

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2021 AT 6:00 PM

## 1. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGES TO FLAGS

Mayor Andy Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II, Councilmembers Joan Hinshaw, Butch Reis, and Patrick Ramsdell were all present for the meeting. Councilmember James Bilberry was absent.

Mayor Andy Williams performed the Invocation and led the Pledges to the Flags.

#### 2. CITIZENS/VISITORS' FORUM

Any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

Robert Vogler, resident expressed concerns about the Avenue H road conditions and the repairs needed. Mr. Vogler tried to call City Hall a few times and no one answered.

Susan Dunlap, resident came to discuss and find out more about the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone. Ms. Dunlap also asked about the tree trimming in the city, and if the road where holes and dips are can be patched.

Kara Escajeda, City Manager explained the geotechnical study being performed and FEMA as it relates to repairing the road.

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2021.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II to approve the Consent Agenda; motion second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion was carried 4-0.

#### 4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discuss and possibly approve NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT ZONE #1, ORDINANCE NO. Z 21-07:

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING CERTAIN AREA IN THE CITY OF NOLANVILLE AS "NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 1, CITY OF NOLANVILLE, TEXAS"; PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES FOR THE ZONE AND A MECHANISM FOR RENEWAL OF THE ZONE; AND CONTAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE ZONE.

1.) Public Hearing

Public Hearing opened at 6:15 pm.

Susan Dunlap wanted to ensure property owners in the Woodlands were aware of the NEZ program. Ms. Dunlap expressed her gratitude for the many things the City is doing to help improve the areas.

Kara Escajeda, City Manager provided a brief overview of the NEZ program and answered questions of City Council related to creating affordable housing, lien forgiveness, etc.

Public Hearing closed at 6:28 pm.

2.) Staff Report

Overview of Neighborhood Empowerment Reinvestment Zone was provided by Kara Escajeda.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II to approve NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT ZONE #1, ORDINANCE NO. Z 21-07; motion second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Discussion with possible action approve Economic Development Resolution for Nolan Creek Blue Trail NEDC 06-21.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II to approve Economic Development Resolution for Nolan Creek Blue Trail NEDC 06-21; motion second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

C. Discuss and possibly take action to approve the TML Health Benefits Pool Rerate for FY 2021-2022.

Motion was made by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw to approve TML Health Benefits Pool Rerate (Option 2) for FY 2021-22; Motion was second by Councilmember Patrick Ramsdell. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

- D. Discuss and possibly approve sidewalk connection on 10<sup>th</sup> Street connecting pedestrian crossing to Dollar General from Quality Contract for \$15,895 utilizing Pedestrian Crossing Fund.
  - Motion was made by Councilmember Butch Reis to approve the sidewalk connection on 10<sup>th</sup> Street connecting pedestrian crossing to Dollar General from Quality Contract for \$15,895 utilizing Pedestrian Crossing Fund; motion second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.
- E. Discuss and possibly approve neighborhood assistance program and improvements to brush drop off procedures.
  - Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II to approve neighborhood assistance program and improvements to brush drop off procedures; motion was second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.
- F. Discuss and possible action to approve purchase of wood chipper from Vermeer, Buy Board Vendor 565-18 utilizing unforecasted sales tax revenue for \$39,504.60.
  - Motion was made by Councilmember Butch Reis to approve purchase of wood chipper from Vermeer, Buy Board Vendor 565-18, utilizing unforecasted sales tax revenue for \$39, 504.60; motion was second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.
- G. Discuss and possibly authorize City Manager to take steps towards FM 439 Spur take back program from Texas Department of Transportation.
  - Motion was made by Councilmember Butch Reis to authorize the City Manager to take steps toward FM 439 take back program from Texas Department of Transportation; motion was second by Councilmember Joan Hinshaw. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.
- H. Discuss and possibly approve rescheduling the Regular Call City Council meeting to a Special Call Meeting for July 29, 2021 in order to file the budget for FY 2021-2022.
  - Motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem David Williams II to approve rescheduling the Regular Call City Council meeting to a Special Call Meeting for July 29, 2021 in order to file the budget for FY 2021-2022; motion second by Councilmember Butch Reis. All voted in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

# 5. WORKSHOP (Began at 7:05 pm)

Discussion commenced on the following matters:

- Review and discuss Staff Benefits Options
- Discuss Public Works Capability Improvement Plan

### 6. ADJOURNMENT

Andy Williams, Mayor

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Date Minutes approved by Council: August 5, 2021