

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
September 9, 2024**

**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 II _____	ROBERT JOHNSTON
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:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I _____	JASON WHETSTONE
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III _____	WILLARD JOHNSON

Guests: Jane Nichols, Tammy Archer, Peggy Ledbetter, Rachel Green, Kenneth Preston, Scott Pittman, Lee Risdon, Justin Jaworski, Sean King, Casey Murter

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:

- **August 26, 2024**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

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

A. Consider and Discuss Removal of Members from Cisco Development Corporation Board and Cisco 4A Development Corporation Board and Potentially Filling Vacant Seats.

Councilmember C. Johnson read a prepared statement saying that he had requested the item be placed on the agenda and, although he supports the CDC and Mr. Jaworski, he specifically would like to see Mr. Philip Green removed from both boards. He further stated that he feels the relationship between the Council and the CDC has become strained and that Mr. Green's viewpoints do not line up with the Council's goals any longer.

Motion was made by Councilmember C. Johnson to remove Philip Green from the Cisco Development Corporation Board and the Cisco 4A Development Corporation Board, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof
Nays: Forester/Motion Carries
Voted: 4 to 1
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to appoint Justin McPherson to the vacant seat on both boards, second was made by Councilmember Bruner. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to leave any other empty seats vacant until the next meeting, second was made by Councilmember Toof. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

B. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 12 "LICENSES AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS" SPECIFICALLY SECTION 12-21 "LICENSE FEE" AMENDING FEES FOR ITINERANT VENDOR/SOLICITORS LICENSE FEES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Second Reading)*

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

C. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 13 "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" SPECIFICALLY SECTION 13-106 "PERMIT REQUIRED" AMENDING FEES FOR GOLF CARTS/UTILITY VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Second Reading)*

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

D. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 8 “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION” SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE IV “OUTDOOR BURNING PERMITS” AMENDING SECTION 8-45.1 “ISSUANCE OF PERMIT”; OFFENSES” TO INCLUDE THE FEE FOR A BURN PERMIT; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

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: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

E. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS AMENDING CERTAIN SUBSECTIONS OF CHAPTER 5 “ANIMALS AND FOWL” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS 5-19 “REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED DOGS”, 5-23 “DOG SURRENDER FEE”, 5-34 “CONFINEMENT FOR OBSERVATION”, AND 5-75 “ANNUAL PERMIT” ESTABLISHING UPDATED FEES FOR PERMIT, IMPOUND, SHELTER, QUARANTINE, AND SURRENDER BY THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

F. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2024, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025, FOR THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

G. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE 2024-2025 BUDGET YEAR OF CISCO, TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

H. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2024-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ADJUSTING AND AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

I. Consider and Discuss Master Fee Schedule.

Mr. Archer presented the final Master Fee Schedule for approval.

Motion was made by C. Johnson to approve the fee schedule as presented, second was made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Johnston, Bruner, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Whetstone, W. Johnson

J. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning

Mr. Archer said that city offices would be closed on October 14, 2024 for Columbus Day and reminded the Council that the meeting scheduled for that date had been moved to October 15, 2024; Chamber of Commerce banquet on October 15th, Piefest and the Big Dam Car Show will be October 19th; and October 26th will be Trick or Treat night downtown.

Chief Preston informed the Council that October 1st would be National Night Out hosted by Redeemer Lutheran Church from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

K. Announcements for City Council.

Councilmember C. Johnson requested that the Council and CDC start having regular quarterly meetings and asked Mr. Archer and Mr. Jaworski to look into scheduling those. He further asked about the legality of CDC budgets being approved by the Council prior to approval by the Development Corporation Boards. Lastly, he asked about a re-evaluation of the Drought Contingency Plan, specifically when to institute water restrictions.

Councilmember Bruner asked if Battle Creek was pumping to which Mr. Archer answered, no, because there had been damage to the line.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

ATTEST:



Tammy Osborne, City Secretary



Stephen Forester, Mayor

