

**REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS
MARCH 8, 2021
7:00 PM**

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Bob Warters, Mayor Pro Tem Don Matter, Councilmembers Phil Johnson, John Mahon, Bryce Klug, Sandra Mossman, Matt Prior, and Councilmember-Elect Ashley Graves

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Dick Gregg Jr., City Manager Jason Reynolds, City Secretary Sandra Ham, Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers, Finance Director Csilla Ludanyi, Public Works Director Paul Lopez, Police Chief Tim Cromie, Fire Chief Tom George, Human Resources Manager Chani Honeycutt, and Planning Commission Chairman Roscoe Lee

PRESIDING: Mayor Bob Warters

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Bob Warters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced a quorum of Council was present with all elected officials in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

APPOINTMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS

Presentation of a Check to the Bay Area Houston Ballet & Theatre – Jill Reason

Mayor Bob Warters presented a \$1,000 check to the Bay Area Houston Ballet & Theatre. Mrs. Jill Reason expressed her appreciation to Mayor Warters and the citizens of Nassau Bay for the contribution and continued support of the organization, which has been more critical during the pandemic. Mrs. Reason indicated productions were cancelled for the first time ever in April 2020, and the Theatre was able to begin performances in October 2020 with 25% occupancy. The Bay Area Houston Ballet & Theatre was thrilled to host a production of the Nutcracker last winter and will perform in April at an outdoor venue.

City of Nassau Bay Status Report on Winter Storm Uri

City Manager Jason Reynolds began his comments by providing a high-level brief overview of Winter Storm Uri. Fortunately, the City itself was not impacted, but many citizens and residents were impacted. At the beginning of the storm, the expectations were it to be a two-to-three-day event, with possible wintry mix. There was indication of the possibility of small two-hour blackouts.

He continued by describing what the City experienced, as there were extensive blackouts, with the lift stations lacking power and inoperable, and large parts of the west side of the City without power. This blackout also affected the sanitary sewer system for

Houston Methodist Hospital. Public Works completed many water shut-off requests. A boil water notice was published, but not due to an infrastructure failure in the City, and due largely to City of Houston's failure upstream the water line. There is currently extensive damage to the vegetation, most notably the palm trees on Nassau Bay.

He continued by highlighting the positives of the City's response. He noted that Public Works responded well by acting quickly and protecting the City's infrastructure. Public Works deployed stop signs for traffic on NASA 1. The City coordinated with Harris County for backup power to the lift station. Additionally, customer service and response was top-notch.

The NBVFD ran 26 calls over those six days, alike to responding to a major hurricane event. EMS responded to calls, delivering oxygen to those in need with power failures. Public Works was on call turning off water to minimizing water damage to homes. The Police Department was alerted to vacant homes and assisted in monitoring. Communication from the City was at the highest level. Additionally, he noted Utility Billing will be delayed for late fees.

Mr. Reynolds provided a summary of the lessons learned. He remarked that Winter Storm Uri was similar to a hurricane response. There were many items outside of the City's control. The City Council provided letters to ERCOT to counter the ineffectiveness of the board. The City was asked about the possibility of warming centers, but the City does not have the ability to host 4,000 people in a facility. There is a need for backup power to all critical infrastructure. The City does have a backup generator, but the portable generator was at the Fire & EMS Station. Lastly, he stated a need to provide cold weather gear to City employees.

City Manager Reynolds indicated that the Fire & EMS Station and Public Works facilities faced obstacles with the ice, as unfortunately all of the pads were covered in ice and shaded, not allowing the ice to melt. Gas was difficult to obtain, but the City did have a contingency plan to use CCISD's and Webster's fuel stations. Finally, Mr. Reynolds stated some EMS employees were not able to get to work, or they were required to stay at their full-time employment. A potential backup plan is to lower the response level to an EMT level.

Mayor Warters indicated that the City is fortunate that the storm did not last any longer than it did. He agreed City staff did an amazing job, as it was much work to get the backup generator. He indicated a strong desire for the new debt issuance to include emergency power.

Presentation on the City of Nassau Bay's Crime Statistics

Chief Tim Cromie discussed the transition of the NIBRS system, as there will be a difference in the City's reporting of crime statistics. Chief Cromie discussed the various differences in summary reporting vs NIBRS. NIBRS collects a greater specificity in reporting offenses and collects more detailed information with expanded demographics. He provided an example of a differences seen with an incident murder, robbery, and auto theft. NIBRS can appear that an agency has increased crime, and he desired to educate the public in the change in how the crime data is being reported.

