

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF SOUR LAKE**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas, noticed for February 15, 2022 at 6:00 o'clock P.M. at Sour Lake City Hall Annex 615 Hwy 105 W., Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas was called to order at 6:00 o'clock P.M. by Mayor Bruce Robinson pursuant to notice duly posted according to law with the following members present or absent as so indicated:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
BRUCE ROBINSON	- MAYOR		X
G. SHANNON MCDONALD	- ALDERMAN/MAYOR PRO TEM		X
JONATHON WILLIAMS	- ALDERMAN	X	
ROBIN POWELL	- ALDERWOMAN		X
MARCUS DICKERSON	- ALDERMAN		X
REBECCA GARDINER	- ALDERWOMAN	X	

Also present or absent were the following officers and individuals of the City of Sour Lake:

The City Manager, Jack Provost	-	Present
The City Secretary, Debra Morgan	-	Present
The Police Chief Aaron Burleson	-	Present
City Attorney, Alex Stelly	-	Present
Joey Keel, for Sour Lake Public Works Department	-	Absent
Jeff Leavens with Whitley Eng.	-	Present
Mary Ann Boyd and Sherry Williams Librarian	-	Present

The Mayor-Pro Tem then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 18, 2022 Minutes. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January, 18 2022, a motion was made by Alderman Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2022 as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor Pro-Tem then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 2 for Discussion and Action to approve the Accounts Payable for the month of February 2022. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of February 2022, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of February 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following majority vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments. Mr. Charles Griffin informed the Council of a dog attack on his wife. Another citizen also commented about the problems she was having with at large dogs. Any citizen comments to Council could not be discussed or acted upon; however, such comments by any citizen or individual are considered for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 4 requesting the City Manager to provide the Financial Report of the City of Sour Lake ending with the Month of February 2022 to Council. Following the presentation to and discussion by Council, no action was requested of Council and none taken. The Agenda Item No. 4 was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 5 for the City Manager's Report with an up-date report concerning various City Projects and the Pond Project. Following the City Manager's report, no action was requested nor taken by Council with the Report provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem next directed Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 6 concerning the Police Department report with Chief Burleson providing Council his Monthly Updates on the Department and his monthly report. Following the Chiefs report no action was requested nor taken by the council with the report being provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department with Mr. Joseph Keel not present at the meeting City Manager reported on new water and sewer taps. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Engineering Projects. Mr. Jeff Levins with Whiteley-Oliver Engineering reported on the MIT Grant's progress and the

subdivision on Dayna Lane. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report, Mary Ann Boyd reported on the update to the Library System. City Manager told Council about Mary Ann being promoted to the Library Director. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only. No action required.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. Alderwoman Gardiner informed the Board of the Ribbon Cutting for Hooks Title was a success and upcoming Chamber Banquet. No action required.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 11 Discussion and Action to order and General Election for May 7, 2022 to elect one Mayor and two At-Large Alderpersons each for a two year term. A motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to approve the order for a General Election for May 7, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion and Action on an Ordinance declining the rate changes requested by Entergy Texas, Inc. presented by Lawton Law Firm. A motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to approve the Ordinance declining the Entergy Texas, Inc. rate changes presented by Lawton Law Firm. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 13 for Discussion and Action on the Animal Ordinance. Following a discussion by Council a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to table the agenda item until the Mayor and Council could hold a workshop to discuss the Animal Ordinance. The motion seconded by Alderman Williams to table discussion and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 14, Discussion and Action to accept the Mutual Aid Agreement for Cooperation on Law Enforcement Efforts between Various

Texas Law Enforcement Agencies. Following a discussion by Council a motion was made by Alderman Williams to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement for Cooperation on Law Enforcement Efforts between Various Texas Law Enforcement Agencies. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of the Council.

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 15 Discussion and Action to appoint a Scoring Committee for the CDBG 2021-2022 Sewer Rehab Grant. Following a discussion by Council a motion was made by Alderman Williams to appoint City Manager Jack Provost, Mayor Bruce Robinson and Alderwoman Rebecca Gardiner to the scoring committee for the CDBG 2021-2022 Sewer Rehab Grant. The motion was seconded by Alderman Mayor Pro-Tem McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 6:35 P.M. on February 15, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the February 15, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting at 6:35 P.M.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

Bruce Robinson, Mayor
Shannon McDonald, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Debra Morgan, City Secretary