

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA §
CITY OF MANVEL §



KEITH BONNER, COUNCIL PLACE 1
DAVID LANDS, COUNCIL PLACE 2
HARRY OPLIGER, COUNCIL PLACE 3
ED PERRY, COUNCIL PLACE 4
CRYSTAL SARMIENTO, COUNCIL PLACE 5
JEROME HUDSON, COUNCIL PLACE 6

DAN DAVIS, MAYOR
DAN JOHNSON, CITY MANAGER
TAMMY BELL, CITY SECRETARY

MISSION STATEMENT:

"The City of Manvel is a safe and responsible community, embracing the values of our past, present, and future citizens."

MINUTES 6/10/2024

Regular Session - 5:15 p.m.

Call To Order

Mayor Davis called the Special Meeting of the City Council to order at 5:15 p.m.
Those in attendance were:

Present: Mayor Dan Davis
City Councilmember Place 1 Keith Bonner
City Councilmember Place 3 Harry Opliger
City Councilmember Place 5 Crystal Sarmiento
City Councilmember Place 6 Jerome Hudson

Absent: City Councilmember Place 2 David Lands
City Councilmember Place 4 Ed Perry

Also Present: Dan Johnson, City Manager
Robert Gervais, City Attorney
Keith Traylor, Chief of Police
Rosa Donaire, Finance Director
Chad Dumont, Director of Personnel
Brooke Cyphers, Public Information Officer
Alyssa Deaton, Assistant City Secretary

Pledge

Public Comments: "Comment Card" Required

Melody Hanson - In favor of the Homestead Exemption
Kale Hanson - In favor of the Homestead Exemption
Doyle Thompson - In favor of the Homestead Exemption
Marilyn Barnes - In favor of the Homestead Exemption
David Jones - In favor of the Homestead Exemption
Jeanette Rogge - In favor of the Homestead Exemption

City Manager Update

Update on Flock Cameras.

Regular Agenda

1. Consideration and possible action to approve the first of two readings of Ordinance 2024-O-22; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MANVEL, TEXAS, CHAPTER 65. "TAXATION," BY AMENDING ARTICLE II. *PROPERTY TAX*, TO ADOPT AN EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES FOR RESIDENCE HOMESTEADS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

Mayor Davis, Councilmember Sarmiento, and Councilmember Opliger spoke in favor of the Homestead Exemption.

Councilmember Opliger suggested going for a full 10% over the 5%.

The Mayor suggested a phased approach over the next few years to get to 20%. Councilmember Sarmiento agrees with the 10% and the phased approach.

Rosa Donaire, Finance Director, and Dan Johnson, City Manager, were questioned by Council on whether if this were to be put in place, would it cause the city to have to cut services, staff, or cost of living raises. Rosa said no.

Dan Johnson said adopting an exemption will cause us to be behind on catching up with the growth, i.e., the public works staff needed to maintain all of the growth.

Councilmember Sarmiento made the motion to approve a 10% Homestead Exemption.
Councilmember Bonner seconded the motion.

The motion carried with a vote: 5/0

Yes: Mayor Dan Davis, City Councilmember Place 1 Keith Bonner, City Councilmember Place 3 Harry Opliger, City Councilmember Place 5 Crystal Sarmiento, City Councilmember Place 6 Jerome Hudson

No: None

Absent: City Councilmember Place 2 David Lands, City Councilmember Place 4 Ed Perry

Abstained: None

Mayor and Council Comments

Adjourn

Mayor Davis made the motion to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Councilmember Hudson seconded the motion.

The motion carried with a vote: 5/0

Yes: Mayor Dan Davis, City Councilmember Place 1 Keith Bonner, City Councilmember Place 3 Harry Opliger, City Councilmember Place 5 Crystal Sarmiento, City Councilmember Place 6 Jerome Hudson

No: None

Absent: City Councilmember Place 2 David Lands, City Councilmember Place 4 Ed Perry

Abstained: None

CERTIFICATION

TAMMY BELL, CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF MANVEL, TEXAS

DAN DAVIS, MAYOR
CITY OF MANVEL, TEXAS