

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Robb Erickson
Councilmember Kelly Smith
Councilmember Jesús Valdez
Councilmember Todd Arvidson
Councilmember Kay Bower

Councilmembers Absent:

Mayor Pro-Tem Lisa Swint

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Manager
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Courtney Billi, Assistant City Secretary
Robyn Achu, Finance/HR Director
Ron Eberhardt, Police Chief
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director
Linda Crosland, Library Director
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

With a quorum of the City Councilmembers present, Mayor Erickson called the special meeting of the Garden Ridge City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2023, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Erickson led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

3. Proclamations/Presentations**a) Davenport High School Presentation.**

Principal DeLoach spoke regarding Davenport High School and Coach Zimmerhanzel spoke regarding Davenport High School Athletics.

4. Citizen Comment Period

No one signed up to speak.

5. Consent Agenda

THESE ITEMS MAY BE ACTED UPON IN A SINGLE MOTION. NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OR ACTION ON THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD UNLESS REQUESTED BY A COUNCILMEMBER. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS MAY BE HEARD DURING CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION; HOWEVER, THAT DOES NOT MEAN THE ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED OUTSIDE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

- a) Approval of Minutes for the June 13, 2023, City Council Special Meeting.**
- b) Financial Statement, Summary Report, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations – May 31, 2023.**
- c) Designate Comal County Tax Assessor-Collector to calculate 2023 Tax Rate for the City of Garden Ridge.**
- d) Bexar Metro 9-1-1 Network Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Plan and Budget.**

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Bower, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve Consent Agenda items a)-d). The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Staff Reports

a) City Manager Monthly Activity Report.

City Manager Nancy Cain reviewed employee anniversaries and a thank you note recognizing City Staff. She stated there were 415 *Volunteer Garden Ridge!* hours for the month of June and spoke regarding the 4th of July Event, First Friday, Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Walkable Community Workshop, and the FY2024 Budget and Tax Rate Schedule.

b) Finance/HR Monthly Activity Report.

Finance/HR Director Robyn Achu spoke regarding continuity of operations related to the Finance/HR Department.

c) City Secretary Monthly Activity Report.

City Secretary Marisa Spencer reviewed the monthly activity report and spoke regarding continuity of operations related to the Administrative Department.

d) Police Department Monthly Activity Report.

Chief Eberhardt reviewed the monthly activity report and spoke regarding continuity of operations related to the Police Department.

e) Public Works Department Monthly Activity Report.

Public Works Director Steven Steinmetz reviewed the monthly activity report and spoke regarding continuity of operations related to the Public Works Department.

f) Library Monthly Activity Report.

Library Director Linda Crosland reviewed the monthly activity report and spoke regarding continuity of operations related to the Library.

7. City Engineer Projects Status Reports

City Engineer Sam Johnson reviewed the City Engineer monthly activity report and addressed questions from Councilmembers.

8. City Commission and Committee Reports/Recommendations/Possible Actions

a) Planning and Zoning Commission:

1. Master Development Plan for Eric T. Fischer project, Sinners & Saints, located at 19186 FM 2252, composed of a 1.4-acre parcel and a 1.7-acre parcel south of 19295 FM 2252 in Garden Ridge, Texas.

Eric T. Fischer presented his Master Development Plan and addressed questions from Councilmembers.

1.1. Receive recommendation from Planning and Zoning Commission.

Chair Diaz stated the Commission recommends approval of the Master Development Plan for Eric T. Fischer project, Sinners & Saints, located at 19186 FM 2252.

1.2. Discuss and take action.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Valdez, seconded by Councilmember Bower, to deny the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission and deny the Master Development Plan for Eric T. Fischer project, Sinners & Saints, located at 19186 FM 2252. The City Council voted two (2) for and two (2) opposed (Councilmember Smith and Councilmember Arvidson). There being a tie vote, Mayor Erickson voted opposed. The motion failed by a vote of 2-3.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Arvidson, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation and approve the Master Development Plan for Eric T. Fischer project, Sinners & Saints, located at 19186 FM 2252. The City Council voted two (2) for and two (2) opposed (Councilmember Valdez and Councilmember Bower). There being a tie vote, Mayor Erickson voted for. The motion passed by a vote of 3-2.

2. Receive monthly activity update as applicable.

Chair Diaz provided City Council with an update on items discussed during the Commission's meeting.

b) Water Commission:

Mayor Erickson stated the Commission did not meet in June and there are no updates at this time.

c) Parks Committee:

Rod Chamberlain, Parks Committee, provided City Council with an update on the committee's projects.

9. Approvals and Authorizations

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and action.

