

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
September 26, 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	STEPHEN FORESTER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I	JASON WHETSTONE
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	ROBERT JOHNSTON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	NATHAN BRUNER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	CHRIS JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	TRAVIS TOOF

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

Guests: Kenneth Preston, Steven Livingston, Lee Risdon, Linda Livingston, Diane Taylor

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Forester 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 Toof gave the invocation.

IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

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

A. Consider and Discuss Final Master Fee Schedule.

Mr. Archer explained that the proposed schedule reflected all those fees that had been changed by ordinance at the last several meetings and additionally, those set strictly by policy. He further indicated that the new fee schedule would take effect on October 1, 2022.

Motion was made by Councilmember Whetstone to approve the Master Fee Schedule as presented, second was made by Councilmember W. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

B. Consider and Discuss Travel Policy.

Mr. Archer again explained that city's travel policy was woefully outdated and the presented policy would fall in line with current state standards and would be incorporated into the Personnel Policies and Procedures.

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to approve policy as presented, second was made by Councilmember Whetstone. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

C. Consider and Discuss Executing Curing Actions Regarding 2011 Water Line Installation.

Mr. Archer stated that there have been 3 major water line breaks at this location in the last 14 months and he has begun the process to request an inspection by the engineering firm of the documented evidence from the breaks to see if any loss could be recuperated from the contractor or manufacturer. Mr. Archer asked the Council if they had any additional instructions for moving forward.

No action was taken on this item.

D. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-21

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, PROVIDING THE ALLEY BETWEEN E. 17TH STREET AND E. 18TH STREET AND BETWEEN FIR AND WALNUT STREETS IN BLOCK 15 OF THE ELFRETHEM HEIGHTS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CISCO, EASTLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, BE CLOSED AND THAT THE DEDICATION OF THE RIGHT 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. *(First Reading)*

Mr. Archer pointed out where the proposed abandonment was located and explained that an area property owner had requested the abandonment. The Council asked if the block was owned by one person to which the City Secretary answered 'no'. Councilmember C. Johnson had concerns about the adjoining property owners not being notified or on board with the abandonment because the addition of property could increase their property value.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

E. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2022-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ADJUSTING AND AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Second Reading)*

Mr. Archer pointed out that the exhibit accompanying the budget amendment ordinance had been changed since the first reading. There were several adjustments the Finance Director wanted made before the final reading of the budget amendment. The budget would then be amended as presented at the second reading. Mayor Forester asked about approving the second reading if there had been changes since the first reading to which Mr. Archer replied that, after research, the consensus between himself and the City Secretary was that the ordinance could move forward as presented.

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

F. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Mr. Archer explained that city offices would be closed October 10, 2022 in observance of Columbus Day and Mayor Forester reminded the Council that the City Council meeting regularly scheduled for that day had been moved to Tuesday, October 11, 2022. Mr. Archer also invited the Council to attend the retirement party for Ronnie Johnson after his many years of service on Thursday, September 29, 2022.

G. Announcements from Council.

Councilmember Bruner stated that at a date not yet determined, a group of local students will be conducting a food giveaway for donations to go to the animal shelter. Mayor Forester additionally reminded the Council and guests that a free meal will be served on Thanksgiving Day from 11:00-1:00.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

Stephen Forester, Mayor
