

**VERNON CITY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
September 18, 2018**

1. Call to Order:
 - A. Declaration of Quorum
 - B. Invocation
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Douglas Jeffrey IV called the Regular Meeting of the Vernon City Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall, and a quorum was declared present.

Present: Mayor Douglas Jeffrey IV

Commissioners: Britt Ferguson, Justin Marsh, Pam Gosline, and Don Aydelott

Staff Present: City Manager Marty Mangum, Public Works Director Darell Kennon, Fire Chief JJ Oznick, Police Chief Randy Agan, Community Development Director David Pilcher, City Secretary Christy Cavness Bradshaw, and Utility Clerk Elizabeth Agan

Commissioner Marsh led the group in the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags.

2. PUBLIC HEARING on the 2018-2019 Budget (required budget public hearing)
Mayor Jeffrey opened the public hearing at 6:31 p.m. Time was allowed for public input however, there were no comments offered. Mayor Jeffrey then closed the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.
3. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Ordinance No. 1731 an ordinance detailing and declaring the budget for 2018-2019 fiscal year

ORDINANCE NO. 1731

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2018, AND THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019, FOR THE CITY OF VERNON; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH BUDGETS; ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING AN OFFICIAL CLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR ALL POSITIONS AND ABOLISHING ALL POSITIONS NOT LISTED IN SAID BUDGETS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN CONFLICT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Aydelott moved to approve Ordinance No 1731. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Ferguson.

The Roll Call/Record vote was as follows:

Commissioner Ferguson voted "yes"

Commissioner Aydelott voted "yes"

Commissioner Gosline voted "yes"

Commissioner Marsh voted "yes"

Mayor Jeffrey voted "no"

Motion carried.

4. Ratify Budget Ordinance 1731 which raises \$43,614.00 more revenue from taxes than the previous year (as required by H.B. No 3195, Section 102.007(c), Local Government Code)

Commissioner Ferguson moved to approve Ordinance No 1731. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Aydelott.

The Roll Call/Record vote was as follows:

Commissioner Ferguson voted "yes"

Commissioner Aydelott voted "yes"

Commissioner Gosline voted "yes"

Commissioner Marsh voted "yes"

Mayor Jeffrey voted "no"

Motion carried.

5. Discussion, consideration, and possible action on Ordinance No. 1732 an ordinance setting the 2018 Tax Rate

ORDINANCE NO. 1732

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2018 TAX ROLL; LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF VERNON, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 2018; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF TAX STATEMENTS; FIXING THE DUE DATE AND TIME OF PAYMENT THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES, A SAVINGS CLAUSE, A REPEALING CLAUSE, RECORDING, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Gosline made the following motion: "I move that Ordinance No. 1732 be adopted, and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.56471, which effectively increases total tax revenue by \$43,614 over last year's property tax revenue increase in the tax rate, and sets the interest and sinking fund rate of \$.171247." to approve Ordinance No 1731. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Ferguson.

The Roll Call/Record vote was as follows:

Commissioner Ferguson voted "yes"

Commissioner Aydelott voted "yes"

Commissioner Gosline voted "yes"

Commissioner Marsh voted "yes"

Mayor Jeffrey voted "no"

Motion carried.

Executive Session did not occur during this meeting as the City Attorney was not in attendance.

6. Executive Session Pursuant to Article 551.071 of the Local Government Code – Possible Pending Litigation
7. Take action any relating to Executive Session
None.
8. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Douglas Jeffrey IV
Mayor

ATTEST:

Christy Cavness Bradshaw, TRMC
City Secretary