

**The Childress City Council met in Regular Session Monday January 27<sup>th</sup> 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Childress City Hall, 315 Commerce Street Childress, TX 79201.**

**Mayor Cary Preston**

**Aldermen Marino Rodriquez  
Joshua Johnson (absent)  
Gary Clark  
John Preston  
Mike Dietrich**

**City Manager Kevin Hodges  
City Attorney Steve Bird (absent)**

**Mayor Preston led the invocation.**

**Opened floor for public comment.  
Fred Dietrich discussed items 4-5 relating to nepotism. No action.**

**Minutes of previous meeting were approved. Motion made by Alderman Dietrich;  
Seconded by Alderman Rodriguez. All Ayes.**

**Item 4 regarding wording of Council Code of Conduct relating to nepotism tabled due to lack of legal counsel. Motion to table made by Alderman Rodriguez; Seconded by Alderman Dietrich. All Ayes.**

**Item 5 regarding interpretation of Nepotism in City Charter tabled due to lack of legal counsel. Motion to table made by Alderman Clark; Seconded by Alderman Dietrich. All Ayes.**

**City Manager Kevin Hodges discussed regulations governing bank Depository Agreements. Informed the Council of criterion for governmental depository agreements in preparation of 2022 Bank Depository Bid.**

**Information was provided regarding the upcoming 2020 Census.**

**Provided City-Wide quarterly reports by department. Currently 33.33% into budget year.  
General Fund Revenue is 33.27% of total projected budget  
General Fund Expense is 27.07% of total projected budget  
Utility Fund Revenue is 27.44% of total projected budget  
Utility Fund Expense is 28.11% of total projected budget**

**City Manager Kevin Hodges expressed that feels departments and budget is balanced and anticipates remaining on track to meet budget demands. Motion to accept report made by Alderman Clark; Seconded by Alderman Preston. All Ayes.**

**Budget Amendment #2 presented. Motion to accept amendment as presented made by Alderman Dietrich; Seconded by Alderman Rodriguez. All Ayes.**

**Presentation regarding water rates, and the billing process provided by Billing Supervisor, D'Linda Dockery; Kirk Barnett from Western Industrial; and Rickey Pierce, Water Department Supervisor. Provided metering, billing, and historical rate information. No Action.**

**With there being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:27 p.m.**

**The minutes were read and approved the \_\_\_\_ day of January, 2020.**

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**Cary Preston, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kevin Hodges, City Manager**