

REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 P.M. SEPTEMBER 16, 2024
160 BLACKBURN STREET
RENO CITY HALL

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order. Mayor Stacey Nichols called meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.
- II. Invocation. Led by David Hamilton.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance to United States and Texas Flags.
- IV. Roll Call. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Joey McCarthy. Council members present: Richard Manning, Amanda Willows, Bill Ruthart and Brandon Thomas. Also present: Mayor Stacey Nichols, City Attorney David Hamilton and City Secretary Tricia Smith taping the minutes. ****Bill Ruthart left the meeting at 6:14 P.M.****Joey McCarthy joined the meeting at 6:53 P.M.****
- V. THE ITEMS IN THIS AGENDA MAY BE DISCUSSED AND VOTED ON IN ANY ORDER THE PRESIDING OFFICER MAY PREFER.
- VI. Citizens may issue comments for topics that do not appear on this agenda. In accordance with existing law, the City Council cannot discuss, deliberate or take action on any item or topic that is not so scheduled on this agenda. Public comments requiring action or deliberation of the council may be scheduled on following regular agendas. Comments limited to three (3) minutes.
 - a. Citizen Comments. No one signed up to speak.
 - b. Upcoming events. Mayor Nichols reminded everyone of the following events:
Fall Clean Up October 12-13, 2024 from 7 AM until 7 PM, Aaron Tippit Concert October 19, 2024 and Reno Monster Mash October 26, 2024 from 2 PM until 6 PM.
- VII. Consent item; Discuss/take action:
 - a. Monthly bills and purchase orders for August 2024.
 - b. Minutes for August 2024 City Council Meetings.
 - c. Financial Update for August 2024.
 - d. Monthly Activity reports for August 2024 from:
 - i. Police Department.
 - ii. Public Works Department.
 - iii. Reno Volunteer Fire Department.Council member Willows moved, with a second from Council member Manning, to approve consent items as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

- VIII. **“PUBLIC HEARING”**- regarding City of Reno's proposed tax rate for Fiscal year 2024-2025. Public hearing opened at 6:04 P.M. No one present to speak. Public hearing closed at 6:05 P.M.
- IX. **“PUBLIC HEARING”**: regarding City of Reno’s proposed budget for Fiscal year 2024-2025. Public hearing opened at 6:05 P.M. No one present to speak. Public hearing closed at 6:05 P.M.
- X. **“PUBLIC HEARING”** to consider a zone change request at 5360 Brianna Drive, Reno Texas, from R-2 to B-1 Commercial: as requested by Stacy Huddleston, owner. Public hearing opened at 6:15 P.M. No one present to speak. Public hearing closed at 6:15 P.M.
- XI. **“DISCUSS/MAKE TAKE ACTION”** to consider a zone change request at 5360 Brianna Drive, Reno Texas, from R-2 to B-1 Commercial: as requested by Stacy Huddleston, owner. No action needed for this item. The property owner withdrew the zone change request.
- XII. **“PUBLIC HEARING”** to consider a Final Plat of Shiflet Addition. All reference is made to the following legal description and record: Property is within the corporate limits of the City of Reno, Lamar County, Texas. Being 2.00 acres of land, situated approximately 5.0 miles north 81 East of the Lamar County, Texas Court House, being part of the Stephens Peters Survey Abstract Number 716 and being all of a called 2.00-acre tract of land conveyed from Kyle D. King and Hildegard King to Mark Shiflet and Michelle Shiflet on November 7, 2023 by gift deed recorded in Lamar County Clerks Document Number 208725-2023. Public hearing opened at 6:16 P.M. Michelle Shiflet 6135 Pine Mill Road addressed Council requesting approval of the Final Plat of the Shiflet Addition. No one else present to speak. Public hearing closed at 6:18 P.M.
- XIII. **“DISCUSS/MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS”** to consider a Final Plat of Shiflet Addition. All reference is made to the following legal description and record: Property is within the corporate limits of the City of Reno, Lamar County, Texas. Being 2.00 acres of land, situated approximately 5.0 miles north 81 East of the Lamar County, Texas Court House, being part of the Stephens Peters Survey Abstract Number 716 and being all of a called 2.00-acre tract of land conveyed from Kyle D. King and Hildegard King to Mark Shiflet and Michelle Shiflet on November 7, 2023 by gift deed recorded in Lamar County Clerks Document Number 208725-2023. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Manning, to approve the Final Plat of the Shiflet Addition. Motion carried 3-0.
- XIV. Business-Discuss/Take action on:

- a. Request for easement and cabinet installation by Andrea Franklin, doing business as Brighton Broadband Inc. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Manning, to approve the easement and cabinet installation agreement as presented. Motion carried 4-0.
- b. Drainage concerns at 255 Chisolm Trail. Terri Gaines addressed Council stating that she is frustrated with drainage problems caused by the new duplexes next door. Ms. Gaines also stated that she's ready to sell her home since the developer will not help her. No action taken.
- c. Approve property tax rate for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Willows, that the property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .468, of that .362 percent is for M&O and .106 percent is for I&S. Motion carried 4-0.
- d. Adoption of Ordinance No. 342, making appropriations for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Willows, to adopt Ordinance No. 342, making appropriations for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion carried 4-0.
- e. Ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Willows, to ratify the property tax revenue increase reflected in the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion carried 4-0.
- f. Adoption of Ordinance No. 444, levying ad valorem taxes for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Manning, to adopt Ordinance No. 444, levying ad valorem taxes for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. Motion carried 4-0.
- g. Budget amendment to move \$11,400 from the fund balance to Contract Labor 02-00-7120, for demolishing structures at 850 Anderson Road and 6760 Pine Mill Road. Council member Willows moved, with a second from Council member Ruthart, to approve budget amendment as requested. Motion carried 4-0.
- h. Budget amendment to move \$30,907.00 to Vehicle Purchase 01-10-7663 from the fund balance/ARPA funds. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Willows, to approve budget amendment as requested. Motion carried 4-0.
- i. Board of Adjustments membership appointments, Article 14, Chapter 11, Section 10:03 Organization. Council member Manning moved, with a second from Council member Willows, to approve Board of Adjustment appointments, Article 14, Chapter 11, Section 10:03 Organization:
Amanda Willows appointed David Brooks.
Joey McCarthy appointed Charles Grissom.
Brandon Thomas appointed Jason Taylor.
Bill Ruthart appointed Jeff Kinslow.
Richard Manning appointed Bob Ricks.
Mayor Nichols appointed Derald Bulls as alternate.
Motion carried 5-0.
- j. Updates and repairs needed for the Waste Water Treatment Plant and budgeting. Mike Tibbets with Hayter Engineering updated Council on the bidding process for this project. No action taken.

- k. Construction plans for Reno Volunteer Fire Department and budgeting. No action taken.
- l. Surplus Fire Engine. Council member Thomas moved, with a second from Council member Manning, to sell the 1999 KME Fire Truck with Councils approval. Motion carried 4-0.
- m. Annual evaluations for the City Secretary, Police Chief, Public Works Supervisor, Emergency Management Coordinator and City Attorney. Council entered into executive session at 7:12 P.M. Council returned to open session at 8:03 P.M. Evaluations were completed in executive session. No action taken.

XV. Adjourn. Mayor Nichols adjourned meeting at 8:03 P.M.

Stacey Nichols, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tricia Smith, City Secretary