

**Somerville City Council
Regular Meeting
July 12, 2022**

The Somerville City Council met in a regularly scheduled meeting, on July 12, 2022, in the Somerville Senior Citizens Center. Present were Mayor Tommy Thompson; Alderwoman Debra Coleman; Alderwoman Deonna Moses, Alderwoman Amanda Flencher, Alderman Jeff Schoppe and Alderman Erik Kline; City Administrator Danny Segundo; Rose Rosser City Secretary; Visitor's Register - on file in the City Secretary's Office.

CALL TO ORDER

6:17 PM - The meeting was called to Order at this time by Mayor Thompson.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Alderwoman Coleman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance followed the Invocation.

EXCUSED ABSENCES FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

All Council Members were present.

PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

NONE

REPORTS

Police Department Activity Report

Chief Sullivan reported on Police Department Activity for the month of June 2022.

Municipal Court Activity Report

Rose Rosser reported on Municipal Court Activity for the month of June 2022.

Public Works Activity Report

Joshua Young reported on Public Works Activity for the month of June 2022.

Code Enforcement Activity Report

Kathy Pollock reported on Code Enforcement Activity for the month of June 2022.

Senior Center Activity Report

Kelsey Bizzell reported on Senior Center Activity for the month of June 2022.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES / FINANCIAL MATTERS

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the Minutes of the June 14, 2022 Regularly scheduled council meeting and the June 28, 2022 called meeting; and the Statement of Revenues & Expenditures, Sales Tax Report and Accounts Payable Cash Requirement Control Report by Department. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Flencher. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

PROCLAMATIONS / NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS / NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION / NONE

NEW BUSINESS / Action Items

Special Use Permit (310 Casa Mia)

Motion made by Alderwoman Moses to receive and **approve** the Planning & Zoning Report related to the Special Use Permit (310 Casa Mia). **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Somerside Way Final Plat Submission

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to receive and **approve** the Planning and Zoning Report related to the Somerside Way Final Plat Submission. **Seconded** by Alderman Kline. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Development Agreement with Current LLC

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the Development Agreement with Current LLC. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Moses. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Ordinance 22-009 / Entergy Rate Case

Motion made by Alderwoman Flencher to **approve** Ordinance 22-009 declining any and all changes in rates requested by Entergy Texas, Inc. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Right of Way / Oak Hill Subdivision

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the abandonment, closing and vacating the street right of way in the Oak Hill Subdivision. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Moses. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

HDU Services

Motion made by Alderwoman Moses to **approve** awarding a two year contract extension with HDU Services LLC, for the operations of the City's Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

8th Street – Change Order No. 2

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** Change Order No. 2 for additional work for Avenue M, Ave L and the Bank Alley. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Moses. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Mayor & Council Comments

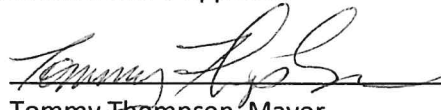
A citizen (did not state name for the record) asked a question but was not speaking clearly enough for the audio recording to pick up. Mayor did ask if she was talking about the structure itself and she said that it's just that they are not taking care of it. Administrator Segundo told her that there was no ordinance against parking an RV on your property, it looks awful but there's nothing we can do about it. Another citizen (did not state name for the record) asked how many cops does the City have? Chief Sullivan said that there are 5 officers when fully staffed; part of the challenge is that people don't want to be in this business anymore; part of the challenge is finding people who will work for what our City is able to pay; and the last part of that is going through a training process that they have to successfully pass. He refuses to hire somebody just to fill a position, it has to be the right person that fits our community and can do the job. Every law enforcement agency in the three counties that touch us is having the same problems. Mayor said that the SO is here quite a bit with their deputies and so is the game warden. Chief Sullivan said that the DPS is also here and all of these agencies are short handed.

City Administrator Comments / NONE

ADJOURN

6:56 PM – Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** adjourning the meeting at this time. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Flencher. Motion **carried** by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

Passed: 08-09-22


Tommy Thompson, Mayor

I, Rose Rosser, City Secretary for the City of Somerville, Texas, do hereby certify that I am the custodian of the records for the City of Somerville, Texas, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on July 12, 2022.


Rose Rosser, City Secretary

