



# CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH

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## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 15, 2019  
6:00 P.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

*MPT Sherwood Green called the meeting to order.*

### PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

*Alderman Russell Rupertus led the Pledges of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.*

### ROLL CALL OF ALDERMEN

*The following Councilmember's were present:*

*MPT Sherwood Green  
Alderman David Welch  
Alderman Russell Rupertus  
Alderman Marci Kurtz*

*The following Councilmember was absent:*

*Mayor Steve Spicer  
Alderman Rosemary Lindley*

*The following staff was present:*

*City Administrator Hutchison  
City Secretary Rushing  
Police Chief Heiman*

### PUBLIC COMMENTS (LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES PER PERSON)

*All citizens that signed-in spoke during the Public Hearing.*

### PUBLIC HEARING:

1. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE DUNE PROTECTION AND BEACH ACCESS PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH.

*MPT Green read the above Public Hearing Notice then asked Police Chief Heiman to explain the proposed amendments to the Dune Protection and Beach Access Plan. Police Chief Heiman explained the following: current restricted areas on the beach are noncompliant with the GLO; proposed plan to remove the existing bollards between the two beach access points to allow the flow of traffic; designating ½ of the beach as restricted and ½ for parking; the holiday parking schedule was added, noted no changes to the schedule; rules the city/police must follow pertaining to beach closures; public beach access rights and requirements; current safety concerns; the amendment process, noted the proposed*

amendments must be approved by the GLO before the Dune Protection and Beach Access Plan is officially adopted.

The following citizens attended the meeting and were allowed to speak openly during the Public Hearing: Brenda Harris 16634 Jean Lafitte; Tom & Deb Shepard 16627 Jean Lafitte; John Christensen 16526 Jolly Roger; Mel Corolla 16515 Bahama Way; Barbara Ryder 16639 Nassau Way; Charlie Hansen 16502 Jamaica Inn; Heidi Ferenz 16519 Edward Teach; Terry Rizzo 16502 Jamaica Inn; Tricia Limon 4309 Jolly Roger; Anna Beth Hill 16631 Jamaica Beach Rd; David Dillman 16709 Capt. Hook; Tam Tran 16601 Jamaica Beach Rd; Sharon Mason 16530 Bermuda Way; Debbie Valdez 16507 Mansvelt; Jorge Rodriguez 16542 E. Bayside Way; Jacob Grow 16631 John Silver; Dennis & Bunny Zapalac 16603 Cormorant; Lorraine Jones 16712 Jolly Roger; Peter Johnston 16718 Jamaica Beach Rd; Gisele Oriot 16724 W. Beach Rd; Ruth Ostlind 16729 Jamaica Beach Rd.

#### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

**1. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:**

- a. CITY COUNCIL/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & WORKSHOP MEETING – MARCH 4, 2019
- b. REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 18, 2019

*Alderman Rupertus motioned to approve the above listed minutes. Second by Alderman Welch. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

**2. CONSIDER FOR ACTION DESIGNATING CITY FUNDS TO UTILIZE THE GALVESTON COUNTY MOBILITY BOND CASH MATCHING COMPONENT FOR ADDITIONAL STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.**

*Alderman Welch motioned to approve the city designating city funds to utilize the Galveston County mobility bond cash matching component for additional street improvement projects by approving an Interlocal Agreement between the Galveston County and the City of Jamaica Beach. Second by Alderman Kurtz. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

**3. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH AND JOHN D. MERCER & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2019 WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000, FUNDING FROM 20005 MAIN WATER LINE EXPENSES.**

*Alderman Kurtz motioned to approve an Engineering Agreement between the City of Jamaica Beach and John D. Mercer & Associates for Professional Services for the 2019 Water Line Replacement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, funding from 20005 Main Water Line Expenses. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

**4. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING THE BID FROM JM SALES & SERVICES, INC. FOR THE MARINA PAVING PROJECT & STREET TRANSITION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,283.75 FOR BOTH PROJECTS, FUNDING FROM 13012 STREET M&R AND 13018 BULKHEAD M&R.**

*Alderman Welch motioned to approve the bid from JM Sales & Services, Inc. for the Marina Paving Project & Street Transition Improvements Project, in the amount of \$28,283.75 for both projects, funding from 13012 Street M&R and 13018 Bulkhead M&R. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

**5. CONSIDER FOR ACTION APPROVING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS, AMENDING THE DUNE PROTECTION AND BEACH PLAN OF THE CITY OF JAMAICA BEACH, AS AMENDED, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS, AND STANDARDS FOR REGULATING ACCESS AND PARKING ON THE BEACH; TO PROVIDE VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*Alderman Kurtz motioned to approve the above stated ordinance. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present. Creating Ordinance 2019-2.*

## EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL HOLD A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 551.074 – TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL – EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES OR DISCIPLINE OF THE POLICE CHIEF, CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND CITY SECRETARY.
2. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON THE ITEM(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

*Alderman Kurtz motioned to Table the Executive Session. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present.*

## CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

*City Administrator Hutchison reported on the following: water line replacement project will cost approximately \$1,177,950; he will be conducting a water rate study; provided a status update on the city park & pool palapas; the following meetings have been scheduled regarding a variance request: Planning & Zoning Meeting on April 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. and Board of Adjustments Meeting on May 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.*

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – *Absent, No Report*

## ALDERMEN REPORTS

*City Administrator Hutchison read Alderman Lindley's report: the city is seeking volunteers to help decorate for the Easter Event on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.; Easter Egg Hunt will start promptly at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, 2019; announced the city is doing another Memorial Brick Fundraiser; city is hiring Lifeguards and a Swim Instructor for the 2019 Season.*

*MPT Green, Alderman Rupertus, Alderman Welch & Alderman Kurtz – No Reports*

**POLICE REPORT** – *No Report*

## ADJOURN

*MPT Green said if there was no further business to come before Council he would call for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Welch motioned the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Rupertus. Motion unanimously approved by those present. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.*