Chief Cromie provided the reasoning for the NIBRS conversion, and why Nassau Bay went to the transition earlier than required. The Nassau Bay Police Department is a member of a reporting system consortium group managed by the League City Police Department. The FBI required all agencies to move to NIBRS by January 1, 2021 and the consortium moved to NIBRS reporting in October 2019. The 2020 NIBRS statistical reporting will not be comparable to previous years as reported under the UCR SRS program. He noted that FBI statistics for 2019 were released in September 2020 and the Department does expect the 2020 statistics to be available until later this year.

Councilmember Johnson expressed his appreciation on the accessibility of the crime statistics on the City's website. He inquired on how the Department will communicate this information, so that citizens understand that it is an information change not a crime increase. He wanted to ensure that this is communicated to the public. Chief Cromie indicated more information will be provided on the City's website by the end of the month of March.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ITEMS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing on an ordinance regulating Garage Sales in the City of Nassau Bay

Mayor Wartens announced a Public Hearing for citizens to address Council regarding the ordinance regulating garage sales.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:35 p.m.

Assistant City Manager Mary Chambers indicated that Nassau Bay's current Code of Ordinances does not address garage sales held within the City. The ordinance being proposed will define garage sales and the number of garage sales permitted within a calendar year. Overall, this ordinance is a proactive measure to provide for the protection of the neighborhood character. This ordinance provides another tool for Code Enforcement to continue protecting the integrity of the residential areas of Nassau Bay.

Mayor Pro Tem Matter inquired on the exact restrictions of the ordinance, with Assistant City Manager Chambers indicating the ordinance restricts garage sales to three times a year, as well as only for a duration of no more than three days. It also defines the transaction as a residential garage sale, in order to prevent business sales.

Mayor Wartens referenced citizen feedback regarding some homeowners conducting weekly garage sales for an extended number of times. There have been complaints. Councilmember Matt Prior asked for confirmation that this new regulation was being introduced in response to a single home. Assistant City Manager Chambers noted City staff get several calls throughout the spring on this topic.

Councilmember Prior asked for clarification on the process should someone violate. Assistant City Manager Chambers stated the violator would receive a ticket from the code enforcement officer and would be required to pay a citation.

There were no other public comments, and the Public Hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

Ordinance No. O2021-809 regulating Garage Sales in the City of Nassau Bay (first of two readings)

Mayor Pro Tem Don Matter inquired whether there were any provisions in the ordinance that allows exceptions to be authorized by the City Manager. City Manager Jason Reynolds stated there is not currently. Mayor Wartens agreed regardless of circumstances, there seems to be no need for exceptions.

Mayor Pro Tem Matter emphasized a need for an exception process that can be authorized by City Manager Reynolds for extreme circumstances. Councilmember John Mahon offered the idea of a garage sale permit, with a waiver that can be applied.

Mr. Reynolds indicated these regulations were being reviewed by the Planning Commission, and subsequent citizen feedback accelerated it for Council review. A comprehensive Planning Commission review may take four to five months. Mayor Wartens confirmed that the ordinance as presented did not need to be processed by the Planning Commission, as it was not required for the Commission to adopt or recommend for Council's consideration.

The caption of the ordinance reads as follows (first of two readings):

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY BY MAINTAINING A PUBLIC RECORD OF ALL INDIVIDUALS CONDUCTING GARAGE SALES, AND TO CONTROL THE PROLIFERATION OF GARAGE SALES AND SIGNAGE ASSOCIATED WITH GARAGE SALES TO REDUCE THE RISK OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON CITY STREETS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY AND FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION.

(Said Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Ordinance No. O2021-809.)

It was moved by Councilmember Bryce Klug, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Don Matter, to approve the first reading of Ordinance O2021-809 regulating Garage Sales in the City, with authorization by the City Manager to allow exceptions for extenuating circumstances.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

CITIZENS' REQUEST FOR HEARING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Wartens announced a Public Hearing for citizens to address Council regarding any issues and concerns.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:47 p.m.

There being no one wishing to speak, the Public Hearing was immediately closed.

