THE CITY OF CISCO CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING June 14, 2021

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	JASON WEGER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	RYAN JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	NATHAN BRUNER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	STEPHEN FORESTER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	TRAVIS TOOF
PERSONNEL PRESENT:	
CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE
PERSONNEL ABSENT:	

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Justin Jaworski, Wayne Carr, Jeffrey Carr, Fred Aycock, Anita Aycock, Tom Purcell, Jason Miller, Mike Shaunbacher, Connie Shaunbacher, Dixie Courtney, Mike Perez, Craig Knight, Randy Clark, Courtney Clark, Steve Simmel, Jay Kidwell, Joe Spano, Gregory Evans, Dale Frost, Jan Williams, Bruce Williams, Cody Osteen

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:

Several guests from the gallery spoke in favor of re-opening the lake for recreational purposes including Randy Clark, Fred Aycock, Anthony Frost, and Cody Osteen.

Tom Purcell spoke against re-opening the lake as he is experiencing flood conditions at his lake home.

Jeffrey Carr was in favor of opening the lake, but also would like to see a long term solution to the rising and falling flood waters so that the lake would not need to be closed every time the water level rose.

Mike Perez from AEL introduced himself and his company and highlighted some of their services. He expressed that he hoped to acquire our contract for solid waste services and work together in the future.

Joe Spano from Republic Services also addressed the Council, thanking them for our long relationship and expressing a hope to continue that with a new contract for solid waste services.

Mayor Douglas made a presentation to Councilmember Jason Weger thanking him for his nine years of service on the Council. Mr. Weger resigned his seat and departed the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

May 10, 2021

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

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

A. Consider and Discuss Accepting Resignation of Councilmember Place I, Jason Weger.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to accept Mr. Weger's resignation, second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

B. Consider and Discuss Appointing Member to Council Place I.

Mayor Douglas recommended Dennis Campbell be appointed to fill the unexpired term for Place I. Councilmember R. Johnson inquired if Mr. Campbell was prepared to serve to which Councilmember Forester answered affirmative.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to appoint Mr. Dennis Campbell to fill the unexpired term for Place I, second was made by Councilmember R. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

C. Consider and Discuss Appointing Mayor Pro-Tem.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to appoint Councilmember Forester as Mayor Pro-Tem, second was made by Councilmember Toof. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 5 to 0

Absent:

Abstain: Forester

D. Consider and Discuss Bank Depository Services.

Mayor Douglas indicated that the city had received two proposals for Bank Depository Services; one from Prosperity Bank and one from First Financial Bank. She appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Archer, Ms. Osborne, Ms. Vaughn, Ms. Ledbetter, and herself to review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.

E. Consider and Discuss Solid Waste Services.

Mayor Douglas again acknowledged the proposals received; Republic Services, Waste Connections, and AEL. She again appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Archer, Ms. Osborne, Mr. Flores, and herself to review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.

At this point in the meeting, the Mayor requested that the Council skip to Item I on the agenda.

F. Consider and Discuss Accepting Bids for City Owned Property Located at 208 & 211 Tourist St.

Mr. Archer explained that the city had been approached by someone interested in the properties and recommended accepting bids.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept bids for 208 & 211 Tourist St., second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

G. Consider and Discuss Approval of Sale of 1.00 Acre of Property Located at Cisco Municipal Airport for Economic Development Purposes Pursuant to Section 253.012.

Mr. Archer explained that the property would be transacted for Economic Development purposes to serve the new Hidden Shores addition and lake residents and visitors. Councilmember W. Johnson commented that the property could have drainage issues.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to approve the sale of the property, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

H. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 06-14-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHROIZING THE CISCO 4A DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (C4ADC) TO ENTER INTO A PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH CISCO JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT (CISCO COLLEGE).

Mr. Jaworski made presentation to the Council regarding a joint project between the C4ADC and Cisco College to provide a test site pad for CDL License testing.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

I. Consider and Discuss Reopening Lake Cisco.

Mayor Douglas opened discussion. Councilmember R. Johnson stated that he thought an assessment of the lake should be completed and then a recommendation brought to the next meeting. Mayor Douglas and Councilmember Forester agreed that re-opening the lake was in the best interest of the city and its citizens.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to reopen the lake effective immediately, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: R. Johnson/Motion Carries

Voted: 5 to 1

Absent:

A question from the gallery asked if the action would open the lake fully. At this juncture, Mr. Archer interjected and asked if the Council would allow him to place buoys in the low water draws to prohibit wakes in those areas in addition to the required buoys 200 feet from the dam.

Motion was amended by Councilmember Forester to additionally place buoys 200 feet from the dam and in the three low water draws to prohibit a wake in those areas, second was made by Councilmember Toof. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Bruner, Forester, Toof, Douglas

Nays: None/Motion Carries

Voted: 6 to 0

Absent:

J. Consider and Discuss Economic Development Agreement for Project Crossroads. (Executive Session)

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.087 Economic Development Negotiations at 7:08 p.m.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 7:47 p.m. and took no action.

K. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

None.

L. Announcements from City Council.

Councilmember R. Johnson expressed thanks to those that volunteered on the Old Zoo cleanup day.

Mayor Douglas informed Council that the fireworks display for the city would be on July 2, 2021 and that the drive in circus would return to town on July 3-5.

Mr. Archer commented that City Offices would be closed on July 5 in observance of Independence Day.

Councilmember Bruner asked about recent heavy rainfall and concerns for poor drainage around town.

Councilmember W. Johnson inquired about the municipal swimming pool to which Mr. Archer indicated it would not open because there were no applications for lifeguards received.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to adjourn, second made by Councilmember R. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

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Tammy Douglas, Mayor

Janny Douglas