

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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 20, 2025, 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	
MICHAEL HENDRIX	-MAYOR PRO-TEM	X	
RYAN ELMORE	-ALDERMAN	X	
JODIE BUTLER	- ALDERWOMAN	X	
KEVIN CUDD	-ALDERMAN	X	
MARCUS DICKERSON	-ALDERMAN	X	
ROBERT PEELER	-ALDERMAN	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
Chief, Aaron Burleson	-	Present
City Attorney, Alex Stelly	-	Present
for Sour Lake		
Public Works Department (Joey Keel)	-	Absent
Jeff Leavens with LEAD Eng.	-	Present
MaryAnn Boyd, Library Director	-	Absent
Officer Molfino		
And approximately 20 visitors		

Mayor Robinson then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Special Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2025. Following a review of the Special Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2025, a motion was made by Alderman Cudd to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2025, as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix and approved by the following vote of the Council:

FOR - 5

AGAINST - 0

Mayor Robinson 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 2025. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of May 2025, a motion was made by Alderman Elmore to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of May 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Butler and approved by the following vote of the Council:

FOR - 5
AGAINST - 0

The council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments. Citizens Comments, items presented for citizens comments cannot be discussed or acted upon; however, such comments by any citizen or individual are considered for information purposes only. Carolyn Knoblock, Melissa Ames, Justin Tauzin signed up to speak with the Mayor and Council to discuss agenda item 13.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 4 requesting the City Manager to provide the Financial Report of the City of Sour Lake for the Month of May 2025 to the Council. Following the presentation and discussion by the Council, no action was requested of Council, and none taken. Agenda Item No. 4 was provided to the Council for information purposes only.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda No. 5 for the City Manager's Report; City Manager informed the Council of adding about 1000 ft to the storage at the Hwy 105 E Water Tower.

Mayor Robinson next directed the Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 6, Police Department report. Chief Bursleson informed the Council of CJIS Audit completed Security Awareness for all Board members, and nothing of the Flock Camera System, still waiting on TxDot. A report was in the packet for monthly information.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department. Mr. Keel was not present at this meeting. With Mr. Keel absent the City Manager informed the Board of several water leaks repaired and two new services added.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Jeff Leavins with LEAD Engineering informed the Board that of TxDot call, deduction on change order for new well coming, Bids for elevated tower to be opened on the 27th, 12'in line plan sent to TCEQ for approval.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report. Librarian Mary Boyd. The librarian was not present at this meeting so the City Secretary told the council of the Annual Report was completed and final passage would not be until September.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. No one present from the Chamber.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 11, to swear in three Alderman for City Council Seats.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion and possible action to Appoint a Mayor-Pro-Tem. Alderwoman Jodie Butler nominated Michael Hendrix for the Pro-Tem. No other nominations were made nominations were closed. A motion was made by Alderman Cudd to appoint Michael Hendrix as Mayor Pro-Tem. The motion was seconded by Alderman Elmore and approve by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 13, Discussion on God's Green Earth Restaurant. After much discussion through public comments and Council, the Council noted it will be appointing a new Planning and Zoning Commission Board and a Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals. The Planning and Zoning Commission Board and the Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustments will determine any requests for change in zoning or variances. No formal action taken.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 14, Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign a Contract with DRC Emergency Services, LLC #1 awarded for Emergency/Disaster Debris Removal. The Mayor appointed Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix to sign contracts for Debris Removal or Monitoring. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem to authorize the City to sign a Contract with DRC Emergency Services, LLC for Emergency/Disaster Debris Removal. The motion was seconded by Alderman Elmore and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 15, Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign an Agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. #1 awarded for Emergency/Disaster Debris Monitoring. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem for the city to sign the agreement with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Emergency/Disaster

Debris Monitoring. The motion was seconded by Alderman Peeler and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 16, Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign an Agreement with CTC Disaster Response, Inc. awarded #2 for Debris Removal Services. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem to sign an agreement with CTC Disaster Response, Inc. for Debris Removal. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ryan Elmore and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 17, Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign a Professional Services Agreement with Thompson Consulting Services, LLC awarded # 2 for Emergency/Disaster Debris Monitoring Services. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix for the city to sign an agreement with Thompson Consulting Services LLC for Emergency/Disaster Debris Monitoring Services. The motion was seconded by Alderman Robert Peeler and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 18, Discussion and possible action to approve on Water and Sewer Rates. No action was taken at this time.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item no. 19, Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution for M & J Tire for a loan up to \$160,000.00 with a 6.5% interest to expand his business. (1st reading). A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem to approve the Resolution for M & J Tire to expand his business. The motion was seconded by Alderman Cudd and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 20, Discussion and possible action on a grant proposal from G-Taco for equipment to expand the business up to \$15,000.00 presented by SLED. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix to

approve the G-Taco for expansion of the business. The motion was seconded by Alderman Cudd and approve by the following vote of the Board:

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Mayor Robinson moved to the final Agenda Item Discussion of any other item not on the agenda without taking action. Discussed God's Green Earth Restaurant on Ryan Road.

There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 7:23 P.M. on May 20, 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Peeler.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

Bruce Robinson, Mayor
Michael Hendrix, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Debra Morgan, City Secretary