



MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, February 20, 2024
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:

City Secretary, Morgan Kowaleski

City Attorney, Jim Shepherd

Code Enforcement Officer, Dennis Wagner

Citizens:

Eric Welwood, Derrick Little

Pam Sardo, Jane Ridgeway,

Dawda Ceesay

REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum –

Time: 7:06PM

Council Members Longoria & Hudson were absent.

2. Invocation –

Mayor Benito Ponce asked EDC President Bruce Mathews 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.

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.

4. Public Comment –

N/A

5. Reports:

a. City Secretary Report –

Election – Ordinance O021324 was sent to the Collin County Elections Department, on Wednesday, February 14th. And I received confirmation of receipt from Kaleb Breaux, the Elections Director. Places 1, 2 & Mayor are all unopposed.

Court Clerk – At the request of the mayor, a job listing for a Municipal Court Clerk has been created on TML Jobs website. Pay – based on qualification.

Revize – The website is complete, and Revize is ready to schedule a two-part training course (90 minutes each), a week apart, on a date after February 26th. During this training, they will show us how to make any edits. After this training, the site will be moved to its permanent server, and we will have access. The site will then be “released” to us for polishing and preparing to go live.

WOPAC – As of last Friday, Wopac has completed pothole repairs on Eugene, West, East, South & CR 589. And they will continue to work through the list.

Sign Collin/1138 – The company subcontracted with Oncor completely ran over the street sign on Collin/1138. The company that they have hired to fix it should have the work completed this week.

MyGov – Has scheduled the Initial Implementation Meeting, on April 29th, this meeting is to establish an implementation plan, go over required items needed for the module setup, and will also be given a brief site administration training. The expected “go live” date is June 3, 2024

b. City Attorney Report –

City Attorney Shepherd recommended that the Mayor & Council read the 2022 Handbook for Mayor’s and Council Members.

c. Code Enforcement Report –

Code Enforcement Officer Wagner responded to Council’s comments and questions regarding his updated report.

d. Financial Report (2nd Council Meeting) –

Council reviewed the Financial report.

e. Mayor Pro Tem Report –

N/A

f. Mayor’s Report/Status –

N/A

g. NVFD Report (2nd Council Meeting) –

N/A

CONSENT AGENDA

6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – February 6, 2024, and February 13, 2024

Council Member Lake made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Council Member Laughter seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. **Announcement of Approval for Josephine Area Chamber of Commerce –**
No Action Taken.
8. **Deliberate and take any appropriate action on the Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z) application received from Nevada citizen, Derrick Little –**
Council Member Deering made a motion to approve Derrick Little’s application to join the Planning and Zoning Commission. Council Member Laye seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote. Mayor Ponce swore in Commissioner Little.
9. **Discussion with Dollar General District Manager, Dawda Ceesay –**
Mr. Ceesay engaged in a discussion with the Council regarding the City’s concerns at the Dollar General located in Nevada City Limits. No action was taken.
10. **Discuss and take any appropriate action on the quotes provided by Lite & Barricade and Buyers Barricade for the next phase of Nevada Street Sign Project –**
Council Member Deering made a motion to table this agenda item until the next City Council meeting. Council Member Laye seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.
11. **Discuss and take any appropriate action on the refreshment project for City Hall –**
Council Member Laye made a motion to establish a committee to oversee the refreshment project consisting of Clayton Laughter, Don Deering, and Derrick Little. Council Member Deering seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.
12. **Discuss and take any appropriate action to organize the planned workshop session tentatively set for April 2, 2024, aimed at presenting the Tax Roll Back to the residents of Nevada –**
Council Member Laughter made a motion to publish a notice of a “Town Hall” to be held on April 2, 2024. Council Member Deering seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. **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.
 1. *Street Sign Quotes*
 2. *Town Hall – Rollback Election*
 3. *WOPAC*
 4. *DG Update*
 5. *ILA CC Sherriff*
 6. *Alley Ways – Dennis Wagner*
 7. *EDC Property*

14. Executive Session –

N/A

15. Regular Session: Reconvene from Executive Session –

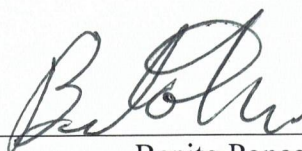
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16. If required, act on items reviewed in Executive Session –

N/A

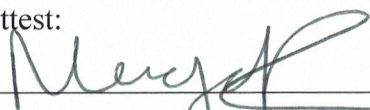
17. Adjournment/Closing –

Time: 8:54PM



Benito Ponce, Mayor

Attest:



Morgan Kowaleski, City Secretary