

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
MAY 18, 2022**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD MET IN A SPECIAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FRIENDSWOOD CITY HALL, LOCATED AT 910 S. FRIENDSWOOD DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT CONSTITUTING A QUORUM:

Trish Hanks	Councilmember
Steve Rockey	Councilmember
Sally Branson	Councilmember
Robert J. Griffon	Mayor Pro Tem
John Scott	Councilmember
Brent Erenwert	Councilmember
 Mike Foreman	 Mayor
 Steven Rhea	 Acting City Manager
Karen Horner	City Attorney
Leticia Brysch	City Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Foreman called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 5:30 P.M.; all members were present.

2. INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Minister Matt Parker with First Baptist Church of Friendswood.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – United States and State of Texas

Mayor Foreman led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance for both the United States and the State of Texas.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Foreman stated that there were no speakers and moved onto the next item.

5. ELECTION CANVASS

A. Canvass the returns of the City of Friendswood General and Special Elections held on May 7, 2022.

City Secretary Lettie Brysch presented the tabulation results to the City Council from the May 7, 2022, General Election and Special Election. Mayor Foreman read out the tabulated results as follows:

The voter summary was as follows:

VOTER SUMMARY	NUMBER OF VOTERS
TOTAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS CAST	456
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST FOR EARLY VOTING	1,389
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST FOR ELECTION DAY	845
TOTAL VOTING PROVISIONAL BALLOTS	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS	23,586
TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CASTS	2,690
VOTER TURNOUT	11.41%

The General Election summary was as follows:

GENERAL ELECTION					
CANDIDATES		TOTAL VOTES CAST			
		Galveston	Harris	Total	%
Councilmember Position No. 4	Robert J. Griffon	1903	204	2107	100.00%
	N/A	0	0	0	0.00%
	TOTALS			2107	100.00%
CANDIDATES		TOTAL VOTES CAST			
		Galveston	Harris	Total	%
Councilmember Position No. 6	Meg Crowley	848	109	957	38.79%
	Brent Erenwert	1365	145	1510	61.21%
	TOTALS			2467	100.00%

The Special Election summary was the following:

SPECIAL ELECTION					
PROPOSITIONS		TOTAL VOTES CAST			
		Galveston	Harris	Total	%
Prop. A - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II "POWERS OF THE CITY," SECTION 2.01 "GENERAL POWERS" OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY WITHIN GALVESTON, HARRIS AND BRAZORIA COUNTIES.	FOR	1312	181	1493	58.32%
	AGAINST	970	97	1067	41.68%
	TOTALS	PASS		2560	100.00%

Prop. B - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III “CITY COUNCIL,” SECTION 3.02 “QUALIFICATIONS,” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO REMOVE THE REFERENCE TO QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO FILE FOR OFFICE FROM THIS SECTION, WHICH PERTAINS TO QUALIFICATIONS WHILE IN OFFICE.	FOR	1035	131	1166	47.40%
	AGAINST	1153	141	1294	52.60%
	TOTALS	FAIL		2460	100.00%
Prop. C - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III “CITY COUNCIL,” SECTION 3.09 “MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO CONFORM MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF STATE LAW.	FOR	1722	224	1946	76.89%
	AGAINST	530	55	585	23.11%
	TOTALS	PASS		2531	100.00%
Prop. D - THE AMENDMENT TO REPEAL AND REPLACE ARTICLE III “CITY COUNCIL,” SECTION 3.11 “ORDINANCES IN GENERAL” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE PROCEDURES FOR THE PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES AND THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES.	FOR	1505	182	1687	68.80%
	AGAINST	683	82	765	31.20%
	TOTALS	PASS		2452	100.00%
Prop. E - THE AMENDMENT TO REPEAL AND REPLACE ARTICLE III “CITY COUNCIL,” SECTION 3.11 “ORDINANCES IN GENERAL” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO UPDATE THE PROCEDURES FOR THE PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES AND THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES.	FOR	1317	153	1470	59.23%
	AGAINST	895	117	1012	40.77%
	TOTALS	PASS		2482	100.00%
Prop. F - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V “INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL,” SECTION 5.06 “ACTION ON PETITIONS,” SUBSECTION (B) “SUBMISSION TO VOTERS” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO REQUIRE A PROPOSED OR REFERRED ORDINANCE BE POSTED ON THE CITY’S WEBSITE INSTEAD OF BEING POSTED AT EACH POLLING LOCATION AND ON THE CITY’S NOTICE BOARDS.	FOR	1365	155	1520	61.27%
	AGAINST	848	113	961	38.73%
	TOTALS	PASS		2481	100.00%
Prop. G - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI “NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS; OATH OF OFFICE,” SECTION 6.04 “CANVASSING AND ELECTION RESULTS,” SUBSECTION (A) “CANVASSING” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO CONFORM THE CANVASSING REQUIREMENTS TO STATE LAW.	FOR	1624	199	1823	74.35%
	AGAINST	558	71	629	25.65%
	TOTALS	PASS		2452	100.00%
Prop. H - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII “FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION,” SECTION 8.03 “ANNUAL BUDGET,” SUBSECTION (A) “CONTENT” AND SUBSECTION (C) “PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO CONFORM BUDGET MATTERS RELATED TO CONTENT AND HEARINGS TO STATE LAW.	FOR	1658	204	1862	75.69%
	AGAINST	535	63	598	24.31%
	TOTALS	PASS		2460	100.00%
Prop. I - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII “FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION,” SECTION 8.05 “BORROWING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS,” SUBSECTION (F) “ELECTIONS TO AUTHORIZE DEBT” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO AUTHORIZE COUNCIL TO ISSUE DEBT ONLY TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW BUT REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.	FOR	1620	214	1834	73.54%
	AGAINST	606	54	660	26.46%

