

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2021**

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  
Pattie Pederson, Councilmember, Place # 2  
Josh M. Fultz, Councilmember, Place # 3  
Bert Miller, Mayor, Place # 4  
Grant E. Holt, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place # 5**

Thus constituting a quorum.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Brad Stafford, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Lupe Diosdado, Development Services Director; Rayna Willenbrink, Economic Development Specialist; Shawn Myatt, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager; Cary Bovey, Legal Counsel; Jennifer Reyna, Administrative Assistant; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Tiffany Sammons, Library Director; and Julie Harper, Utility Billing Manager.

**VISITORS:** Connie Clements, Mac Vaughn, Doris Sauls, R. J. Sauls, Deborah Richardson, Myra Dickson, Marco Khar, Marco Barraza, Julie Dierlam, Dominique Dierlam, John M. Fernald and Larry Harrin.

**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 Mac Vaughn. 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: Tammy Bailes addressed the City Council about Child Abuse Awareness month in April and the services that Scotty's House offers.
4. Staff report:
  - a) Mayor Bert Miller read a proclamation proclaiming April 2021 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Navasota, Texas.

b) City Manager Brad Stafford gave an update on the Railroad Street drainage project;

c) City Manager Brad Stafford gave an update on the downtown streetscape project;

d) City Manager Brad Stafford gave an update on facility operations according to the Governor's new order;

e) Councilmember Pattie Pederson gave an update on the latest airport meeting. Councilmember Bernie Gessner gave an update on the latest Planning and Zoning meeting;

f) Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events.

5. A public hearing was held regarding a zoning change application submitted to the City of Navasota by Texas Group Development, LLC, for the property located along Dove Crossing Ln, Navasota, Grimes County, Texas 77868. The zoning change application requests to change the zoning from R-1A: high density, single dwelling unit, 7,000 square foot lot, residential district to Navasota Hills PUD, a 4,500 square foot lot planned unit development for the development of a single dwelling unit subdivision. The property affected is legally described as dove Crossing, Block 7, Lot 5, Acres 5.08. Mayor Bert Miller opened the hearing at 6:14 p.m. Development Services Director Lupe Diosdado gave an overview of the project. Citizen Larry Harrin addressed the City Council with his concerns about the flooding issue. With no other comments from the public, Mayor Bert Miller closed the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

6. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 958-21, approving a zoning change application submitted to the City of Navasota by Texas Group Development, LLC, for the property located along Dove Crossing Ln, Navasota, Grimes County, Texas 77868. The zoning change application requests to change the zoning from R-1A: high density, single dwelling unit, 7,000 square foot lot, residential district to Navasota Hills PUD, a 4,500 square foot lot planned unit development for the development of a single dwelling unit subdivision. The property affected is legally described as dove Crossing, Block 7, Lot 5, Acres 5.08, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with voting AYE, the motion carried.

7. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 959-21, prohibiting the use of engine brakes in the City of Navasota, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

8. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve allowing customers to enter into a payment contract with up to six (6) months to pay the bill along with the waiver of late fees and penalties for that billing cycle, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. Councilmember Josh Fultz moved to approve the library card agreement, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

10. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

  
**BERT MILER, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

  
**SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY**

