

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY OAKS, TEXAS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 24, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. **Call to order and quorum call.** Mayor Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. In attendance were Mayor Pro Tem Alvarado, Alderwomen Martinez, Aldermen Fillinger, Coffindaffer, and Repino, City Attorney Casandra Ortiz, and City Secretary Katherine Yelton.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Led by Mayor Martinez.
3. **Citizens to be heard.** Mr. and Mrs. Kanapky from Hilltop Peaks gave some feedback regarding the drainage project on their street and the condition of their driveway. Monica Madero, a Planning and Zoning (“P&Z”) Commission member, stated the commission is seeking funds on the new budget for assistance with the creation of a P&Z ordinance.
4. **Visitor - County Commissioner Rebecca Clay-Flores.** Commissioner Clay-Flores presented a check in the amount of \$300,000.00 for road construction on Red Mountain Dr.
5. **Mayor & Administrator Updates/Announcements.** Mayor Martinez mentioned an alert that had just been issued regarding possible CPS rolling blackouts.
6. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approve minutes from the August 10, 2023 Regular City Council meeting.
 - b. Approve Resolution No. 2023-181 verifying that the Cybersecurity Training Required by Texas Government Code section 2054.5191 has been completed by certain city employees and elected officials, authorizing the City Secretary to submit the required report and other matters related to Government Code section 2054.5191. (Mayor Martinez)

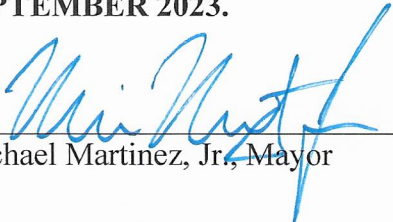
Ald. Coffindaffer made a motion to approve the consent agenda, as presented, which was seconded by Ald. Repino and passed unanimously.
7. **Police Department**
 - a. Updates and announcements from Chief Lopez with possible discussion and/or action. Chief Lopez had no updates or announcements.
8. **Animal Control** Mayor Martinez pulled the two agenda items for Animal Control until the next meeting.
 - a. Updates and announcements from Animal Control Officer Ashley Cunningham.
 - b. Presentation of most current report by Animal Control Officer Ashley Cunningham with possible discussion and/or action.
9. **Parks & Recreation**
 - a. Update and announcements from Park Advisory Committee Chair Alderman Repino with possible discussion and/or action. Ald. Repino stated the next meeting will be held on September 5 and Mayor Martinez stated that the planning will begin soon for National Night Out on October 3, 2023.
10. **Public Works**
 - a. Updates and announcements from Public Works Director Priscilla Schmitt with possible discussion and/or action. PWD Schmitt had no updates or announcements.
11. **Administration – Old Business**
 - a. Discuss and/or possible action on a work order from the City Engineer related to recommendations on the City’s plat application and approval process in compliance with House Bill 3699. Mayor Martinez pulled this item until the next meeting.

12. Administration – New Business

- a. Mayor’s initial presentation on and/discussion and possible action on proposed budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 and/or discussion and possible action on scheduling the date, time, and place for a public hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 fiscal year budget and other relevant matters. Ald. Fillinger stated he would prefer more time to review the proposed budget before discussing and then made a motion to schedule a public hearing on September 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. before the regular Council meeting. This was seconded by Ald. Repino and passed unanimously.
- b. Discuss and/or possible action on Resolution No. 2023-182 regarding the maximum proposed ad valorem tax rate for 2023 the Council will consider and setting a public hearing and date to adopt the tax rate. Ald. Fillinger made a motion to adopt the resolution with a maximum proposed ad valorem tax rate of \$0.243303 and to schedule the public hearing on September 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. before the regular Council meeting, which was seconded by Ald. Coffindaffer passed by record vote with those in favor being Council members Alvarado, Martinez, Repino, Fillinger, and Coffindaffer. No one opposed the motion.
- c. Discuss and/or possible action on adopting Ordinance No. 2023-223 Repealing Ordinance No. 2020-160, which established a juvenile curfew. Ald. Coffindaffer made a motion to adopt the ordinance, which was seconded by Ald. Repino and passed unanimously.

13. Adjourn. Alderman Fillinger made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2023.



Michael Martinez, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:



Katherine Yelton, City Secretary