

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
May 8, 2017**

**CISCO, TEXAS §
EASTLAND, COUNTY §**

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR	JAMES KING
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I	JASON WEGER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	DENNIS CAMPBELL
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	RANDY BOLES
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	TAMMY DOUGLAS
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	PHILIP GREEN

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	RANDY BOLES
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Guests: Kelly Cozart, Stephanie Cozart, Chris Johnson, Butch Petree, John Diers, Larry Weikel, Stephen Forester, Josh Constancio.

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor King 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 Green gave the invocation.

IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

V. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED:

April 24, 2017

Mr. Archer commented that he had found a duplicated paragraph in the minutes and suggested it be removed for the official copy.

Motion was made by Councilmember Weger to accept the minutes with the suggested amendment, second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

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

A. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2017-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING THE HOTEL-MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX; AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF ATTORNEYS FEES UPON DELINQUENT HOTEL-MOTEL OPERATORS; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING CRIMINAL FINES OF UP TO \$500 PER OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. (*Second Reading*)

Motion was made by Councilmember Douglas to accept the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember Green. Motion prevailed by the following vote;

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

B. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2017-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, APPROVING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE ATMOS CITIES STEERING COMMITTEE (“ACSC”) AND ATMOS ENERGY CORP. MID-TEX DIVISION REGARDING THE COMPANY’S 2017 RATE REVIEW MECHANISM FILINGS; DECLARING EXISTING RATES TO BE UNREASONABLE; ADOPTING TARIFFS THAT REFLECT RATE ADJUSTMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT; FINDING THE RATES TO BE SET BY THE SETTLEMENT TARIFFS TO BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST; REQUIRING RECONCILIATION AND RATE ADJUSTMENTS IF FEDERAL INCOME TAX RATES CHANGE; TERMINATING THE RRM PROCESS FOR 2018 PENDING RENEGOTIATION OF RRM TERMS AND CONDITIONS; REQUIRING THE COMPANY TO REIMBURSE ACSC’S REASONABLE RATEMAKING EXPENSES; DETERMINING THAT THIS ORDINANCE WAS PASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REQUIRING DELIVERY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND THE ACSC’S LEGAL COUNSEL. (*First Reading*)

Mr. Archer explained that this ordinance was in effort to keep costs down for the citizens. The ordinance negotiates a lower settlement amount which will raise natural gas rates around \$2.00 per month to the average residential customer.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

C. Consider and Discuss Proposal from AMA Tech-Tel Regarding Placement of Antennas on City of Cisco Water Tower Located on I-20.

Mr. Archer commented that the representative from AMA Tech-Tel did not seem to be in attendance.

Mayor King suggested passing the item for now and if the representative arrived later the Council could revisit.

D. Consider and Discuss Closing W. 18th Street Between Ave. J and Ave. K for Faith Baptist Church on May 25, 2017 from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Mr. Kelly Cozart addressed the Council saying that as the pastor of Faith Baptist Church, they would like to request permission to close W. 18th Street on May 25, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. through 7:30 p.m. for an outdoor wedding at the church.

Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell to grant permission to close the street during for the requested duration, second was made by Councilmember Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

E. Consider and Discuss Firm Proposal from Pall Water.

Mayor King informed the Council that the proposal was in regard to the water filtration trailer that is currently being used for water treatment while the plant is under construction. The original lease was for one year at \$40,000.00 per month. The new lease would be for an additional year at a cost of \$35,000.00 per month. He went on to say that the city is only absorbing 25% of this cost as the rest is paid by FEMA.

Motion was made by Councilmember Weger to accept the proposal from Pall Water, second was made by Councilmember Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

F. Consider and Discuss NSC Beef Processing Update.

Mr. Archer informed the Council that NSC Beef Processing had decided not to build their processing plant in Cisco. The grant had been completed for the infrastructure improvements, but the Texas Department of Agriculture had been informed that the city would not be accepting the funds.

Mr. Canistacio from AMA Tech-Tel arrived so the Council returned to item C to discuss his proposal.

Mr. Canistacio described his company saying that they provide telephone and internet service in small markets and his company would be interested in tying in to existing fiber optic lines in Cisco and begin providing service to citizens. AMA would incur any costs associated with the project and went on to say that they are licensed and bonded to perform the work. The Council asked questions about location of the business, the range of products, and if there would be any opportunity for job creation. He answered that a storefront with a couple of potential employees could be necessary in the future.

Motion was made by Councilmember Weger to allow the City Manager to pursue a contract with AMA Tech-Tel, second was made by Councilmember Green. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Boles

G. Consider and Discuss Street Improvements.

Mr. Archer updated the Council on current street projects, specifically E. 22nd Street, Hopwood St., and E. 18th Street. The street department is cleaning out or replacing culverts and replacing fire hydrants as needed as the projects move forward.

H. Consider and Discuss Water Treatment Plant Update.

Mr. Archer again updated the Council regarding the Water Treatment Plant saying that a pre-construction meeting had been held and the city had asked for requests for proposals from qualified construction companies. The procurement for construction will be conducted at the next meeting on May 22, 2017.

I. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Mayor King reminded the Council that there will be a called meeting on May 15, 2017 to canvass the election results.

Mr. Archer commented that he will be scheduling a planning meeting for the Texas Midwest Communities Network “City of Achievement” program.

Councilmember Green congratulated Mr. Johnson on his recent election win and thanked the City of Cisco for his opportunity to serve.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

James King, Mayor
