

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
February 10, 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:

MAYOR _____	TAMMY DOUGLAS
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II _____	RYAN JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III _____	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV _____	ANDY ESCOBEDO
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V _____	STEPHEN FORESTER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI _____	HEATHER BOLES

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER _____	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY _____	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I _____	JASON WEGER
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Guests: Walter Fairbanks, Butch Petree, Lucas Wilson, William Wright, Jr., John Diers

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:

- **January 27, 2020**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 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 Extending Lake Lot Leases Beyond 2040.—William Wright, Jr.

Mr. Archer explained that with the current leases set to expire in 2040, lenders are wary to grant loans for lake lot lease properties being that the lease would expire prior to the amortization of the loan. Mr. Wright further stated that the lease expiration is a problem, but he also thinks the leases themselves are outdated and certain other provisions need to be updated as well. Mr. Archer stated that his recommendation was as the leases change hands, that the new lease be set with a new expiration date of 2070. The Council further discussed the price point of the leases and the maintenance of the roads leading to the leasehold properties.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to extend any leases expiring or changing hands to an expiration date of 2070, second was made by Councilmember W. Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

Mr. Wright said that he would draw up a new lease showing the other updated provisions and bring it to Council for approval at a later meeting.

The Council continued to discuss the pricing for any new leases with the 2070 expiration date .

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to raise the new lease amount from \$225.00 to \$300.00, second was made by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: R. Johnson/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 1
Absent: Weger

Mr. Wright further inquired if the Council would like to if the Council would like to remove a provision that allows hunting on lake lot lease.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to remove hunting as an approved activity on future lake lot leases, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

B. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2020-02-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, APPROVING WAIVER OF PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CISCO PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

Mr. Archer explained that the proposed resolution was a formal document to back up action taken previously by the Council to permanently waive PILOT payments from the Cisco Housing Authority.

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: W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: R. Johnson/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 1
Absent: Weger

C. Consider and Discuss Folklife Festival Proclamation.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

D. Consider and Discuss Granting a Variance to the Open Container Ordinance for Activities Associated with the Folklife Festival.

Mayor Douglas stated that the Civic League is requesting the standard variance granted previously from Friday, April 24, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. through Sunday, April 26, 2020, at midnight. Councilmember Forester asked if the variance was really necessary for the events planned to which Mayor Douglas answered that the event organizers just wanted people to have the option to visit the brewery and potential new wineries and then leave to wander the rest of the festival. He expressed that he was not in favor of the variance. Mr. Archer commented that historically, the Police Department has not had any problems thus far with the granting of the variance. Chief Preston agreed that any problems that might arise would be handled.

Motion was made by Councilmember R. Johnson to grant the variance as requested, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Boles, Douglas
Nays: Forester/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 1
Absent: Weger

E. Consider and Discuss Closure of Streets for Activities Associated with the Folklife Festival.

Mr. Archer provided the Council with a map depicting the proposed street closures. The requested streets would be closed from 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, 2020 through 7:00 p.m. the same day. The streets closed will be Joe Wheatley Circle and the 100 Block of W. 3rd St.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to approve the requested streets, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, Boles, Douglas
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

F. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Mr. Archer stated that city offices will be closed February 17, 2020 for President's Day; the last day to file for a place on the May Election ballot is February 14, 2020; April 18, 2020, will be city-wide clean up with a provided tire disposal trailer; April 20-24 will be the clean sweep event for Code Enforcement; and then Folklife Festival will be April 25, 2020. Further, he is still waiting on a contract from TCEQ to begin the risk assessment on the dam.

G. Announcements from City Council.

Councilmember Escobedo praised the revival of the school crossing on 8th Street.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST:



Tammy Osborne, City Secretary



Tammy Douglas, Mayor