COUNCILMEMBERS' COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Don Matter commented on the ERCOT blackouts during Winter Storm Uri. He cautioned against hurricane season and deemed it likely that in the summer the City will experience another blackout. The City should be prepared and have backup power equipped and ready. Mayor Pro Tem Matter asked for consideration from Council for backup power to be included in the upcoming debt issuance, so that the City not be in power failure position again.

Councilmember Phil Johnson complimented the Nassau Bay Volunteer Fire Department for their active response during Winter Storm Uri. Additionally, communication from the City was praised, and proved fairly important during the event. Overall, the storm created difficulties in moving forward with the NASA 1 median project. Councilmember Johnson expressed his appreciation to Chief Tim Cromie for making the crime statistics available on the City website. He ended his comments by requesting that short-term rentals continue to stay on Council's radar, as he believes there to be more work to be done to strengthening the ordinance.

Councilmember John Mahon expressed his appreciation to all of City staff for their efforts during the storm. He heard an abundance of compliments from the community on the City's operations during Winter Storm Uri. He also agreed a serious review is needed into the redundancy of the most critical systems. He stated there was a need to communicate to citizens how critically close the City was to failure in order to create understanding on why debt will be issued for potential back up power systems.

Councilmember Bryce Klug also referenced the ERCOT grid failures and lack of preparation for the storm. He also strongly agreed redundancy for the lift station is critical, in addition to storage of gas for the City's operations. Councilmember Klug reminded all to stay vigilant and safe with the COVID pandemic and to continue to support the City's local restaurants.

Councilmember Sandra Mossman expressed large appreciation to the City, including City administration, Public Works, and the Nassau Bay Volunteer Fire Department. As it was an incredibly unexpected and unpredictable week, she congratulated City staff for their extra efforts. She complimented the communication from the City, which she believes calmed many of the residents. She acknowledged the street stripping project that has begun and thanked the Public Works Department for their extra work.

Councilmember Matt Prior echoed the comments of his Council colleagues, and also wanted to recognize staff's dedication when also enduring damage at their own homes. This defines dedication and he expressed appreciation to all of the departments. He acknowledged that time and time again City staff come together to helps the needs of the residents of Nassau Bay.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor Bob Warters wished to echo similar sentiments cited by Council and thanked City staff and volunteers. Ending, he jokingly acknowledged that he has been informed he is not supposed to turn water off at other residents homes.

REPORTS FROM STAFF MEMBERS & COMMITTEES

City Manager

City Manager Jason Reynolds thanked Council for their recognition of the efforts of City staff during Winter Storm Uri. He indicated he failed to mention that a portion of the City did not have power and he thanked the Fire Department volunteers who walked Swan Lagoon to hand out fliers. Mr. Reynolds transitioned and commented on the COVID pandemic, as he is cautiously optimistic. City Hall will open to residents, but masks will be required.

City Manager Reynolds briefly discussed the short-term rental process, as letters to identified rentals have been distributed to inform them of the process. As a reminder, there will not be a fee for the first six months of the program. Mr. Reynolds anticipates twenty homes will participate, and he will ensure the short-term rental on Martinique is permitted through the program. Councilmember Klug inquired whether there was an initial resistance to joining the program, with Mr. Reynolds responding no. No homes have registered as of yet, as March 15th is the opening date of the permit application. The City is continuing to monitor the fees to adequately attribute the costs to the program.

Police Department

Chief Tim Cromie provided the Police Department monthly report. For February, the Department responded to 314 calls, took 44 reports, issued 86 written and verbal warnings, and issued 41 citations. Officers patrolled 4,597 miles in the City for the month.

Chief Cromie announced that Governor Greg Abbott's waiver for renewing expired driver licenses and vehicle registrations will end on April 14, 2021. All driver licenses and vehicle registrations are required to be renewed and updated after April 14th. More information on renewing a driver license and registration is available on the City's website.

Chief Cromie also overviewed the City's street striping project. The City has begun a striping project on some of the major roadways within the City. Drivers should take care to observe the new traffic flow, especially at intersections where there is now only one lane of traffic. Striping will continue over the next several weeks, weather permitting. He also cautioned all to continue to watch for work crews working in the roadways.

Fire Department

Fire Department President Matt Roper presenting the Fire Department's February status report. Mr. Roper stated the Department responded to 54 calls with 2,616 man hours. Volunteers hours are exceptionally higher due to Winter Storm Uri. Membership numbers remain at 38 members.

