

**CITY OF SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 10, 2021  
5:30 P.M.**

Mayor Sellers called the special meeting of the Sulphur Springs City Council to order at 5:46 p.m.

The following council members and staff were present:

Mayor John A. Sellers  
Mayor Pro Tem Doug Moore  
Councilman Jay W. Julian  
Councilman Harold Nash  
Councilman Oscar Aguilar  
Councilman Freddie Taylor  
Councilman Gary Spraggins

Absent: None

Marc Maxwell, City Manager  
Gale Roberts, City Secretary  
Lesa Smith, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director  
Tory Niewiadomski, Assistant City Manager/ Community  
Development Director  
Gordon Frazier, Assistant City Manager/Director Human Services  
Jason Ricketson, Chief of Police  
David James, Fire Chief / Fire Marshal  
Hope Cain, Director Library Services  
Russ Nuss, Director Public Works  
James Jordan, Director Utilities  
Jerry Maynard, Director Parks & Recreation  
Joey Baker, Director Airport / Tourism

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sellers called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

**PLEDGE AND INVOCATION**

Mayor Sellers led in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag as well as the Pledge to the Texas Flag and Councilman Taylor led the invocation.

**DISCUSSIONS ON PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET**

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Smith presented the draft budget by department. Every department head was available to speak to their budget if the City Council had any questions. There was a general discussion and Director Smith gave a very thorough presentation, answering all questions.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MOTION TO PLACE ADOPTION OF THE TAX RATE AND THE FY 2022 BUDGET AS ACTION ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2021, AND SEPTEMBER 21, 2021, CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS AND TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2021, AT 7:00 P.M. AND TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2021, AT 7:30 P.M.**

Councilman Aguilar made a motion to place adoption of the tax rate and FY 2022 as action items on the September 7 and 21, 2021 City Council agendas and to schedule a public hearing on the proposed property tax rate on the September 7, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. and to schedule a public hearing on the proposed budget on the September 21, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Councilman Spraggins seconded and the vote was unanimous.

**The motion carried.**

**ADJOURN**

With no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Sellers at 7:35 p.m.