


RESOLUTION 04-02-2007
BAY AND ESTUARY INFLOWS

- WHEREAS, freshwater inflows to the Matagorda/Lavaca Bay system are important to commercial and recreational fisherman, bird watchers and other citizens living and working in Palacios and surrounding areas; and
- WHEREAS, the sportfishing industry makes a tremendous contribution to the economy of the Palacios area through the tourism it attracts; and
- WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry provides many jobs in the Palacios area and supplies fresh fish to local restaurants and markets around the area; and
- WHEREAS, the Palacios area is an international birding destination because of the tremendous diversity of birds occurring here; and
- WHEREAS, the sport and commercial fishing industries, birdwatching, and other nature-related tourism activities help support a variety of businesses in the Palacios area, including hotels and restaurants, tour guide operators, marinas and boat dealers, fishing equipment and supply outlets, and bait dealers and fish houses; and
- WHEREAS, sport and commercial fishing and other tourism industries can be harmed by the failure to ensure that sufficient freshwater flows reach the Matagorda/Lavaca Bay system; and
- WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, it is important for our governing body to speak out strongly in favor of the Texas Legislature taking steps to protect freshwater inflows.

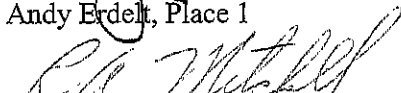
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Palacios that:

We respectfully urge Governor Rick Perry, Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst, Senator Glenn Hegar, and Representative Mike O'Day to develop and enact legislation to protect freshwater inflows.

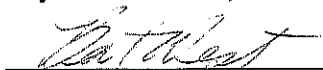
Passed and Approved on this the 20th day of February, 2007.



Andy Erdelt, Place 1




Raymond Mitchell, Place 3



Bert West, Place 5

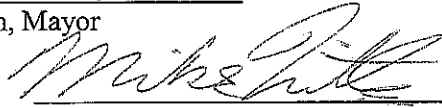
ATTEST:



Patsy S. Gibson, City Secretary



Joe Morton, Mayor



Mike Witte, Place 2



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Mark Latapie, Place 6