	TOTALS	PASS		2494	100.00%
Prop. J - THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IX “FRANCHISES AND PUBLIC UTILITIES,” SECTION 9.10 “PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS TO FILE ANNUAL REPORTS” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO ALLOW COUNCIL TO DETERMINE WHEN PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS ARE REQUIRED TO FILE ANNUAL REPORTS WITH THE CITY.	FOR	1487	187	1674	68.80%
	AGAINST	683	76	759	31.20%
	TOTALS	PASS		2433	100.00%
Prop. K - AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XI “GENERAL PROVISIONS,” SECTION 11.02 “CITY NEWSPAPER” OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY CHARTER TO REQUIRE THE CITY COUNCIL TO DESIGNATE A PUBLIC NEWSPAPER FOR ITS PUBLICATIONS AT LEAST EVERY TWO YEARS.	FOR	1535	202	1737	71.07%
	AGAINST	644	63	707	28.93%
	TOTALS	PASS		2444	100.00%

Mayor Foreman delivered the election return tally lists, early voting and election day results along with all supporting documentation to the City Secretary, the custodian of election records, who shall preserve them for the required retention period. At 5:37 P.M., Mayor Foreman concluded the canvass of the City's May 7, 2022, General Election and Special Election.

B. Consider an ordinance declaring the results of the City of Friendswood General and Special Elections held on May 7, 2022.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Griffon and seconded by Councilmember Erenwert to approve Ordinance No. 2022-05, regarding Agenda Item 5.B. The vote was the following:

Ayes: Mayor Mike Foreman, Councilmember Trish Hanks, Councilmember Steve Rockey, Councilmember Sally Branson, Mayor Pro Tem Robert J. Griffon, Councilmember John Scott, and Councilmember Brent Erenwert.

Nays: None

The item passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD MAY 7, 2022, CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR POSITION NUMBERS FOUR (4) AND SIX (6) OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD; DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD MAY 2, 2022, CONCERNING ELEVEN (11) PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

6. SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

A. Administer the oaths of office to Robert J. Griffon, Councilmember Position No. Four and Brent Erenwert, Councilmember Position No. Six.

Mayor Foreman presented the certificate of election, and Associate Judge Robert J. Barfield administered the oath of office and statement of elected official for Mayor Pro Tem Robert J. Griffon.

Mayor Foreman presented the certificate of election, and Associate Judge Robert J. Barfield administered the oath office and statement of elected official for Councilmember Brent Erenwert.

Mayor Foreman congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Griffon and Councilmember Erenwert and welcomed all those present to partake of the incoming council reception after the meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to discuss, Mayor Foreman adjourned the May 18, 2022, City Council Special Meeting at 5:43 P.M.

Attest:

Mike Foreman, Mayor

Leticia Brysch, City Secretary