

**THE CITY OF CISCO  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
December 11, 2023**

**CISCO, TEXAS §  
EASTLAND, COUNTY §**

The City Council of the City of Cisco met in a regular called session at the Cisco Council Chambers in Cisco as scheduled, and notice was posted 72 hours in advance and prior to the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>MAYOR</b> _____	<b>STEPHEN FORESTER</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II</b> _____	<b>ROBERT JOHNSTON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III</b> _____	<b>WILLARD JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V</b> _____	<b>CHRIS JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI</b> _____	<b>TRAVIS TOOF</b>

**PERSONNEL PRESENT:**

<b>CITY MANAGER</b> _____	<b>DARWIN ARCHER</b>
<b>CITY SECRETARY</b> _____	<b>TAMMY OSBORNE</b>

**PERSONNEL ABSENT:**

<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I</b> _____	<b>JASON WHETSTONE</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV</b> _____	<b>NATHAN BRUNER</b>

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Jane Nichols, Ervin Light, Matt Hutton

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mayor Forester called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. PLEDGES**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Pledge to the Texas Flag

**III. INVOCATION:**

Councilmember Toof gave the invocation.

**IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:**

None.

**V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:**

- November 13, 2023
- Joint Meeting-November 13, 2023
- November 27, 2023
- Called Meeting-December 4, 2023

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnston to approve all four sets of minutes as presented, second was made by Councilmember Toof. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 5 to 0  
Absent: Whetstone, Bruner

**VI. THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS:**

**A. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2023-12-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION WITH THE CITIES SERVED BY AEP TEXAS; AUTHORIZING HIRING OF LEGAL COUNSEL; FINDING THAT THE CITY'S REASONABLE RATE CASE EXPENSES SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMPANY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO LEGAL COUNSEL.**

Mr. Archer explained that the resolution was to participate in the review of price increases proposed by AEP by the cooperative.

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to approve the resolution as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 5 to 0  
Absent: Whetstone, Bruner

**B. Consider and Discuss Applying for Additional Funding From FEMA for the High Hazard Potential Dam (HHPD) Program.**

Mr. Archer again commented that a second round of funding for this program will be available soon in an amount between approximately \$500,000-\$1,000,000 with a 35% match from the city. Mr. Archer requested affirmative action to move forward with an attempt to apply for that funding. Mayor Forester asked about the timing of that funding to which Mr. Archer answered 18-24 months before that project would begin.

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to apply for additional funding from FEMA for the HHPD Program, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 5 to 0  
Absent: Whetstone, Bruner

**C. Consider and Discuss Updated Personnel Policies and Procedures.**

Mr. Archer stated that there had been no substantive changes since last year.

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve the Personnel Policies and Procedures as presented, second was made by Councilmember C. Johnson. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 5 to 0  
Absent: Whetstone, Bruner

**D. Consider and Discuss Canceling Regularly Scheduled Meeting for December 25, 2023.**

Mayor Forester commented that the Council had met the Charter requirement of two meetings per month for December and this meeting could be cancelled if the Council wished.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnston to cancel the meeting scheduled for December 25, 2023, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 5 to 0  
Absent: Whetstone, Bruner

**E. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning**

None.

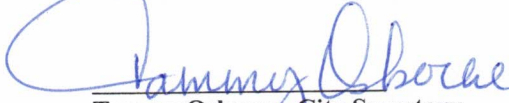
**F. Announcements for City Council.**

Mayor Forester said that there would be a meal served on Christmas Day for any who wanted or needed at the Conrad Hilton Center from 10:30-1:00.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to adjourn, second made by Councilmember C. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

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Stephen Forester, Mayor

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