

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
August 28, 2023**

**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 (BY VIDEOCONFERENCE) _____	CHRIS JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI _____	TRAVIS TOOF

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER _____	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY _____	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

Guests: Walter Fairbanks, Kenneth Preston, Brenda Vickers, Gena Camacho, Clyde Wule, Steven Livingston, Buck Williams, Jane Nichols, Nicole Desmond, Susan Locke, Sam Guthrie III, Ross Franz, Stefanie Crawford, Lloyd Fagan, Donna Fagan, Pat Chesser, Peggy Ledbetter, Lee Risdon, Justin Jaworski, Jason Weger

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:

Ms. Vickers had turned in a Speaker's Request Form, but wished to speak once the particular agenda item had been called for discussion.

V. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

- **August 14, 2023**

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve the minutes 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:

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

A. Consider and Discuss Leasing Space on the Standpipe to New Source Broadband.

Mr. Archer stated that he had received a request from NSB to lease tower space for broadband services. Mr. Franz and Ms. Crawford from NSB explained what the contract would entail and the products they would provide.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to allow the City Manager to enter into negotiations with New Source Broadband to lease space on the standpipe, second was made by Councilmember Toof. 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 Boat Dock Permit.—Jeree Devisser

The Council reviewed the application.

Motion was made by Councilmember Whetstone to approve the boat dock permit 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:

C. Consider and Discuss Crisis Center Contracts.

Ms. Camacho from the Eastland County Crisis Center presented information regarding the services the center provides and presented the 2023-2024 Service Contracts for both the Eastland County Crisis Center and the Child Advocacy Center. She explained that the free services provided to Eastland County citizens represented a dollar amount of approximately \$218,000.00 and the statutorily required services provided to the city would cost around \$13,000.00. The contracts presented represent a cost of \$10,200.00 for the city. Sheriff Weger spoke regarding the importance of the Crisis Center and how the city would have to pay for those mandated services regardless of whether they received them from the Eastland County Crisis Center or from another provider because they are required by law.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to approve the contracts 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:

D. Consider and Discuss and Approve Cisco Development Corporation and Cisco 4A Development Corporation Budgets for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.—Justin Jaworski

Mr. Jaworski presented the budgets for each corporation and answered questions from the Council.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Whetstone, Johnston, W. Johnson, C. Johnson, Toof, Forester
Nays: Bruner/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 1
Absent:

E. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-13

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. (First Reading)

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve ordinance 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:

F. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-14

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

G. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-15

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. (First Reading)

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve the ordinance 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:

H. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-16

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. (First Reading)

Motion was made by Councilmember Whetstone to approve 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:

I. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2023, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, FOR THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer explained that since the Council had approved the Crisis Center Contracts the budget would be amended to reflect that expenditure.

Motion was made by Councilmember Toof to approve the ordinance with the amendment, 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:

J. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2023-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE 2023-2024 BUDGET YEAR OF CISCO, TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer explained that the required public hearing for the tax rate had been held earlier in the evening at 5:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bruner to approve the ordinance as presented, second was made by Councilmember Toof. 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:

K. Consider and Discuss Annexation of Hidden Shores. (Executive Session)

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney at 6:41 p.m.

L. Consider and Discuss Cisco Municipal Airport. (Executive Session)

The Council continued in Executive Session under Section 551.087 Economic Development Negotiations.

M. Consider and Discuss Public Facility Improvements at the Old Zoo Trails. (Executive Session)

The Council continued in Executive Session under Section 551.087 Economic Development Negotiations.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:19 p.m. and took no action.

N. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

None.

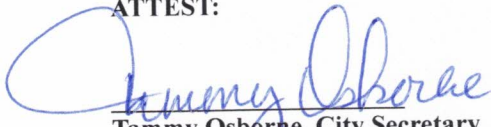
O. Announcements for City Council.

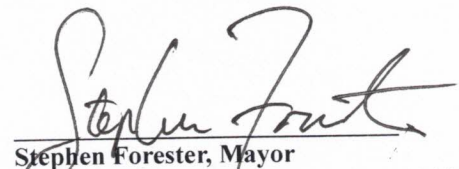
None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Johnston. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

ATTEST:


Tammy Osborne, City Secretary


Stephen Forester, Mayor