Planning Commission

Planning Commission Chairman Roscoe Lee provided a brief summary of the most recent Planning Commission meeting. At the meeting, Commissioners elected Roscoe Lee as Chairman and John Nugent as Vice Chairman. The Commission was provided a draft of the garage sale ordinance for review. There are requirements for permits and fees, and restrictions of the number of garage sales and signage. This ordinance was

originally proposed for zoning change. At a future meeting the Commission will consider incorporating it into the zoning of the City. The Commission also briefly reviewed the home occupations ordinance. Mr. Lee provided an overview of the ordinance and indicated it was slightly restrictive, considering the current pandemic, more research is needed. Lastly, the Commission was given an overview of the short-term rentals ordinance.

Parks & Recreation / Keep Nassau Bay Beautiful

Parks & Recreation Committee Chairman Roscoe Lee provided an overview of the most recent Parks & Recreation Committee / Keep Nassau Bay Beautiful (KNBB) meeting. Currently, KNBB remains in good standing. Mr. Lee recently submitted the annual report and was certified in good standing for 2021.

Chairman Lee provided a visual presentation on the 25th Annual Peninsula Cleanup and expressed appreciation to all those who participated. He briefly provided a history of peninsula and of Mr. Mark Denman's efforts over the years. KNBB supported the event with supplies. With the pandemic, online registration was available for participants, allowing for increased social distancing. Overall, there were 98 volunteers, with 29 of those volunteers younger than 18 years old. Many volunteers were repeat participants, and there were many family groups. He expressed thanks to volunteers who provided ATVS to mobilize volunteers.

In the end, there was an estimated trash haul of 5,500 pounds. Mr. Lee also acknowledged the Clear Creek Environmental Foundation and the Public Works Department for their support. When asked if any additional items were needed for next year's event, Mr. Lee responded by stating water and possibly more trash pickers, which ran out due to the great turnout.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on November 17, 2020

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on December 14, 2020

Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on December 21, 2020

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on January 11, 2021

Annual resolution exempting from 2021 Ad Valorem Taxes a portion of the market value of a residence homestead as authorized by the Constitution of the State of Texas

The caption of the resolution reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS, EXEMPTING FROM 2021 AD VALOREM TAXES A PORTION OF THE MARKET VALUE OF A RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD AS AUTHORIZED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 1-b, SUBSECTION (E) & (N); AND TEXAS PROPERTY CODE SECTION 11.13.

(Said Resolution is of record in Resolution Book No. 19 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Resolution No. R2021-2220.)

Authorization of the City Manager to execute TWDB Contract No. 2000012431 Flood Mitigation Assistance Project Grant between the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), serving as the administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Mitigation Assistance Program, and City of Nassau Bay

It was moved by Councilmember Bryce Klug, seconded by Councilmember Phil Johnson, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

This item was originally presented on the City Council agenda as 10.A. It was requested to be moved due to the subsequent audit acceptance agenda item.

Ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget (first and only reading)

Finance Director Csilla Ludanyi indicated this agenda item was a housekeeping action, as a Budget Amendment is recommended to best recognize revenue and expenditures for the purposes of the completion of the FY20 Audit. A decision made at tonight's Council meeting prior to the acceptance of the audit will ensure that the presented audit documents correctly reflect the relationship between budgeted and actual expenditures.

All amendments are related to the General Fund and can be attributed to CARES Act revenue. In the General Fund, there were revenue changes in Sales Tax, Building Permits, Grant Revenue, Insurance Claims, and COVID Cares Act. The COVID Cares Act revenue offset the additional expenses incurred in the Building Department, Emergency Management, IT, and Conference Center.

The caption of the ordinance reads as follows (first and only reading):

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE INCREASES IN GENERAL FUND REVENUE TOTALING \$273,900 AND IN GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES TOTALING \$44,660.

(Said Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Book No. 13 of the City of Nassau Bay, Texas, being Ordinance No. O2021-810.)

It was moved by Councilmember Bryce Klug, seconded by Councilmember Sandra Mossman, to approve the first and only reading of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of Audited Financial Statements and Accompanying Documents for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020 by Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP and Acceptance of Same by Council

Ms. Stephanie Harris of the financial firm Belt Harris Pechacek presented highlights of the City's annual audit for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2020. The City has met the highest level of acceptable accounting standards and Belt Harris Pechacek is issuing a clean unmodified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance Belt Harris Pechacek can provide.

