

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 AT 6:00 PM

## 1. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGES TO FLAGS

Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams II called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Councilmembers Joan Hinshaw (via teleconference), Butch Reis and James Bilberry were all present for the meeting. Mayor Andy Williams and Patrick Ramsdell was absent.

Councilmember James Bilberry performed the Invocation and Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams led the Pledges to the Flags.

### 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Kara Escajeda provided an update on the following matters:

- COVID update
- Construction Projects update
- Events update

### 3. CITIZENS/VISITORS' FORUM

Any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

There weren't any citizens wishing to comment or to address the City Council.

#### 4. STAFF REPORTS

- -Public Works report was provided by Chris Atkinson, Public Works Director
- -Police Department report was provided by Chief Michael Hatton
- -Acadian Ambulance report was provided by Elizabeth Hicks, Operations Coordinator
- -Central Bell Fire and Rescue (Absent, report provided)

#### CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of September 2, 2021 and Monthly Financial Report.

Motion was made by Councilmember Butch Reis to approve the Consent Agenda; motion was second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

#### 6. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Discuss and possibly set Tax Rate for FY 2021\_2022, Budget is available at: <a href="https://www.nolanvilletx.gov/page/Financial%20Transparency">https://www.nolanvilletx.gov/page/Financial%20Transparency</a>.
  - 1.) Public Hearing

    Public Hearing opened at 6:24pm.

    Public Hearing at 6:26pm.
  - 2.) Staff Comments

    Kara Escajeda, City Manager provided a summary of the proposed Tax Rate.

    She explained the tax rate to be ratified on September 16, 2021
  - 3.) Discuss and possibly approve by recorded vote: ORDINANCE NO. F 21-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NOLANVILLE, TEXAS, SETTING A PROPERTY (AD VALOREM) TAX RATE AND APPROVING THE 2021-2022 AD VALOREM TAX RATE AND LEVY OF (\$0.4674) PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100) OF ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

Motion was made Councilmember James Bilberry to approve Ordinance No. F 21-09, setting a property Tax Rate and approving the 2021-2022 AD Valorem Tax Rate and Levy; motion was second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion was carried 4-0.

Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams II asked the Councilmembers to state their recorded vote for the record. <u>Recorded vote</u> as follows:

	Aye	Nay	<b>Abstention</b>
Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II	<u>X</u>	<u>o</u>	<u>o</u>
Councilmember Joan Hinshaw	<u>X</u>	<u>o</u>	<u>o</u>
<b>Councilmember Butch Reis</b>	<u>X</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>o</u>
<b>Councilmember Patrick Ramsdell</b>	<u>Absent</u>		
Councilmember James Bilberry	X	<u>o</u>	<u>o</u>

Mayor Andy Williams was absent and mayoral vote not required.

B. Discuss and possibly approve Memorandum of Understanding with iChooser iChooser for group purchasing power in the procurement of retail energy (electricity) services; the intent is to offer Residents an opportunity to register and participate in the Texas Power Switch program (TPS program), whereupon ICHOOSR will arrange a competitive bidding process for retail energy suppliers in order to procure competitive electricity rates for participating Residents.

Motion was made by Councilmember James Bilberry to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with iChooser iChoosr; motion was second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Discuss and possibly approve Scope of Services Proposal from Brandstetter Carrol INC. for JW Sims Community Center renovation and expansion.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams II to approve the Scope of Services Proposal from Brandstetter Carrol INC. for JW Sims Community Center renovation and expansion; motion second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Discuss and possibly authorize additional position in order to contract for Police Academy Cadet Sponsorship and possibly approve PEACE OFFICER TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT.

Motion was made Councilmember James Bilberry to authorize additional position in order to contract for Police Academy Cadet Sponsorship and possibly approve PEACE OFFICER TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT; motion second by Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams II. All voted favor. Motion carried 4-0.

E. Discuss and possibly approve message board purchase from All Traffic Solutions Buy Board Vendor #608-20 for \$13,284, utilizing American Rescue Funding.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David C. Williams II to approve message board purchase from All Traffic Solutions Buy Board Vendor #608-20 for \$13,284, utilizing American Rescue Funding; motion second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

## 7. Workshop

Discussion commenced on the following matters:

- Council objectives & Board/Staff actions for FY 2021-2022
- Review State of the City presentation available online at: https://www.nolanvilletx.gov/upload/page/0056/FY 21 22 9.9.2021.pdf

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Andy Williams, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Date Minutes approved by Council: October 7, 2021

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Crystal Briggs, City Secretary