

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**CITY OF SNYDER**

**JULY 31, 2023**

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Snyder, Texas was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Stephanie Ducheneaux and was held with the following members present:

Councilmember Sarah Jamison  
Councilmember Vernon Clay  
Councilmember Jerry Webb  
Councilmember Jeffrey Levens  
Councilmember Tom Strayhorn  
Councilmember Carson Matthies  
Attorney for the City, Bryan Guymon

**ITEM I. INVOCATION:**

The invocation was given by Councilmember Jerry Webb.

**ITEM II. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:**

Mayor Stephanie Ducheneaux recognized the following visitors:

Barbara Leatherwood, Development Corporation of Snyder; Steve Rich, Snyder; Wade Warren, Snyder.

**ITEM III. VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:**

No discussion.

**ITEM IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: TIME: 5:32 P.M.**

Council may act in Open Session on the following item:

1. Convene into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Gov't Code §551.074 personnel matters. (City Manager)

**ITEM V. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: TIME: 5:37 P.M.**

1. Reconvene into Open Session to act, if necessary, regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.
2. Councilmember Jeffrey Levens made the motion to approve the City Manager contract with Eli Torres.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jerry Webb and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

**ITEM VI. BUDGET WORKSHOP:**

1. Discussion regarding 2023-2024 Budget. – Council reviewed and discussed each departments proposed capital purchases. Changes to the capital will include cutting the purchase of a vehicle in Dept. 1 for \$65,000,

cutting the purchase of iPads from Dept. 5 for \$13,500, and increasing Dept. 6 budget by \$5,000 for an AC unit. Council also discussed implementing new pay schedules for the Police and Fire Department. The budget does include a 3% COLA increase for all employees.

**ITEM VII. INFORMATION:**

1. Next Regular Council Meeting August 7, 5:30 p.m.

**ITEM VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

1. Councilmember Jeffrey Levens made the motion to adjourn.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sarah Jamison and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.  
Noes: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary

Approved: August 7, 2023.