

**THE CITY OF CISCO  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
December 14, 2020**

**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>TAMMY DOUGLAS</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II</b>	<b>RYAN JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III</b>	<b>WILLARD JOHNSON</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV</b>	<b>ANDY ESCOBEDO</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V</b>	<b>STEPHEN FORESTER</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI</b>	<b>VACANT</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 WEGER</b>
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Guests: Kenneth Preston, Justin Jaworski, Walter Fairbanks, Nathan Harwell

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mayor Douglas called the meeting to order at 6:02 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:**

Mayor Douglas presented Councilmember Forester with a plaque thanking him for his service on the Cisco Economic Development Board.

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

- **November 23, 2020**

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

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

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

**A. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2020-11-23-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CISCO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, (CDC) TO GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR MUDDY MIKES BAR & GRILL (COMPANY), OPERATING AS LLC MICHAEL BELK. (Second Reading)**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Douglas  
Nays: Forester/Motion Carries  
Voted: 4 to 1  
Absent: Weger

**B. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2020-12-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, TO EXECUTE AN EXEMPTION TO AD VALOREM TAXATION ON HOMESTEADS FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS AND OLDER OR DISABLED PERSONS.**

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

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

**C. Consider and Discuss Energy Contract with Verity Power Group.—Nathan Harwell**

Mr. Harwell made presentation to the Council about extending the current energy contract to lock in current low pricing.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to extend contract with TXU for 72 months at a rate of 0.03268 cents, second was made by Councilmember Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

**D. Consider and Discuss Accepting Bids on Terminated Lake Lot Lease, North Shore Lot 201 & S. ½ of 202.**

Mr. Archer explained that the lessee had defaulted on the lease, all proper notifications and time limits had been met, and now all remaining property belonged to the city. The Council discussed the process of lease termination, the bidding process and which parameters should be set for the bid.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to accept sealed bids on North Shore Lot 201 & S. ½ of 202 until January 8, 2021, with minimum of \$20,000.00, second was made by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

**E. Consider and Discuss Longevity Stipend.**

Mr. Archer again stated that Councilmember Forester had asked the Council to consider granting a longevity stipend to current employees. It was suggested by Councilmember Forester to grant a stipend to employees at the end of the calendar year. Councilmember R. Johnson asked about budgeting for this item and Mr. Archer answered that the stipend was financially possible for the city and the budget could be amended to reflect the grant.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to grant a longevity stipend of \$100.00 to full time employees at the end of the calendar year, second was made by Councilmember Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to grant a longevity stipend of \$50.00 to part time employees at the end of the calendar year, second was made by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

**F. Consider and Discuss City Manager Evaluation. (Executive Session)**

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.074 Personnel Matters at 6:41 p.m.

**G. Consider and Discuss City Secretary Evaluation. (Executive Session)**

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:01 p.m. and took no action.

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

Mr. Archer reminded the Council that the staff Christmas dinner would be at 6:00 p.m. on December 17, 2020. He further stated that City Hall would be closed December 23-25 for the Christmas holiday and again on January 1, 2021, for New Year's Day.

Councilmember W. Johnson asked if we had gotten the new motor grader to which Mr. Archer answered affirmative.

The City Secretary informed the Council that the filing period for the Special Election was ongoing and would end on January 4, 2021 and that the filing period for the Regular Election would begin on January 13, 2021 and end on February 12, 2021.

**I. Announcements from City Council.**

Councilmember Forester told the Council and guests that Christmas lunch will be served free of charge at the Conrad Hilton Center for anyone desiring to take part, both dine in and delivery. He further thanked Paul Flores and the Street Department for all the street repairs being done lately.

Mayor Douglas lastly commented that on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. anyone could pick up a box of food from Chesley Field sponsored by the First United Methodist Church in conjunction with the Redemption Bowl.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

**Tammy Osborne, City Secretary**

**Tammy Douglas, Mayor**

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