

# CITY OF NATALIA

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## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 2078 STATE HWY 132 NORTH, NATALIA, TEXAS 30 JULY 2021 at 2:00 P.M.

### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ortiz called the Special city council meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Tommy Ortiz – Present

Alderman Mike Fernandez – Present

Alderman Sam Bluemel – Present

Mayor Pro-Tem Sam Smith – Present

Alderman Darin Frazier - Present

Alderman Selica Vera – Absent

#### 2. Discuss the need for Public Works Equipment, including:

- a) (1) John Deere 5055E Utility Tractor \$41,459.53
- b) (1) John Deere 520M Front End Loader \$5,042.13
- c) (2) John Deere Z915 Commercial Ztrak Zero-Turn Mower \$7,276.62 each (total \$14,553.24)

**Total of \$61,054.90**

- d) (1) Brush Grapple \$3,300.00
- e) (1) Shredder \$2,000.00
- f) (3) Handlebar Trimmer each \$389.99 x 3 \$1,169.97
- g) (1) Chainsaw \$ 449.99
- h) (1) Generator \$ 869.00
- i) (1) Air Compressor \$1,000.00

**Total \$8,788.96**

Discussion: The Mayor spoke how he had been around the Utility crew to better understand their jobs and found the equipment inadequate. Alderman Bluemel raised considerations about price between BuyBoard pricing and purchasing direct from John Deere. Alderman Fernandez questioned the need for overpowered equipment. He also expressed reservations about the large financial burden this would place on the City.

Action: Ald. Bluemel made a motion to purchase the public works equipment. Alderman Fernandez seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 3. Discuss/Consider a Resolution regarding a contract for the purpose of financing "public works equipment".

Discussion: City Administrator presented three options to council, two financed by Government Capital:

ISSUER: City of Natalia, Texas  
FINANCING STRUCTURE: Public Property Finance Contract issued under Local Government Code Section 271.005

EQUIPMENT COST:	\$ 61,054.90	
TERM:	3 Annual Payments	5 Annual Payments
INTEREST RATE:	3.27%	3.295%
PAYMENT AMOUNT:	\$ 21,696.90	\$ 13,444.11
PAYMENTS BEGINNING:	One year from signing, annually thereafter	

The third option was a quote from Tellus Equipment, but it was not eligible for BuyBoard pricing and had a higher interest rate.


Motion: Alderman Fernandez made a motion to accept the resolution as presented in order to enter into an agreement with Government Capital for a 5-year term with an interest rate of 3.295% for the purchase of \$61,054.90 worth of public works equipment and for the other quote of \$8,788.96 to be funded from utility reserves. Alderman Bluemel seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

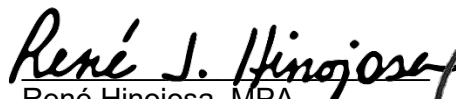
Alderman Fernandez motioned to adjourn at 2.28 pm, and Alderman Bluemel seconded the motion. Vote: Motion passed 4-0 vote.

**Passed and Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.**

Approval:

  
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Tommy Ortiz, Mayor /or/  
Sam Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest:

  
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René Hinojosa, MPA  
City Administrator/Secretary

