

CITY OF ROCKPORT

MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

1:00 p.m., Monday, May 2, 2016

Rockport City Hall, 622 East Market Street

On the 2nd day of May 2016, the City Council of the City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, convened in Special Session at 1:00 p.m., at the regular meeting place in City Hall, and notice of meeting giving time, place, date and subject was posted as described in V.T.C.A., Government Code § 551.041.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Charles J. Wax
Mayor Pro-Tem Pat Rios, Ward 3
Council Member Rusty Day, Ward 1
Council Member Barbara Gurtner, Ward 4

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER(S) ABSENT

Council Member J. D. Villa, Ward 2

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Kevin Carruth
City Secretary Teresa Valdez

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Opening Agenda

1. Call to Order.

With a quorum of the Council Members present, the Special Meeting of the Rockport City Council was called to order by Mayor Wax at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2016, in the Council Chambers of the Rockport City Hall, 622 E. Market Street, Rockport, Texas.

Regular Agenda

2. Deliberate and act on authorizing Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal Hyde and Zech to provide legal services.

Mayor Wax stated that at the conclusion of the last Council meeting the Council had tasked the City Manager with reviewing legal services for contemplated litigation.

City Manager Kevin Carruth said that City Attorney Terry Baiamonte had asked Texas Municipal League General Counsel Scott Houston for recommendations for this type of work and Mr. Houston had recommended Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal Hyde and Zech.

Mayor Wax stated the Council would further discuss this in Executive Session.

Executive Session

City Council will hold an executive session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- 3. Section 551.071(1)(A) Consultation with Attorney on pending or contemplated litigation: Texaz Construction and AZ Southwest Properties.**
- 4. Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property: Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property: 1100 block of East North Street, between Austin Street and Water Street.**

At 1:02 p.m., Mayor Wax convened the Rockport City Council into an executive session pursuant to provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071(1)(A) Consultation with Attorney on pending or contemplated litigation: Texaz Construction and AZ Southwest Properties; and Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property-Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property: 1100 block of East North Street, between Austin Street and Water Street.

Open Session

- 5. City Council will reconvene into open session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to take any actions necessary related to the executive sessions noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.**

At 1:42 p.m., Mayor Wax reconvened the Rockport City Council into open session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to take any necessary actions related to the executive sessions noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.

MOTION: In reference to Agenda Item #2, Mayor Wax moved that the City Council authorize the City Manager to pursue a contractual agreement with Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal Hyde and Zech to provide legal services in relation to Executive Session Item #3 – Consultation with Attorney on pending or contemplated litigation: Texas Construction and AZ Southwest Properties. Mayor Pro-Tem Rios seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mayor Wax moved that City Council authorize the City Manager to obtain the latest draft of the lease agreement with the Rockport Art Association, Inc. and provide it to the Executive Director of the Rockport Center for the Arts in order to move forward in reference to Executive Session Item #4 – Deliberation regarding real property – Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property: 1100 block of East North Street, between Austin Street and Water Street. Mayor Pro-Tem Rios seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager asked if the Council wanted to schedule a Special Meeting to address the lease agreement before the May 9, 2016 Rockport Art Association escrowed contract deadline.

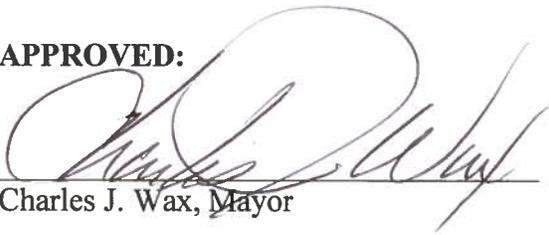
It was the consensus of the Council to schedule two Special Meetings; May 6th at 10:30 a.m. and May 9th at 1:00 p.m.

6. Adjournment

At 1:47 p.m., Council Member Day moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Rios and carried unanimously.



APPROVED:


Charles J. Wax, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa Valdez, City Secretary