

**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 May 18, 2021 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. at Sour Lake City Hall Annex 615 Hwy 105 W., Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas was called to order at 7:00 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> |
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| 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 were the following officers and individuals of the City of Sour Lake:

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| The City Manager, Jack Provost | - | Present |
| The City Secretary, Debra Morgan | - | Present |
| The Police Chief Aaron Burleson | - | Present |
| Mr. Joseph Keel for the Sour Lake Public Works Department | - | Present |
| City Attorney, Alex Stelly | - | Present |
| Jenny Murphy, City Clerk | - | Present |
| Trey Gaspard with LJA Eng. in and to | - | Present |
| And 11 visitors for the City of Sour Lake, Texas. | | |

The Mayor then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2021. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2021, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2021 as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of Council:

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ABSTAINING - 0

The Mayor 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 May 2021. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of May 2021, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of May 2021. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following majority vote of Council:

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AGAINST - 0
ABSTAINING - 0

The Council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments with no one requesting to address Council during Citizen Comments. 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 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 May 2021 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 moved to Agenda Item No. 5 for the City Manager's Report with an up-date report concerning various City Projects including problems with the Splash Pad, CDBG Grant update and progress of the addition to the City Workshop. 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 next directed Council's attention to Agenda No. 6 concerning the Police Department report with Police Chief Aaron Burleson providing Council his Monthly Updates on the Department and his annual report. No action was requested or taken by Council with the report being provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department with Mr. Joseph Keel reporting to Council on the status of the Public Works Department. Following Mr. Keel's report, no action was requested nor taken by the Sour Lake City Council. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Engineering Projects. Trey Gaspard with LJA Engineering reported updates on Sewer Rehab Project stating Texas Pride being behind, Grant Pond Project and MIT Grant update and bids for Road Rehab Project.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report; Librarian reported Library getting busier and working on a fund raiser for the Library. The update was for information only no action required.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. Alderwoman Gardiner informed the Board of the successful day for the Splash Pad Ribbon Ceremony, Fire Safety Day and possible Fire Works at the Park. The update was for information only no action required.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No.11 for Discussion and Action to swear in Alderman Jonathan Williams, Alderwoman Robin Powell and Alderwoman Rebecca Gardiner. The City Attorney swore in Mr. Jonathan Williams, Mrs. Robin Powell and Mrs. Rebecca Gardiner following which, they returned to their positions as alderpersons on the Sour Lake City Council for a two year term.

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 12 for Discussion and Action on a Proclamation to Proclaim May 2021 as Motorcycle Awareness Month. Following discussion and reading by Council, a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson that the Sour Lake City Council proclaims May 2021 as Motorcycle Awareness Month. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 13 for Discussion and Action on a Proclamation to Proclaim June10 as Jimmie Cooper Day. Following a presentation to and discussion by Council, a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson that the Sour Lake City Council proclaims June 10 as Jimmie Cooper Day. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 14 for Discussion and Action to award the recommendation for the CDBG TDA Road Rehab Contract #7220440. Following a discussion by Council, a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson that the Sour Lake City Council awards the CDBG TDA Road Rehab Contract #7220440 to LD Construction in the amount of \$204,723.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Mayor next moved to Agenda Item No. 15 to authorize the City Secretary to procure for and Grant Administrator for the American Rescue Plan Grant. Following discussion by City Council a motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to authorize the City Secretary to procure for a Grant Administrator for the American Rescue Plan Act. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 16, Discussion and Action to authorize the City Secretary to procure for and Engineering Firm for the American Rescue Plan Grant. Following a discussion a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to authorize the City Secretary to procure for an Engineering Firm for the American Rescue Plan Grant. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda No. 17, Discussion and Action on a Resolution authorizing the City Secretary to open a Bank Account for the American Rescue Plan Grant and Authorize Mayor Robinson, City Manager Jack Provost and City Secretary Debra Morgan to be signers on this account. Following discussion a motion was made

by Alderwoman Gardiner to authorize the City Secretary to open a Bank Account for the American Rescue Plan Grant and for the Mayor, City Manager and City Secretary to be signers on the account. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 18, Discussion and Action to change the time for the Council Meetings by Resolution. After discussion by Council a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to approve the time change by Resolution from 7:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 19, Discussion and Action to approve a sign for God's Green Earth in the amount of \$1,780.00 presented by SLED. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to approve the sign for God's Green Earth in the amount of \$1,780.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 20, Discussion and Action to approve a sign for Goodfellows Pizza in the amount of \$9,170.00 presented by SLED. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman Gardiner to purchase the sign for Goodfellows Pizza in the amount of \$9,170.00. A motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 21, Discussion and Action to purchase three (3) benches for the shade structures at the Splash Pad in the amount of \$2,880.00 presented by SLED. A motion was made by Alderman McDonald for the City to purchase three (3) benches for the Splash Pad at a reduced price in the amount of

\$2,514.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 22, Discussion and Action to approve the purchase and placement of video surveillance cameras for the Park in the amount of \$6,505.00 presented by SLED. After discussion a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to purchase and install the video surveillance cameras at the Park in the amount of \$6,505.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 23, Discussion and Action to approve a contract with Custom Case Tree Service from June 1, 2021 until May 31, 2022 with option to renew for Hurricane Debris Removal. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to approve the contract with Custom Case Tree Service from June 1, 2021 until May 31, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 24, Discussion and Action to approve a contract with Thompson Consulting for Debris Monitoring. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to approve the contract with Thompson Consulting for debris monitoring. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 25, Discussion and Action to approve a contract with Breaux Company for debris site. After discussion a motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to approve the contract with Breaux Company for debris site. The

motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved the Agenda Item No. 26, Discussion and Action to purchase changing tables for the Park Bathrooms. After discussion a motion was made by Alderman McDonald to purchase the changing tables for the Park Bathrooms. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderman Williams to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 7:55 P.M. on May 18, 2021. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the May 18, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting at 7:55 P.M.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

ATTESTED BY:

Debra Morgan, City Secretary

Bruce Robinson, Mayor
Shannon McDonald, Mayor Pro-Tem