Ms. Harris detailed the City's statement of net position, which is performed on a full accrual basis. At end of year, September 30, 2020, the City maintained \$34.4 million in total assets. She continued with the income statement, which includes depreciation and noncash assets as well. The City expended \$11.5 million for all governmental and business type activities. At the end of the year, the City realized an increase in net position of \$3 million.

Ms. Harris provided a summary on the City's statement of revenue, which was completed on a modified accrual basis. The City accrued total revenue of \$12 million and expended \$11.6 million. There was an overall fund balance reduction of approximately \$90,000. One benchmark to evaluate fiscal health is the end of year fund balance, and Nassau Bay maintained an end of year fund balance of \$2.8 million, which is six months of operating expenses.

Belt Harris Pechacek also issued a single audit. Belt Harris Pechacek issued an unmodified opinion for major grant programs. Ms. Harris concluded by recognizing the Finance Department for the tremendous efforts in the audit process.

Councilmember Klug inquired whether a management letter could be shared with the City. Ms. Harris indicated there were not any items to report and have included the required auditor disclosure. Councilmember Klug inquired if there were any areas that should have increased controls. Ms. Harris indicated the audit is completed on a test basis and Belt Harris Pechacek did not find anything that warranted further consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem Matter clarified a typographical error in the EDC audit report on page 30. Ms. Harris indicated it was related to sales tax and a new report will be issued with the correct information.

Mayor Warters cited great pride for the City's excellent audit reports and recognized the City staff involved to complete the report.

It was moved by Councilmember Bryce Klug, seconded by Councilmember Sandra Mossman, to accept the Audited Financial Statements and Accompanying Documents for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020, as corrected.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

Action to direct staff to prepare necessary documents for debt issuance notification

Finance Director Csilla Ludanyi referenced previous City Council workshop meetings regarding possible debt issuance for City infrastructure. At the February 22nd Council workshop meeting, City Council discussed three possible debt issuances, including \$2.1 million in debt for infrastructure improvements, refunding of the 2011 Series Certificates of Obligation, and Pension Obligation Bonds to pay-off \$1 million for the TMRS unfunded liability. Currently, the highest priority is infrastructure. Interest rates are currently very favorable.

Finance Director Ludanyi stated in order to issue Certificates of Obligation, the City must meet notice requirements of 45 days before sale. To achieve a June sale, City Council must approve all Notice to Sell publications at the April 12th City Council meeting. Staff must work with the Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel to draw up all the required documents to notice and begin the sale process. Ms. Ludanyi remarked that direction at tonight's City Council meeting regarding which debt issues to proceed with will allow staff to provide Council with the necessary documents at the April 12th City Council meeting.

Finance Director Ludanyi felt confident moving forward with the refunding option, as doing so would produce a small gain and would offset a partial amount of expenses accrued from creating the new debt issuance.

With regard to the Pension Obligation Bonds (POB), all conversations with TRMS have halted, as the recent COLA change is significant for the size of the unfunded liability and future TMRS rates. TMRS will not provide new unfunded liability numbers, and old numbers are not valid. It is currently not advisable to do any debt issuance until the new numbers are provided. If Council is interested in moving forward, the recommendation is to await the June valuation.

City Manager Reynolds commented on the debt issuance, as the City is currently considering \$2.1 million. He provided an overview of the types of projects included in the debt, as proposed at the Council workshops in February. Other items for consideration include the backup generators for the lift station, unified development code, and improvements on the baseball fields. Councilmember Mossman asked for clarification on the purchase of a new ambulance. Mr. Reynolds indicated the ambulance is not cycled to be purchased for another two years, and it will not be purchased until needed.

Councilmember Mossman inquired on the City's percentage of debt, with Finance Director Ludanyi indicating the City to still be within the 20% measure used as a City guideline. Should the City consider the POB debt, Council would still be well within the 20% cap provided by the current policy. The City is comfortably under the capacity.

Councilmember Klug remarked that this debt service will be in line with the 2019 debt service. He agreed this was a great plan for critical infrastructure. The lift station backup generators are greatly needed.

Councilmember Mahon inquired on the previous solar light debt. Finance Director Ludanyi stated there was solar light funding remaining and the City has been very

Careful to allocate the funds to similar categories. The remainder of the funds will be used for the spiral screen.