- a) Ordinance No. 143-072023 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, granting an exclusive Municipal Materials Management Agreement between the City of Garden Ridge and BFI Waste Services of Texas, L.P., dba/Republic Services of San Antonio a Texas Limited Partnership, for the collection and disposal of solid waste and recycling service; authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement; setting forth general specifications establishing rates for collections and disposal of solid waste and recycling services; providing for enforcement and the collection of established rates; providing a penalty for violations of this ordinance of a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00 and making each day a separate offense; providing a cumulative and savings clause; providing for severability; and declaring an effective date.**

Mayor Erickson spoke regarding Ordinance No. 143 and stated that City Council will take action on the selection of service option during the July 17, 2023, City Council Special Meeting and take action on Ordinance No. 143 during the August 2, 2023, City Council Regular Meeting.

- b) Ordinance No. 22-072023 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, regulating traffic on streets, roads, and highways within the City of Garden Ridge by establishing stop sign locations and placement of traffic control devices; establishing prima facie speed limits and placement of traffic control devices; establishing through truck traffic regulations and placement of traffic control devices; establishing "no parking zones"; regulating and requiring permits for certain assemblages and processions; providing a penalty; providing for severability; and declaring an effective date.**

City Manager Nancy Cain spoke regarding amendments to Ordinance No. 22-072023.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Valdez, seconded by Councilmember Bower, to approve Ordinance No. 22-072023 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, regulating traffic on streets, roads, and highways within the City of Garden Ridge by establishing stop sign locations and placement of traffic control devices; establishing prima facie speed limits and placement of traffic control devices; establishing through truck traffic regulations and placement of traffic control devices; establishing "no parking zones"; regulating and requiring permits for certain assemblages and processions; providing a penalty; providing for severability; and declaring an effective date. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

c) Davenport High School Homecoming Parade.

Mayor Erickson spoke regarding the Davenport High School Homecoming Parade.

The City Council agreed by consensus to continue supporting the Davenport High School Homecoming Parade.

d) 2023 Texas Legislative Session.

Mayor Erickson and Councilmember Valdez provided updates related to the 2023 Texas Legislative Session.

10. Updates

a) City Council Projects.

1. Mitigation of growth and encroachment impacts on Garden Ridge (Swint and Erickson).

Mayor Erickson stated there are no updates at this time.

2. Great Springs Project (Swint and Valdez).

Councilmember Valdez provided updates related to the Great Springs Project.

3. Economic Development/Council Liaison to Tri-County Chamber of Commerce (Smith and Bower).

Councilmember Smith and Councilmember Bower provided updates related to Economic Development and Tri-County Chamber of Commerce.

4. Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee Update (Valdez and Erickson).

Councilmember Valdez provided updates related to the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee.

5. Council Liaison to the Water Company/Utilities Department (Valdez and Erickson).

Councilmember Valdez provided updates related to the Water Company/Utilities Department.

6. Council Liaison to Comal ISD (Arvidson and Erickson).

Mayor Erickson and Councilmember Arvidson provided updates related to Comal ISD.

7. City Welcome Signage (Bower and Erickson).

Councilmember Bower provided updates related to City Welcome Signage.

11. Discussion of Future Agenda Items

Councilmember Arvidson requested to present Eagle Scouts with certificates of recognition.

12. Citizen Comment Period

Sharon Stripling, 21729 Forest Waters Circle, spoke regarding City events, the garbage service options, Davenport High School Homecoming Parade, and development in the City of Garden Ridge.

Rod Chamberlain, 8807 Cherokee Path, spoke regarding the garbage service options.

13. Reports and Comments from Mayor and City Councilmembers

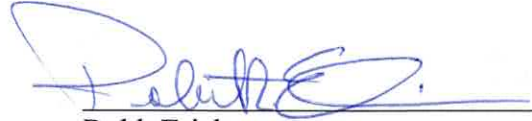
The Mayor and/or City Councilmembers may comment, make general announcements, and/or provide progress reports on events, activities and/or committees/board meetings concerning the following:

Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, Boy Scouts and/or Girl Scouts, City of Garden Ridge sponsored events and outreach efforts, Comal ISD (Garden Ridge Elementary/Danville Middle School/Davenport High School), Counties (Bexar/Comal/Guadalupe), Families of Garden Ridge, Garden Ridge Lions Club, Garden Ridge Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association/Citizen Patrol, Garden Ridge Women's Club, Greater Bexar County Council of Cities, Hill Country Alliance, Northeast Partnership, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Tri-County Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember Smith spoke regarding Tri-County Chamber of Commerce events. Mayor Erickson spoke regarding Families of Garden Ridge Adopt-A-Highway Program.

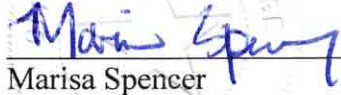
14. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Tuesday, July 11, 2023, City Council special meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. by Mayor Erickson.



Robb Erickson
Mayor

ATTEST



Marisa Spencer
City Secretary