

CITY OF NEVADA

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MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 1, 2023
7:00PM at City Hall

Mayor – Benito Ponce

Council Member Place 1 – Mike Laye
Council Member Place 2 – Donald Deering
Council Member Place 3 – Kerrie Longoria

Council Member Place 4 – Clayton Laughter
Council Member Place 5 – Frank Hudson

City Staff:

Deuce Waters, City Secretary
Morgan Kowaleski, City Clerk
Jim Shepherd, City Attorney

Citizens:

Russell Newton
Al Longoria
Bruce Mathews
Lisa Bramlett

REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum-

Time: 7:00pm Mayor Ponce was absent. Council Member Laughter arrived at 9:12pm.

2. Invocation-

Mayor Pro Tem Longoria asked Council Member Deering to lead the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America -

I pledge Allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the United States of America.

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag -

Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the Texas Flag.

5. **Public Comment –**

NOTE: The City of Nevada, Texas, City Council meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. The Council adheres to the printed Agenda for official action. Any individuals desiring official action on a matter should submit a request for the item to be considered for inclusion on a future Agenda to the office of the City Secretary no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the Council Meeting.

Citizens are invited to address the City Council with public comments. Comments regarding items for which notice has not been given will be limited to three minutes, prior to discussion of agenda items, and Council responses shall be in accordance with Sec. 551.042 of the Texas Government Code. Comments regarding an item on the agenda may be given before or during discussion of that item. An intentional act intended to disrupt a Government meeting is prohibited.

There was none.

REPORTS

6. **Reports:**

a. **City Secretary Report-**

1. Good evening, Mayor Pro Tem, Council, and citizens. Please do not forget that Cards Waste & Recycling will be here for our cleanup date of Saturday August 26, 2023.
2. I have made contact with North Texas Paving Group out of Forney, Texas and will be receiving a quote from them this week on the remainder of our pothole repairs.
3. There will be court here tomorrow Wednesday August 2nd starting at 6:30pm.
4. Lastly, RCI will be here Thursday August 3rd and Friday August 4th to get our records in order, so if you come to City Hall on either of those days, we will probably have boxes and documents about the room.

b. **City Attorney Report-**

City Attorney, Jim Shepherd advised about the Municipal Court tomorrow and also about ordinances that need to be updated.

c. **Code Enforcement Report-**

Code Enforcement Officer, Dennis Wagner was present and provided a documented report for the Council to review.

d. **Financial Report (2nd Council Meeting)-**

There was no financial report for this meeting.

e. **Mayor Pro Tem Report-**

There was no report at this time.

f. **Mayor's Report/Status-**

There was no report at this time.

g. **NVFD Report (2nd Council Meeting)-**

There was no report at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

7. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2023-**

Council Member Deering made a motion to approve. Council Member Hudson seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 4-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

8. **Discuss and consider action on funding the MyGov software-**

City Clerk, Morgan Kowaleski and City Secretary, Deuce Waters spoke on how this program will help the City of Nevada in tracking our permitting process.

After much discussion, Council member Deering made a motion to table this agenda item. Mayor Pro Tem Longoria seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 3-1 vote and Council Member Laye voting against the motion.

9. **Discuss and Consider action on the Tax Rate and Budget for the City of Nevada-**

After much discussion, Council Member Laye made a motion to approve agreeing to a .32 cent property tax rate per \$100. Council Member Hudson seconded the motion. This portion of the agenda item was carried with a 4-1 vote and Council Member Deering voting against. Council

Member Laye made a motion to table the budget until the next council meeting and Council member Hudson seconded the motion. This portion of the agenda item carried with a unanimous vote. 5-0.

10. **Discuss and Consider action on moving the next City Council Meeting to any date between August 22nd and August 24th**

Council Member Laye made a motion to approve. Council Member Deering seconded the motion. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. **Future Agenda Items-**

Future agenda items shall be designated by the Mayor. In addition, a motion and a second from any two Councilpersons shall be sufficient to add an agenda item for a future meeting. Staff and counsel shall have prior consent of the Mayor to add an agenda item for a future meeting.

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12. **Executive Session** - Time: N/A

13. **Regular Session: Reconvene from Executive Session** - Time: N/A

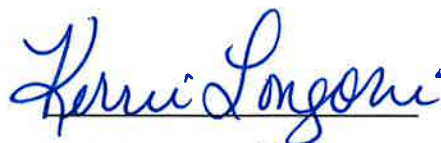
14. **If required, act on items reviewed in Executive Session-**

15. **Adjournment / Closing** - Time: 9:30pm

Attest:



Deuce Waters, City Secretary



Kerrie Longoria, Mayor Pro Tem

