



**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
CITY OF ODESSA, TEXAS**

July 6, 2021

On July 6, 2021, a work session meeting of the Odessa City Council was held at 3:00 p.m., Council Chamber, City Hall, 411 W. 8th St., Odessa, Texas.

City Council present: Mayor Javier Joven; Council members: Mark Matta, District One; Steven P. Thompson, District Two; Detra White, District Three; Tom Sprawls, District Four; Mari Willis, District Five; and Denise Swanner, At-Large.

Others present: Michael Marrero, City Manager; Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, City Secretary; Natasha Brooks, City Attorney; Cindy Muncy, Assistant City Manager; Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager; and other members of City staff.

A quorum being present, Mayor Joven called the meeting to order, and the following proceedings were held:

Council member Sprawls gave the invocation.

Floyd Gwin Park CIP update. Steve Patton, Director of Parks and Recreation, reported that Floyd Gwin park's construction was on schedule and on budget. Kelly Cook, KDC Associates, reported that the construction was going well. He reviewed the progress that has been done to the park. The demolition was complete on the baseball fields, concrete slabs were completed on the basketball courts and the trail system was being staked out. The pool would remain open this season. He reviewed the project elements of the park construction. There were no budget issues, no vandalism or damage to the fence. The rain would cause some rain delays. There was an emphasis to develop the baseball complex for 2022 use. The park would open Spring 2022. Mr. Patton reported that the parking lots would be renovated. He stated that Musco Company donated cameras to the little league baseball field. The cameras would allow for people to watch the games at the park. Pictures and videos could be captured of a player and a possible revenue source for the City. The concession stand bid was out and be opened on July 15. If there were remaining funds, an art project would be installed. There would be an extension of the plaza area that would provide for tile that tell the history of the park. Council member Willis stated to inform the public about the construction if there were issues with traffic on West County Rd.

Purchase bulletproof vests with rifle plates from Angel Amor. Mike Gerke, Police Chief, stated that the purchase of bulletproof vests was for \$106,370.25. It would purchase 34 vests and 14 vests for SWAT. The vests were lighter with the same level of protection. The funds would be from donated funds.

City to apply for and accept grant monies to provide partial payment for bulletproof vests, committing to a cash match, appropriating awarded grant funds, and authorizing expenditure of awarded grant funds. Chief Gerke stated that the \$27,200 grant was for bulletproof vests. The grant was a 50% cash match which \$13,600 of donated funds would be used.

City to apply for and accept; amend the fiscal budget to appropriate awarded funds as additional revenue and authorizing the expenditure of awarded grant funds from the 2021 BJA Edward Byrne Memorial JAG program. Chief Gerke stated that the grant was for \$83,938 with no cash match. The Sheriff's Office would receive \$10,912 as all the funds were received by the City. The funds would be used for equipment.

Ector County interlocal agreement for the division of the 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG funds. Chief Gerke stated that the agreement was to provide the Ector County Sheriff's Office with its appropriated grant funds.

Motion was made by Council member Sprawls and seconded by Council member Thompson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Aye: Joven, Matta, Thompson, White, Sprawls, Willis, and Swanner
Nay: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Norma Aguilar-Grimaldo, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Javier Joven
Mayor