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**CITY OF INGLESIDE  
MINUTES  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 7, 2019  
6:30 P.M.**

**1. Call meeting to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Ronnie Parker presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Ronnie Parker and Council Members Steve Diehl, Kody Fahrenthold, Stewart Wilson, John Schack, Ben Tucker, and Dennis Knippa. Staff present: City Manager David Huseman, Finance Director Linnette Barker, and City Secretary Kimberly Sampson Henry. There were 5 guests present.

**2. Roll Call**

All Council Members were present.

**3. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement with Axis Insurance for Hurricane Harvey damages. The Council may adjourn to Closed Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney).**

Mayor Parker recessed the Special Meeting to go into Closed Executive Session at 6:31 p.m.

Mayor Parker closed the Executive Session and reconvened the Special Meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-30 of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement with Axis Insurance for Hurricane Harvey damages and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. The motion was approved unanimously.

**4. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution Opposing Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Rate Increase.**

Mr. Pete Perkins provided an overview of the meetings he has been attending on behalf of the City of Ingleside regarding the Texas Windstorm Rates. Yesterday's meeting was in Galveston and the next quarterly meeting is in Corpus Christi.

Currently there is no rate increase for his year; however that may change in the very near future and staff will continue to monitor.

Council Member Fahrenthold made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-31 Opposing Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Rate Increase; and was seconded by Council Member Knippa. The motion was approved unanimously.

**5. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding Impact Fee, Water Rates, and Wastewater Rates.**

There was some discussion with the electronic vs. hard copy packets and when support data is received.

Council Member Diehl stated we can't set the Impact Fees without an updated plan.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to direct the City Manager to work with the engineers for the development of Impact Fee Study and Plan as early as possible; and was seconded by Council Member Fahrenthold. Council Member Diehl amended his motion to bring back at a future regular meeting date as soon as possible; and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

Utility Supervisor, Isabel Valdez, presented a handout of options for a 5% increase in base and volume rates for both water and wastewater rates and removing the 2,000 gallons from the base bill. She showed how this would affect the residential, commercial, and industrial rates.

Council Member Schack requested that the scenario be run to consider dropping the 2,000 gallons in the base bid to 1,000 gallons.

Council Member Diehl questions what/where the additional funds would be used. City Manager, David Huseman, explained that Council has asked staff to find funding sources for the \$22M needed for the new Wastewater Treatment Facility and this could be one of those options. Council Member Diehl suggested these funds be ear-marked for the new Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Council Member Diehl questioned how we were going to generate additional funds for Streets. Mr. Huseman stated it is common among Texas cities to use Utility Funds to supplement the General; however, he does not recommend that. He suggested with the City's growth, bonds, and increased property taxes; these are all options for street improvements.

Mayor Parker noted that the last true increase of utility rates (other than direct pass through from SPMWD) was 2011. If the City would take action to increase on a regular basis, this would not be such a shock to the public.

Council Member Diehl made a motion to table the water and wastewater rate discussion until the next regular meeting in order for additional scenarios to be provided; and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

**6. Discussion, consideration, and action of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Master Professional Services Agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc. for engineering services.**

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Resolution # 2019-32 of the City Council of the City of Ingleside, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Master Professional Services Agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc. for engineering services; and was seconded by Council Member Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding the FY 2019/2020 Utility Fund Budget.**

Finance Director, Linnette Barker, provided an overview of the Utility Fund Budget.

Council Member Diehl asked for an update on the Salary Survey. City Manager, David Huseman, stated he has recently put a hold on the survey until he could talk with the Council. He suggested the staff could perform a quick survey of the area cities. Council Members Diehl and Wilson stated they preferred to keep it with a 3<sup>rd</sup> Party conducting the survey so there was no way for someone to come back and accuse the staff of doing something wrong.

Council Member Diehl suggested that due to the City needing an additional \$2M for the SH-200 project, that the Council include \$1M in the FY 19/20 budget and the other \$1M in the FY 20/21 budget.

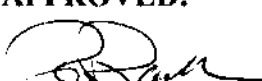
**8. Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Kimberly Sampson Henry, City Secretary

APPROVED:

  
Mayor Ronnie Parker