

STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
COUNTIES OF GALVESTON/HARRIS
NOVEMBER 17, 2020

6:30 PM – REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY COUNCIL THAT WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020, AT 6:30 PM AT FRIENDSWOOD CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 910 S. FRIENDSWOOD DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

MAYOR MIKE FOREMAN
MAYOR PRO-TEM TRISH HANKS
COUNCILMEMBER STEVE ROCKEY
COUNCILMEMBER SALLY BRANSON
COUNCILMEMBER ROBERT J. GRIFFON
COUNCILMEMBER BRENT ERENWERT
CITY MANAGER MORAD KABIRI
DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY MICHELLE PEREZ

COUNCILMEMBER JOHN SCOTT, CITY ATTORNEY MARY KAY FISCHER, AND CITY SECRETARY MELINDA WELSH WERE ABSENT FROM THE MEETING.

1. Call to order

Mayor Foreman called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Invocation

The invocation was given by Deacon Paul Robinson with Mary Queen Catholic Church.

3. Pledge of Allegiance – United States and Texas

(HONOR THE TEXAS FLAG; I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THEE, TEXAS, ONE STATE UNDER GOD, ONE AND INDIVISIBLE)

Mayor Foreman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and to the State of Texas.

4. Communications from the Public

Communications from the Public (To comply with provisions of the Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate on items discussed under this agenda item. The Council may refer this item to the City Manager or direct this item to be placed on the next regular

Council agenda. Out of respect for those speaking during public comment, please refrain from any outbursts or interjections to include, but not limited to, applause and/or disparaging noises from the audience. Doing so discourages others from voicing their thoughts and opinions, and disrupts the meeting. Furthermore, any personnel complaints against a City employee aside from the City Manager, City Secretary, City Attorney or Municipal Judge cannot be discussed under this section. Please contact the City Manager's office for concerns involving a City employee.)

Mayor Foreman asked if anyone would like to speak. No one spoke.

5. Ordinance

Consideration and possible action regarding the following:

- A. Ordinance No. T2020-46: First and Final reading of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Friendswood, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of a November 03, 2020, City of Friendswood Special Election for the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; providing for the number of votes by which the Proposition was approved and directing the City Secretary to send a certified copy of this ordinance and a map showing the city's boundaries to the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts.

****Councilmember Hanks moved to approve the First and Final reading of Ordinance No. 2020-46 – An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Friendswood, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of a November 03, 2020, City of Friendswood Special Election for the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; providing for the number of votes by which the Proposition was approved and directing the City Secretary to send a certified copy of this ordinance and a map showing the city's boundaries to the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts. The motion was seconded and approved 6-0.**

PROPOSITION A

For the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.....14,618 votes.

Against the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth

anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.....6,547 votes.

6. Communications from the Mayor and Councilmembers

Councilmember Hanks thanked the citizens of Friendswood for voting for the three-eighths sales tax, it will make our jobs easier.

Mayor Foreman stated it was overwhelmingly approved and is very much appreciated. City Manager Morad Kabiri and city staff did a great job of using the money to fix the streets and getting the word out to people to make them aware that tax money was spent to fix FM 518, as well as many other things.

City Manager Morad Kabiri stated he appreciates that, and the staff did a spectacular job with this entire program the past 4 years. He looks forward to another 4 years ahead of continued street work.

7. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.



Mayor Mike Foreman

Attest:



Melinda Welsh, TRMC
City Secretary

