

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BUNKER HILL VILLAGE, TEXAS
August 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Robert Lord called the meeting to order 11:03 a.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 11977 Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas.

Those Present:

Mayor Robert Lord at City Council Chambers
Councilmember Eric Thode via Zoom
Councilmember Susan Schwartz via Zoom
Councilmember Jay Smyre via Zoom
Councilmember Keith Brown via Zoom
Councilmember Laurie Rosenbaum via Zoom

Also in Attendance:

Karen Glynn, City Administrator/Acting City Secretary at City Council Chambers
Steve Smith, Dir. of Public Works/Bldg. Official via Zoom
Loren Smith, City Attorney at City Council Chambers
Jennifer Namie, Assistant to the City Secretary via Zoom
Claire Bogard, Interim Finance Director at City Council Chambers

II. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

III. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BUNKER HILL VILLAGE, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE PROPOSED TAX RATE CONTAINED IN THE CITY'S PROPOSED 2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AS THE CITY'S PROPOSED 2020 TAX RATE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ADOPTION AT A PUBLIC HEARING HELD FOR THAT PURPOSE; DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL WHO SHALL MAKE THE CALCULATIONS AND PROVIDE THE INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE CITY'S 2020 TAX RATE; AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT - *Karen Glynn, City Administrator*

City Administrator Karen Glynn and Interim Finance Director Claire Bogard made a presentation on the proposed tax rate for 2020. The presentation was based on the certified tax roll from Harris County received in July. The new truth in taxation process includes Council action on a proposed tax rate for public comment. The County has sent postcards in accordance with the requirements which will direct property owners to the County website to understand the tax implications on an individual's property. Staff developed

and presented scenarios, based on the certified tax roll, for the three options discussed with City Council at the Budget Workshop in June. Ms. Glynn noted that the tax rate will actually be adopted in September; however, the actual adopted tax rate in September cannot be higher than the proposed tax rate.

A motion was made by Councilmember Brown to propose a 2020 tax rate of .2700 to support the 2021 budget. There was no second and therefore the motion did not carry.

Councilmember Smyre made a motion to propose a 2020 tax rate of .27500 to support the 2021 budget. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Smyre - yes
Councilmember Thode - no
Councilmember Brown – yes
Councilmember Rosenbaum- no
Councilmember Schwartz – no

The vote was 2 to 3, therefore the motion did not carry.

Councilmember Rosenbaum made a motion to propose a 2020 tax rate of .277 to support the 2021 budget. Councilmember Thode seconded the motion. Councilmember Thode noted that he would like to see the tax rate lowered and would like to consider this in September during the actual adoption of the tax rate.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Smyre - no
Councilmember Thode - yes
Councilmember Brown – no
Councilmember Rosenbaum- yes
Councilmember Schwartz – yes

The motion carried by a vote of 3 to 2.

Councilmember Rosenbaum made a motion to propose a debt service rate of .045747 and an operations and maintenance rate of .231253 for a combined proposed 2020 tax rate of .277 to support the 2021 budget.

Roll Call Vote

Councilmember Smyre - no
Councilmember Thode - yes
Councilmember Brown – no
Councilmember Rosenbaum- yes
Councilmember Schwartz – yes

The motion carried by a vote of 3 to 2.

IV. UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES

Karen Glynn noted that the City Council's next meeting will be on August 18, 2020 and staff will be filing the budget at that time.

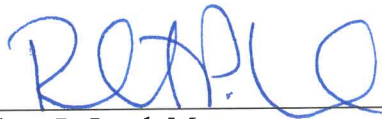
Ms. Glynn also thanked the council and staff for the support provided during her time out of the office.

V. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Councilmember Rosenbaum and seconded by Councilmember Thode to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

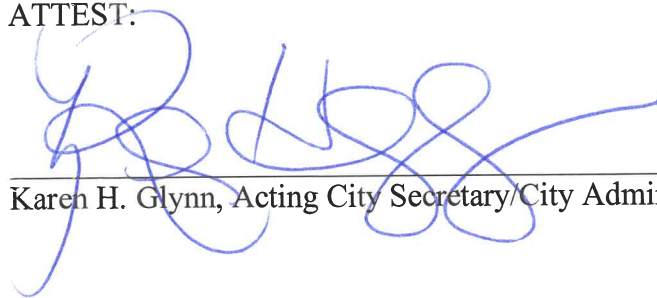
The motion carried 5 – 0.

Approved and accepted on August 18, 2020.



Robert P. Lord, Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen H. Glynn, Acting City Secretary/City Administrator