

Julie Masters, Mayor  
Charles Suderman  
Bruce Henderson  
Walter Wilson

**MINUTES**  
City of Dickinson  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

Wally Deats, Mayor Pro Tem  
Louis Decker  
William H. King III  
Julie M. Robinson, City  
Administrator

**September 13, 2016**

**NOTICE** is hereby given of a **REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council for the City of Dickinson, County of Galveston, State of Texas, to be held on **TUESDAY, September 13, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.** at: 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas 77539 for the purpose of considering the following numbered items. The City Council of the City of Dickinson, Texas, reserves the right to meet in a closed session on any of the below items should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

**ITEM 1.) CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM:**  
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Masters called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. City Secretary Alun Thomas called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, Mayor Pro-Tem Wally Deats, and Council Members Charles Suderman, Bruce Henderson, Walter Wilson, Louis Decker and William H. King, III. Also present were City Administrator Julie Robinson, Administrative Services Manager Stephanie Russell, Director of Community Development Zachary Meadows, Director of Public Works Paul Booth, and Police Chief Ron Morales. Council Member King gave the invocation, and Council Member Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 2.) PROCLAMATIONS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Council Comments:

- Welcome and thank you to all attending.
- Condolences to the family of Dr. John Markey, who passed away last week.
- School is back in session, and lots of school fundraising activities are taking place.
- The Knights of Columbus will host its next Fish Fry on October 7, 2016, and everyone is invited.
- Council Member Suderman thanked all those who have been praying for his daughter, who recently completed the last of her chemotherapy treatments.
- Council Member Deats attended the kickoff for Mainland United Way. The event was well attended, and he would like to see the City or even City employees get involved with the charity.
- Council Member Deats attended the Galveston County Transportation Summit on September 1, 2016. Discussion included upcoming improvements to FM 517 from Interstate 45 to FM 646,

and the work that is being undertaken to determine what is in the Right of Way along the route. Texas Department of Transportation had agreed to the City Administrator's request to attend regular scheduled meetings with the City of Dickinson to address the status of the projects and any concerns.

- Dickinson has been receiving some rainfall recently, with 9/10ths of an inch falling today.
- A couple of weeks ago, Council Member King attended a Town Hall type meeting with local police chiefs and over 100 citizens, during which important social topics were discussed. Thank you to Dickinson Police Chief Ron Morales, all Dickinson Police Captains, Dickinson Police Sergeant Tim Cromie, Dickinson Police Officer Tony Valdez, League City Police Chief Michael Kramm, Galveston County District Attorney Jack Roady, Galveston County Sheriff Henry Trochesset, and to everyone present for a successful event.
- Council Member King would like to see a Council Workshop Meeting scheduled for training in how to respond to an active shooter.
- Dickinson Independent School District hosted the Grand Opening for the Lobit Education Village this evening. The 40 acres that the campus occupies was donated to the District for future educational use by the Lobit family in 1974.
- The Dickinson Gators are already off to a winning season.
- Local churches will hold a "See You At The Station" prayer time outside the Dickinson Police Department on September 21, 2016 at 7:15 a.m.
- The Dickinson VFW Post's annual Veterans Day parade at 9:00 a.m., starting at the Dickinson Independent School District Administration Building. Council Members are invited to participate in the parade.
- The Dickinson Optimist Club's Sixth Annual Golf Tournament will be held on September 21, 2016, at the Bayou Golf Club in Texas City.
- The Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church's Sixth Annual Golf Tournament will be held on October 8, 2016, at the Southwyck Golf Club in Pearland.

**ITEM 3.) PUBLIC COMMENTS:** At this time, any person with city-related business may speak to the Council. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, The City Council may not deliberate. **Comments from the public should be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per individual speaker.**

Charles Williams, 2608 Highway 3, Dickinson, Texas: Mr. Williams' house was recently demolished by order of the Building Standards Commission, and Mr. Williams is upset that when the lot was cleared, items of value such as a stove and lengths of new 2x6 lumber were discarded in the process.

Mary Williams, 2014 Avenue G, Dickinson, Texas: Ms. Williams is Charles Williams' sister and believes that the cost of the demolition and clearing of

the lot was excessive given Mr. Williams' modest means. She said that Mr. Williams was already prepared to perform the work himself but was not given sufficient time to do so. She would like the City to come to an agreement with Mr. Williams concerning the cost of the work performed and how Mr. Williams may pay for the work.