Councilmember Johnson questioned whether there was any council direction for this discretion in fund allocation. Councilmember Johnson indicated a desire for constancy in purpose. He also requested Council discretion on future allocations from categories in the future. Councilmember Klug wanted to ensure the projects were explicitly listed. City Manager Reynolds noted the projects can be listed on the City's website and emphasized the notice for publication is category based. The projects list sent to the Attorney General for approval is category based, not specific.

City Manager Reynolds asked upon Council for any additional items or projects for consideration. Discussion ensued with projects to be added, which included generators, baseball field improvements, and the unified development code.

Councilmember Klug proposed for the City to issue debt in the amount \$2,425,000, as listed below. Councilmember Johnson seconded.

PROPOSED PROJECTS	AMOUNT
Roads	
Street Paving Projects	\$1,000,000
Stormwater	
Line Repair Improvements & Repair	\$500,000
SCADA Monitoring System	\$100,000
Backup Power	\$300,000
Water/Sewer	
Sandy Cove & Surf Court Lift Station Generator	\$100,000
Public Safety	
Replacement Ambulance	\$250,000
Parks	
David Braun Park Upgrades (Baseball Fields)	\$75,000
Administration	
Unified Development Code	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$2,425,000

Councilmember Mossman requested a definition of the SCADA monitoring system. Mr. Reynolds indicated it is a monitoring system for the lift station and stormwater drains. During Winter Storm Uri, the SCADA system provided Council updates and a live stream of the systems at the moment. Additionally, it allows monitoring from home and City staff would not have to be deployed in the storm. This is a remote activated system.

There was a brief discussion on a previous debt issuance. Mayor Pro Tem Matter requested further clarification on the City's solar lights.

There was discussion to amend the motion to include refinancing of the 2011 water sewer debt. Councilmember Klug agreed and Councilmember Johnson seconded.

It was moved by Councilmember Bryce Klug, seconded by Councilmember Phil Johnson, to direct staff to prepare the necessary documents for debt issuance notification for the projects as listed, with the addition of the refinancing of the 2011 water sewer debt.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

Presentation on the City’s street striping project and discussion and possible action on general striping options for the City’s roadways

City Manager Reynolds noted that the City’s street striping project is underway and will maximize safety and traffic flow. He continued by addressing concerns submitted by citizens and provided a visual of the projects in progress. Mr. Reynolds described the line painting, which provides north and south pedestrian traffic. He also commented on the potential striping on Upper Bay, as there are concerns about passing with two yellow lines. The City can put a dashed yellow line for legal passing, which is not suggested.

Mayor Pro Tem Matter inquired as to why the City was interested in changing the lines on Upper Bay. Mr. Reynolds responded that it is due to the great width of Upper Bay Road, which is conducive to speeding. Additionally, yellow lines on Upper Bay assist in providing a visual cue that it is a shared road with walkers and cyclists, as yellow lines narrow the road. There was continued discussion on a pedestrian sidewalk and a dashed yellow line versus a solid yellow line.

City Manger Reynolds requested at tonight’s meeting to move forward on the yellow painting as the project has commenced. There are many calls received about pedestrians walking on Upper Bay Road. He would like Council’s consideration on the yellow lines, and proposed double yellow lines. There was brief discussion on placement on the lines, whether centered or based on the lined sidewalk. Councilmember Prior remarked that the visual was too confusing and advocated that the City keep the line project as simple as possible.

City Manager Reynolds continued the discussion with painting of lines on Space Park near the Fire Department. He concluded by stating the yellow lines could provide a safe avenue from Swan Lagoon to Upper Bay. He proposed for the FY22 budget for street striping to be similar to Space Park Drive between Point Lookout to Nassau Bay Drive. Councilmember Johnson indicated a need to make it contiguous from Space Park. Councilmember Klug stated a need for establishing criteria for installing pedestrian lines, as there needs to be consistency.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Meeting recessed to Executive Session at 9:21 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings, Subchapter D, Exceptions to Requirement that Meeting be Open, with Mayor Denman reading from the posted agenda the following topic to be discussed in Executive Session:

1. §551.074 Personnel – Discuss the employment, evaluation, compensation, goals, and duties of the City Manager.

Meeting returned to Open Session at 9:49 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action regarding personnel matters as discussed in Executive Session – City Manager

No action was taken on this agenda item.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Minutes approved as submitted and/or amended this 10th day of May A.D. 2021.

CITY OF NASSAU BAY, TEXAS

Robert L. Warters
Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra V. Ham
City Secretary