

Brenham City Council Minutes

A special workshop meeting of the Brenham City Council was held on Tuesday, July 25, 2023 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Brenham City Hall, City Council Chambers, at 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Members Present:

Mayor Atwood C. Kenjura
Mayor Pro Tem Clint Kolby
Councilmember Shannan Canales
Councilmember Leah Cook
Councilmember Dr. Paul F. LaRoche, III
Councilmember Adonna Saunders
Councilmember Albert Wright

Members Absent:

None

City of Brenham Staff present:

City Manager Carolyn Miller, City Secretary/Director of Administrative Services Jeana Bellinger, General Manager of Public Utilities Debby Gaffey, Assistant General Manager of Public Utilities Alton Sommerfield, Director of Water/Wastewater Bobby Keene, Director of Finance Stacy Hardy, Strategic Budget Officer Tim McRoberts, Budget Analyst Jessica Perez, Director of HR and Risk Management Susan Nienstedt, Director of Tourism and Marketing Jennifer Eckermann, Fire Chief Roger Williams, Police Chief Ron Parker, Asst. Police Chief Lloyd Powell, Development Services Director Stephanie Doland, Economic & Community Development Director Teresa Rosales, Kyle Branham, Megan Gray, Melinda Gordon, Kevin Schmidt, Christi Korth, Casey Redman, Tammy Jaster, Stephen Draehn, Brian Smith, and Leigh Linden

Citizens/Others Present:

None

Media Present:

Jason May, Brenham Banner Press, and Mark Whitehead, KWHI

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **FY2023-24 Proposed Budget Discussions**
 - a. **Utility Fund**
 - b. **General Fund**
 - c. **Special Revenue Funds**

Strategic Budget Officer Tim McRoberts presented the FY2023-24 Proposed Operating Budget to the City Council and provided the following information:

- Budget Cycle
- Budget Timeline
- Budget Priorities
 - Maintain service levels to citizens.
 - Continue to provide exemplary Public Safety to the community.
 - Invest in the City's infrastructure, facilities and utilities.
 - Protect the City's financial position and bond rating with conservative budgeting philosophy.
 - Support local economic development.
- FY2023-24 Economic Outlook
- Principal Issues and Challenges
- Revenue Highlights
- Proposed Property Tax Rate of \$0.4537
 - O&M: \$0.3037
 - I&S: \$0.1500
- Proposed Departmental Expenditures
- Council Decision Package
- Days of Fund Balance Calculation

The meeting was adjourned.

Atwood C. Kenjura
Mayor



Jeana Bellinger, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary