

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Robb Erickson
Councilmember Kelly Smith
Councilmember Lisa Swint
Councilmember Jesús Valdez
Councilmember Brian Reyes

Councilmembers Absent:

Mayor Pro-Tem Todd Arvidson

City Staff Present:

Nancy Cain, City Manager
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Cyndi Simmons, Assistant City Secretary
Robyn Achu, Finance/HR Director
Ron Eberhardt, Chief of Police
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director
Linda Crosland, Library Director
Natalie Thamm, 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 Monday, August 26, 2024, 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. Citizen Comment Period: No one signed up to speak.

4. Business Items

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

a) Proposed FY2025 Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge General Fund, Water Company Operation and Maintenance Fund, Interest and Sinking Fund, and Capital Improvements Fund.

1. Presentation of Budgets.

Finance/HR Director Robyn Achu reviewed the Proposed FY2025 Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge.

2. Hold a public hearing.

Mayor Erickson opened the public hearing at 6:11 p.m.

No one wished to speak, and City Secretary Marisa Spencer stated no written comments were submitted.

Mayor Erickson closed the public hearing at 6:12 p.m.

3. Adoption of Fiscal Year 2025 Budgets:

3.1. Resolution No. 523-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Valdez, to approve Resolution No. 523-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 General Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.



3.2. Resolution No. 524-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Water Company Operation and Maintenance Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Valdez, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve Resolution No. 524-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Water Company Operation and Maintenance Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

3.3. Resolution No. 525-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Interest and Sinking Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Reyes, seconded by Councilmember Swint, to approve Resolution No. 525-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Interest and Sinking Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

3.4. Resolution No. 526-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Improvements Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Swint, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve Resolution No. 526-082024 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Garden Ridge, Texas, approving Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Improvements Fund Budget for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

b) Ratify the property tax increase of \$52,809.00 as reflected in the Fiscal Year 2025 Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge General Fund and Interest and Sinking Fund.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Valdez, seconded by Councilmember Reyes, to ratify the property tax increase of \$52,809.00 as reflected in the Fiscal Year 2025 Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge General Fund and Interest and Sinking Fund. The City Council voted four (4) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Citizen Comment Period

Sharon Stripling, 21729 Forest Waters Circle, spoke regarding city expenditures and the tax rate proposal.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Monday, August 26, 2024, City Council special meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m. by Mayor Erickson.

ATTEST


Marisa Spencer
City Secretary


Robb Erickson
Mayor