THE CITY OF CISCO CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING November 13, 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:

MAYOR	STEPHEN FORESTER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	ROBERT JOHNSTON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	NATHAN BRUNER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	CHRIS JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	TRAVIS TOOF
PERSONNEL PRESENT:	
CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE
PERSONNEL ABSENT:	
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I	JASON WHETSTONE

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Ervin Light, Barbara Light, Nita Light, Jane Nichols, Justin Jaworski, Walter Fairbanks, Kyle Pfeiffer, Kari Pfeiffer, Bethany Larson, Neal Vanlew, Justin Mena, Ashley Perez, Phillip Mata, Caleb Fairbanks, Chase Brooks, Daniel Demaree, Kainalu Barlow, Cheyanne Trevino, Sam Guthrie III, Jacqueline Belk, Sarah McCleskey, Tom Tinsley, Philip Green, Jeff Brown, Billy Woodrich, Mary Kay Williamson, Joy Hedges, Carrie Alexander, Sean King, Robert Alexander, Katie Fairbanks, April Wells

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:

Mr. Light spoke in favor of the agenda item, considering purchase of a new fire truck, saying that he is in strong support of both fire and police departments.

V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

October 23, 2023

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

yes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0 Absent: Whetstone

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

A. Consider and Discuss Applying for an Undertold Historical Marker for the Old Zoo.

Mr. Archer invited Ms. McClesky from the Eastland County Historical Society to address the Council regarding the item. Ms. McClesky explained that she thinks the location would fare well for the program which would bring a free historical marker to the city. Mr. Archer further commented that the location of a marker would not affect any future development plans at the location and would be at zero cost to the city.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to approve the application for the marker as presented, second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0 Absent: Whetstone

B. Consider and Discuss Purchase of Fire Truck.

Chief Fairbanks told the Council that intention of the proposed item was to get in line to purchase a fire truck as the lead time for delivery of trucks is 3-4 years and costs are rapidly rising. If purchase is committed now, current price is locked in. Mr. Archer added that if approved, no payment would be due on the truck for 4-5 years, by which time the currently financed fire truck could be paid off or nearly paid off.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to approve purchase of fire truck, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0 Absent: Whetstone

C. Consider and Discuss Dedication of Easements and Parcels at Cisco Municipal Airport.

Mr. Archer said that the item was being brought back after being tabled at the last meeting. Councilmember C. Johnson suggested naming something after Mr. Herman Eaker since he had been active at the airport for a long time.

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to approve the dedication of the plats and designate the circle street as Herman Eaker Circle and the street as Airport Drive, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0 Absent: Whetstone

D. Consider and Discuss Wholesale Water Agreement with Hidden Shores Property Owner's Association. (Executive Session)

The Council convened into Executive Session under Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney at 6:20 p.m.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 6:35 p.m. and took the following action;

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to allow the City Manager to enter into negotiations with the Hidden Shores Property Owner's Association for the Wholesale Water Agreement, second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0 Absent: Whetstone

E. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

None.

F. Announcements for City Council.

Councilmember C. Johnson gave a personal thanks to the Cisco Fire Department and Police Department for help with his father. Mayor Forester reminded the Council and guests that there would be a free Thanksgiving dinner for anyone wanting to participate on Thanksgiving Day at the Conrad Hilton Center.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to adjourn, second made by Councilmember C. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

Stephen Forester, Mayor