

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2022**

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
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: Jason Weeks, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Jennifer Reyna, Administrative Assistant; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Lupe Diosdado, Development Services Director; Rayna Willenbrink, Economic Development Specialist and Michael Mize, Lieutenant.

VISITORS: Mac Vaughn, Connie Clements, Michael Dearing and Deborah Richardson.

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: None.
4. Staff report:
 - a) Lieutenant Michael Mize gave a report on the Blue Santa event;
 - (b) There was not a Boards and Commission update; and
 - (c) Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events.
5. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve the bid award for the Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) to Pappas Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$124,600 which includes the base bid of \$107,000; Alternate Bid No. 1 for \$14,000 for the Thunder Strike Alert and Alternate Bid No. 2 for \$3,500 for the Ultra Sonic Wind Sensor, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.

6. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to accept the Navasota Police Department's 2021 Racial Profiling Data Report and that the report be placed on file, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
7. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 991-22, authorizing participation with Entergy Service Area Cities in matters concerning Entergy Texas, Inc. at the Public Utility Commission in 2022 and authorizing the hiring of lawyers and rate experts, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
8. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve Resolution No. 709-22, regarding a five-year lease purchase financing agreement with Government Capital Corporation for the purpose of procuring heavy equipment, vehicle and related equipment in the total amount of \$1,033,020.60, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember present voting AYE, the motion carried.
9. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to accept the City of Navasota's quarterly investment report for December 2021, seconded by Councilmember Pattie Pederson and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
10. Mayor Bert Miller moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 990-22, authorizing the City of Navasota's participation in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program pursuant to the Texas Enterprise Zone Act, Chapter 2303, Texas Government Code, providing incentives, designating a liaison for communication with interested parties, and nominating the qualified business known as Champion Home Builders, Inc., for the property located at 9601 Industrial Drive, Navasota, Grimes County, Texas 77868, legally described as A0046 J Moore, Tract 72, Acres 20.00, as an Enterprise Project to the Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism through the Economic Development Bank ("Bank"), seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
17. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m.


BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY

