

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas met at the City Council Chambers, Room No. 161, located at 200 E. McAlpine Street at 6:00 p.m., Navasota, Texas on the above date with the following being present:

**Bernie Gessner, Councilmember, Place # 1  
Geoff Horn, Councilmember, Place # 2  
Bert Miller, Mayor, Place # 4  
Grant E. Holt, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place # 5**

**(Josh M. Fultz, Councilmember, Place # 3 was absent.)**

Thus constituting a quorum.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Brad Stafford, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Michael Mize, Lieutenant; Jonathan Soresbee, Intern; Emily Gainey, Marketing and Communications Coordinator; Jeff Greer, Director of Utilities; Kathrine Thogersen, Administrative Assistant; Hung Mai, IT Specialist; Michael Garcia, Police Officer; Richard Green, Utility Technician; Pat Berry, Parks and Recreation Foreman; Alexis Bell, Communication Supervisor; Adam Dodson, Investigator; Douglas Franklin, Heavy Equipment Operator; Emily Gainey, Marketing and Communication Coordinator; Rodrigo Hernandez, Street Maintenance Laborer; Richard Green, Utility Technician; Sain Sanchez, Street Maintenance Laborer; and Enrique Padron, Truck Driver.

**VISITORS:** Harriett Bellmyer, Cissy Garcia, Ana Cosino, Andre Perrard, Deborah Richardson, Vicki Spiess, Maria Hernandez, Josefina Hernandez, and Edgar Hernandez.

**THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WERE TAKEN UP IN DUE ORDER AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Mayor Bert Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Invocation was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt. The City Council, staff members and visitors then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.
3. Remarks of visitors: None.

4. Staff report:
  - (a) Marketing and Communication Coordinator, Emily Gainey, gave an update on Home for the Holidays;
  - (b) City Manager, Brad Stafford, thanked the staff, community volunteers and other agencies for their work in preparing for George H. W. Bush's funeral procession that came through Navasota on Train 4141;
  - (c) Mayor Bert Miller proclaimed April as "Fair Housing Month" for the Community Development Block Grant;
  - (d) Councilmember Geoff Horn gave an update on the latest Library meeting. Mayor Bert Miller gave an update on the latest Planning and Zoning meeting; and
  - (e) City Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events.
5. The City Council recognized and thanked the following individuals for their service and who celebrated work anniversaries in 2018:  
  
  - 5 years: Pat Berry, Lupe Diosdado, Rodrigo Hernandez and Sain Sanchez
  - 10 years: Jeff Greer, Adam Dodson, Edwin Sandoval and Alexis Bell
  - 15 years: Douglas Franklin
  - 20 years: Michael Garcia and Rita Pullin
6. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve Resolution No. 650-18, designating authorized signatories for contractual documents for requesting funds pertaining to the 2018 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TXCDBG) contract number 7218330, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each member present voting AYE, the motion carried.
7. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve Resolution No. 651-18, adopting required CDBG Civil Rights policies, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
8. Councilmember Geoff Horn moved to accept the sidewalk improvements and approval of the reimbursement of the expenses for the sidewalk improvements in the amount of \$225,500.00, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve the Energy Audit Agreement with Ameresco, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
10. Councilmember Geoff Horn moved to approve the combine Anti-Drug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Plan, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
11. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to appoint Ronnie Wells to the Board of Adjustments and Martha Newsome to the Airport Advisory Committee, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
12. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve the request from the Law Office of Cary L. Bovey, PLLC for an increase in the law firms hourly billing rate from \$135/hour to \$145/hour as well as an increase of \$200.00 from \$1,400.00 to \$1,600.00 in the flat fee amount to travel to Navasota to prosecute in Municipal Court and meet with the City Council as needed, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
13. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the consent agenda items which include the minutes and expenditures for the month of November 2018 and the second reading of Ordinance No. 873-18, amending Appendix A, Article A5.000, Public Works: of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Navasota, Texas regarding fee schedules, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
14. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

  
**BERT MILLER, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

  
**SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY**

