

Minutes of Surfside Beach City Council Meeting

Tuesday June 10, 2025

Village of Surfside Beach

1304 Monument Drive

Surfside Beach, TX 77541

COUNCIL MEETING:

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER, QUORUM IN ATTENDANCE**
Mayor Parsch called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and announced that a quorum of Council was in attendance. Green-Prats was absent.
- 2) **INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Jalifi gave the invocation and Mayor Parsch led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) **SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL MEMBER**, Jennie Green-Prats was not present at this meeting and the swearing-in was postponed until July.
- 4) **Mayor/council/department head reports**

Parsch – thanks to PD and EMS for the big weekend work recently. Road work has started. FEMA is starting to pay out on the Beryl claims. Lighting has been installed on all the flags around the island.

Gerber – Took a trip with the Mayor and Public Works Director to Port O'Connor to see the improvements that City has made on their Vacuum sewer system.

Kedlarchuk – street repairs are getting completed

Jalifi – Tourism has been discussing incentives for businesses; created a gardening (beautification) subcommittee. Lampstand presentation is expected at the end of this month. Keep Surfside Beach volunteers are needed.

Hines – Battle of Velasco re-enactment is June 27, 2025; appreciation plaques for Rob and Michelle Booth and Dick and Wanda Petree for their hospitality to Equusearch every time that organization is here for search.

Green-Prats – asked about the Clear Channel invoices;

Chief Hester – Police department monthly activity;

DeMarco – EMS monthly activity

Imgram – Public Works monthly activity and the lift station has been repaired

Hart – City Hall building to be evaluated for repair; GLO fences on beach; new land development permitting.

Bolinger – Road repairs have begun around the island and the booth permit sales have exceed expectations

- 5) **Business of visitors not on the agenda and presentation by the Brazosport Convention and Visitors Council.**
Edith Fischer with the Brazosport Conventions and visitors bureau presented their annual report and request for funds.
- 6) **ALL ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE SELF-EXPLANATORY, AND THE COUNCIL WILL ENACT THEM WITH ONE MOTION. UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBER SO REQUESTS, NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS WILL OCCUR.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consider approval of minutes from the Special Council meetings on March 6, April 16 and May 5, and Regular Council Meeting on May 13, 2025.

B. Consider approval of accounts payable from May 2025.

Motion was made by Gerber to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Kedlarchuk and passed unanimously.

- 7)** Discuss and take possible action to approve Ordinance 2025.06.10A prohibiting digging and leaving large holes in the sand on the beach.

Motion was made by Jalifi to approve Ordinance 2025.06.10A regarding digging and leaving holes in sand on the beach. Motion was seconded by Kedlarchuk and passed unanimously.

- 8)** Discuss and take possible action to approve Ordinance 2025.05.13B Beach recreation area rules ordinance Section 28-62 of the Surfside Code of Ordinances, specifically removing, 'No mobile vendors are allowed' and setting rules and guidelines.

Motion was made by Jalifi to table this item for more guidelines. Motion was seconded by Hines and passed unanimously. Send to BAC for permitting and locations.

- 9)** Discuss and take possible action regarding concerns raised by neighboring residents about the use of a private road by developers, additional potential for flooding, and to require a replat of the property being developed at Gulfway Court and Blue Water pursuant to Section 42-5 J5 to bring up to *current standard* **"Minimum lot size. Minimum lot size in a subdivision shall be 6,000 square feet. Minimum width of a lot shall be 50 feet"**.

Randy Toombs spoke to Council regarding this item. The developer was in attendance and answered questions and attempted to clear-up any misunderstandings about the development. No action was taken.

- 10)** Discuss, consider, and select administration/project delivery service provider(s) to complete application and project implementation for the CDBG MIT-MOD funding administered by the Texas General Land Office.

Motion was made by Jalifi to select Grantworks as the project grant administrator. Motion was seconded by Hines and passed unanimously.

- 11)** Discuss, consider, and select engineering/architectural service provider(s) to complete application and project related engineering/architectural services for the CDBG MIT-MOD funding administered by the Texas General Land Office.

Motion was made by Gerber to select Lynn Engineering/John Mercer for the engineering on this CDBG MIT-MOD project. Motion was seconded by Hines and passed unanimously.

- 12)** Discuss and take possible action on EMS Beach vehicles purchase for 2025 season.

Motion by Jalifi to approve splitting the cost between Beach Fund and Hotel/motel Fund of 2 vehicles not to exceed \$38,000.00. Motion was seconded by Kedlarchuk and passed unanimously.

- 13)** Discuss and take possible action on EMS Director vehicle purchase.

Motion was made by Gerber to allow the purchase of an EMS vehicle not to exceed \$10,000 and split the cost between General Fund and Hotel/Motel Fund. Motion was seconded by Kedlarchuk and passed unanimously.

- 14)** Discuss and take possible action on Ordinance 2025.06.10C regarding property left on the beach.

Motion was made by Gerber to instruct the City Attorney to delete this ordinance from the Code.
Motion was seconded by Kedlarchuk and passed unanimously.

- 15)** Discuss and take possible action on approval of Ord. 2025.06.10B prohibiting RV parking on the beach.

Motion was made by Jalifi to approve no RV parking on the Beach, Ordinance 2025.06.10B. Motion was seconded by Hines and passed unanimously.

- 16)** Discuss and take possible action to add the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the Republic of Texas to the Council agenda.

Motion was made by Kedlarchuk to add the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag to the agenda.
Motion was seconded by Gerber and passed 3 for 1 abstention (Hines)

- 17)** Discuss and take possible action to ban/disallow POLICE OFFICERS and CITY EMPLOYEES from using (talking and texting) on cell phones while driving, on duty, within city limits. Inclusive of all streets/roads, including the sand road (the beach).

No action taken.

- 18)** Discuss and take possible action to create an ordinance to enforce non removal of flags flying at the Fort Velasco Memorial site. ONLY authorized individuals are to raise or lower flags.

No action taken.

Passed and approved this 8th day of July, 2025.


Zach Parsch, Mayor
Amanda Davenport, City Secretary