**ITEM 4.) CONSENT AGENDA: CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

The following items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion on these items unless a Council member requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed after the consent agenda.

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of August 23, 2016.
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 23, 2016.
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 30, 2016.
- D. Resolution Number XXX-2016 – **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DICKINSON AND DICKINSON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES BY THE CITY OF DICKINSON TO DICKINSON MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE MAYOR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- E. Resolution Number XXX-2016 – **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR IN EXECUTING A PROPOSAL AND AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS AND PARADIGM CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ENGINEERING AND TESTING SERVICES FOR THE BAYOU CHANTILLY OUTFALL REPAIR PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- F. Resolution Number XXX-2016 – **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR IN EXECUTING A PROPOSAL AND AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS AND PARADIGM CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ENGINEERING AND TESTING**

**SERVICES FOR DICKINSON STREET REHABILITATION – PACKAGE 1; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

- G. Resolution Number XXX-2016 – **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR IN EXECUTING A PROPOSAL AND AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS AND PARADIGM CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ENGINEERING AND TESTING SERVICES FOR DICKINSON STREET REHABILITATION – PACKAGE 2; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Council Member Wilson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member King seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Henderson, Wilson, Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- ITEM 5.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Update on Activities of Galveston County Transit District.

Council Member Deats provided an update on the activities of the Galveston County Transit District meeting of August 24, 2016.

- ITEM 6.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Update of Public Works Projects.

A. Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Street Maintenance Sales Tax Projects [48<sup>th</sup> Street (East of Highway 3), 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (East), 28<sup>th</sup> Street (West of Highway 3), Leonetti Lane, Oleander (Palm to Bridge), and Greenbriar Street].

B. Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Street Maintenance Sales Tax Projects [35<sup>th</sup> Street (East of Kansas Avenue), Nebraska Street, Hollywood Street, Gill Road, Johnson Street, Mariner's Way, Pine Oak Circle].

Public Works Director Paul Booth presented Council with an update on the status of the current Public Works Projects and addressed the questions of Council.

**ITEM 7.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number XXX-2016 – (Zoning Case SUP-16-0372) **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY, ORDINANCE NUMBER 420-2001, AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, TO GRANT SPECIFIC USE PERMIT NUMBER SUP-16-0372 ALLOWING THE APPLICANT TO USE THE PROPERTY FOR A SCHOOL WITH A CERTAIN CONDITION, SUCH PROPERTY BEING LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS ± 2.001 ACRES IN DICKINSON CROSSING (2006) ABSTRACT 19, LOT A, 2.001 ACRES, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 606 FM 517 WEST, GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTH OF FM 517 AND WEST OF EVERGREEN IN THE CITY OF DICKINSON, GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ZONED NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL (“NC”); PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; DIRECTING A CHANGE ACCORDINGLY IN THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000 FOR EACH DAY OF VIOLATION HEREOF; AND PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE, A SAVINGS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second of Three Readings)**

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the ordinance in two readings, and Council Member Suderman seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Henderson, Wilson, Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 8.) PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET AND TAX RATE CONCERNING:** The Proposed Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget and Tax Rate.

Mayor Masters opened the Public Hearing at 7:32 p.m.

A. Presentation of Proposed Budget and Tax Rate.

None.

B. Those In Favor.

None.

C. Those Against.

None.

D. Adjourn Public Hearing.

Mayor Masters adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:32 p.m.

**ITEM 9.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number XXX-2016 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CITY FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR AS REFLECTED IN SAID BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND CONTAINING CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First and Only Reading)

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the ordinance, and Council Member Decker seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Henderson, Wilson, Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

Mayor Masters asked that Item 11 be considered at this time.

**ITEM 11.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ratification of Increased Property Tax Revenues Reflected in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Adopted Pursuant to Ordinance Number XXX-2016.

Mayor Masters read the item by caption only. Council Member King made a motion to approve the ratification of increased property tax revenues reflected in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget adopted pursuant to Ordinance Number 856-2016, and Council Member Decker seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Henderson, Wilson, Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

Mayor Masters returned to Item 10 at this time.

