the purchase as recommended. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

## RESOLUTION

**Resolution No. 2020R-52 – City of Odessa’s 2020 Action Plan and the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.** Merita Sandoval, Director of Community Development, stated that Consolidated Plan established the priorities and goals for the next few years. The Action Plan was based on how the CDBG funds would be expended.

Motion was made by Council member Bryant and seconded by Council member Willis to approve the resolution. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Dean  
Nay: None

Council member Willis left the meeting.

**Resolution No. 2020R-53 – City of Odessa’s amendment to the 2019 Action Plan.** Mrs. Sandoval stated that the amendment to the Action Plan included the CDBG-CV funds that were allocated.

Motion was made by Council member Dean and seconded by Council member Sprawls to approve the resolution. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, and Dean  
Nay: None

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Appointment of Boards: Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, Board of Survey, Citizens Golf Advisory Committee; Historic Preservation Commission, Traffic Advisory Committee, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and Midland Odessa Urban Transit District.**

Motion was made by Council member Dean and seconded by Council member Sprawls to appoint Sheila Perry to the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Turner, Shelton, Bryant, White, Sprawls, and Dean  
Nay: None

There was no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC  
City Secretary

David R. Turner  
Mayor