

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
April 11, 2022**

**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	_____	TAMMY DOUGLAS
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I	_____	DENNIS CAMPBELL
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	_____	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	_____	NATHAN BRUNER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	_____	STEPHEN FORESTER

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER _____ **DARWIN ARCHER**

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	_____	RYAN JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	_____	TRAVIS TOOF
CITY SECRETARY	_____	TAMMY OSBORNE

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Robert Johnston, Jason Whetstone, James Thomas

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Douglas 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 Forester gave the invocation.

IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

- **March 28, 2022**

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept the minutes as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

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

A. Consider and Discuss Autism Spectrum Disorder Awareness Month Proclamation

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept the proclamation as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

B. Consider and Discuss National 9-1-1 Education Month Proclamation.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to accept the proclamation as presented, second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

C. Consider and Discuss Agreement with Cornerstone Community Action Agency.

Mr. Archer explained that the agreement would be to allow the city to participate in providing names of customers who are delinquent with their utility bills and Cornerstone Community Action Agency can provide assistance.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept the contract as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

D. Consider and Discuss Lease Agreement with Cisco ISD for City Park.

Mr. Archer commented that the agreement would continue the city's lease of the park and swimming pool from the school.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to accept the lease agreement as presented, second was made by Councilmember Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

E. Consider and Discuss Sale of Asphalt Zipper to the City of Ranger.

Mr. Archer said that the asphalt zipper that the city owns is rarely used and more often, the city utilizes the county's equipment through an interlocal agreement for street repair and maintenance. The City of Ranger has expressed an interest in purchasing the zipper for \$38,000.00 and Mr. Archer recommends selling it to them.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

F. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS AMENDING APPENDIX A “ZONING” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; SPECIFICALLY SECTION 13 “MH-1— MANUFACTURED HOME DISTRICT” REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND INSTALLATION OF HUD-CODE MANUFACTURED HOMES, MOBILE HOMES, AND MODULAR HOMES IN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR MANUFACTURED HOME COMMUNITIES; DEFINITIONS, INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS; ABANDONMENT; OTHER REGULATIONS FOR MODULAR AND MANUFACTURED HOMES TO INCLUDE EXCEPTIONS; REPEAL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; EFFECTIVE DATE AND OPEN MEETING CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS. *(Second Reading)*

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

G. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS PROVIDING THAT THE 20 FOOT ALLEY BETWEEN E. 18TH STREET AND E. 19TH STREET AND BETWEEN ELM STREET AND FIR STREET SITUATED IN BLOCK 19 ELFRETHAM HEIGHTS ADDITION OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, BE CLOSED, VACATED AND ABANDONED, EXCEPT FOR EXISTING UTILITY AND/OR DRAINAGE EASEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REVERSION OF THE FEE IN SAID LAND; AND, PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON FINAL PASSAGE. *(Second Reading)*

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

H. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS PROVIDING THAT TEXAS, KENTUCKY, FLORIDA, DALLAS, FT. WORTH, AUSTIN, AND HOUSTON AVENUES AND THE ALLEYS LOCATED IN BLOCKS 2-20 IN THE SOUTH SIDE ADDITION BE CLOSED AND THAT THE DEDICATION OF THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY BE VACATED AND ABANDONED, EXCEPT FOR EXISTING UTILITY AND/OR DRAINAGE EASEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REVERSION OF THE FEES IN SAID LAND; AND, PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON FINAL PASSAGE. *(Second Reading)*

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to accept the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

I. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 13-24 “DESIGNATION OF STOP INTERSECTIONS” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; DESIGNATING STOP INTERSECTIONS AT HARRELL STREET AND PERSHING STREET; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer stated that this proposed ordinance was in response to a citizen request who lives in the area and has traffic concerns during baseball/softball games. Mr. Archer further commented that the Chief of Police and officers had been monitoring the street to see if this was a problem area. Chief Preston added that drivers in the are not exceeding the speed limit and he feels that it will create problems with traffic flow. He recommends that the stop signs are not necessary since there have been no accidents or incidents in this area. The Mayor and other members agreed that it would put an unnecessary drain on police officers to have to provide enforcement of the signs in a place where they are not necessary.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to reject the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: R. Johnson, Toof

J. Consider and Discuss Animal Control Officer James Thomas’ Participation in the Police Academy and Subsequent Employment with the Cisco Police Department.—Executive Session

Chief Preston stated that he did not think Executive Session was necessary for the item so the Council stayed in Regular Session. Mr. Archer explained that Mr. Thomas was wanting to attend the police academy and potentially become employed with the Cisco Police Department if there was an opening available. Mr. Thomas is Chief Preston’s son-in-law and in the interest of full disclosure, Mr. Archer wanted the Council to be aware that no laws or rules would be violated with the employment. It was noted that Mr. Thomas’ employment as the Animal Control Officer predated the hiring of Chief Preston.

The Council agreed that staffing decisions in the police department fall under the purview of the Chief and ultimately the City Manager and they had no issues with the potential employment, except that Councilmember Forester expressed concerns about the appearance of the matter and cautioned that the Chief and City Manager handle any issues that arise.

K. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning

Mr. Archer listed upcoming events including, city offices being closed on April 15, 2022 in observance of Good Friday, City City Wide cleanup day is April 23rd, Career Day at the Fire Department will be April 30th as is the Cisco Fun Run, Election Day is May 7th, and city offices will be closed on May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

L. Announcements for City Council.

Mayor Douglas indicated the cleanup City Wide Garage Sale is April 23rd.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Forester. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

Tammy Douglas, Mayor