**ITEM 10.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number XXX-2016 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING THE 2016 AD VALOREM TAX (DEBT) RATE AND LEVY OF \$0.076253 PER HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY AND APPROVING THE 2016 AD VALOREM TAX (MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION) RATE AND LEVY OF \$0.332357 PER HUNDRED DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT, LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 2016 AND FOR EACH YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL OTHERWISE PROVIDED; PROVIDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH TAXES SHALL BE DUE AND PAYABLE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST ON ALL TAXES NOT TIMELY PAID; AUTHORIZING EXEMPTIONS; AND PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First and Only Reading)

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Council Member Wilson made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.40861, which is effectively a 3.18 percent increase in the tax rate and to approve the ordinance, and Council Member Suderman seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Henderson, Wilson, Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

**ITEM 12.) PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING:** Complete Comprehensive Plan of the City of Dickinson.

Mayor Masters opened the Public Hearing at 7:36 p.m.

A. Presentation of Complete Comprehensive Plan of the City of Dickinson.

Director of Community Development Zachary Meadows presented the Complete Comprehensive Plan of the City of Dickinson to Council and summarized the feedback received from interested citizens.

B. Those In Favor.

None.

C. Those Against.

None.

D. Adjourn Public Hearing.

Mayor Masters adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

**ITEM 13.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance Number XXX-2016 – **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE CITY OF DICKINSON’S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; AND PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, A SAVINGS CLAUSE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** (First of Three Readings)

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Council Member Deats made a motion to approve the first reading of the ordinance, and Council Member King seconded the motion. Mayor Masters congratulated Council on taking a major step towards fulfilling what has been a requirement of the City Charter since 1977, and Council Member Suderman thanked the Council Members for their work. There being no further discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Wilson, Henderson Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

**ITEM 14.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Ordinance XXX-2016 – **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, REVISING SUBSECTION (f), SCHOOL ZONES, OF SECTION 10-3, TRAFFIC-CONTROL DEVICES, OF CHAPTER 10, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, TO INCORPORATE ALL SCHOOL ZONES PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY OF DICKINSON AND REFLECTED ON THE TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE INVENTORY, SCHEDULE V (DESIGNATED SCHOOL ZONES) INTO SUCH SUBSECTION (f); PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$200 AND THAT EACH DAY DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS OR CONTINUES SHALL BE DEEMED A SEPARATE OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE, A SAVINGS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** (First of Three Readings)

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Council Member Deats made a motion to approve the first reading of the ordinance, and Council Member King seconded the motion. There being no discussion, Mayor Masters called for the vote.

**VOTE:**

6 AYES (Suderman, Wilson, Henderson Deats, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

**MOTION PASSED**

Mayor Masters recessed the regular meeting at 7:42 p.m.

**ITEM 15.) EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The City Council will now hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provision of Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes annotated, in accordance with the authority contained in:

A. Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation or a matter in which the duty of the City Attorney requires to be discussed in closed meeting.

**ITEM 16.) RECONVENE**

Mayor Masters reconvened the regular meeting at 7:52 p.m.

**ITEM 17.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING:** Matters Discussed in Executive Session.

None.

**ITEM 18.) ADJOURN**

Council Member King made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m., and Council Member Deats seconded the motion.

**VOTE:**

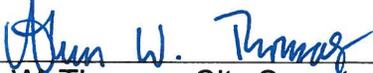
6 AYES (Suderman, Wilson, Henderson Deats, Decker and King)

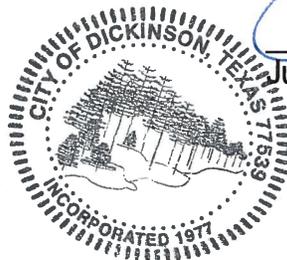
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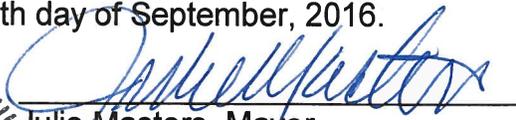
**MOTION PASSED**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 27th day of September, 2016.

**ATTEST:**

  
Alun W. Thomas, City Secretary



  
Julie Masters, Mayor