

**THE CITY OF CISCO  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
August 27, 2018**

**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 I</b>	<b>JASON WEGER</b>
<b>COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II</b>	<b>DENNIS CAMPBELL</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>CHRIS JOHNSON</b>

**PERSONNEL PRESENT:**

<b>CITY MANAGER</b>	<b>DARWIN ARCHER</b>
<b>CITY SECRETARY</b>	<b>TAMMY OSBORNE</b>

**PERSONNEL ABSENT:**

Guests: Teresa Slaughter, Jay Slaughter, Butch Petree, Scott McAuley, Walter Fairbanks, John Diers, John Voller, Richard Harrison, Judy Langford, Teresa Howell, Janelle Campbell, Marcia Hale, Jane Nichols, Julie Elrod, William Wright, Ross Franz, Judy Morgan, Dixie Courtney

**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 Escobedo gave the invocation.

**IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:**

None

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

**August 13, 2018**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

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

**A. Consider and Discuss Granting a Variance to the Fencing Ordinance.—Richard Harrison**

Mr. Harrison has recently been notified by Code Enforcement that his fence is not in compliance and encroaches into the city's set back. He requests a variance to the ordinance as the fence had been in existence for around 40 years. It does not currently block the view of traffic from any direction and he states that he has invested heavily in the area and would like to continue spending his money improving lots as opposed to moving the existing fence.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to grant the variance to Mr. Harrison unless and until the fence is ever changed or torn down, second was made by Councilmember C. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: Weger/Motion Carries  
Voted: 6 to 1  
Absent: None

**B. Consider and Discuss Changing Sidewalk Location in the 100 Block of W. 7<sup>th</sup> St.—Janelle Campbell**

Mrs. Campbell of the Keep Cisco Beautiful organization explained to the Council that they had received a donation of \$1,500.00 for landscaping downtown. Only a couple of areas are left to be landscaped and both have a sidewalk bisecting the grassy area. Her organization would like to move the sidewalk closer to the street to free up a larger grassy area for beautification. Mr. Archer stated that the city was not opposed to this proposition and city employees could provide demolition of the current sidewalk.

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to approve moving the sidewalk, second was made by Councilmember Weger. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**C. Consider and Discuss and Potentially Award Construction Bid for TX CDBG Project No. 7217069 Sewer System Improvements.—John Voller**

Mr. Voller, of Enprotec Hibbs & Todd informed the Council that at the bid opening last week, seven bids were received and Lee Tech was identified as the low bidder. In addition, they were the only bidder that came in lower than the estimated available grant funds. Both E/HT and Mr. Archer recommend awarding the bid to Lee Tech for the sewer system improvements.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to award the construction bid for TX CDBG Project No. 7217069 to Lee Tech, second was made by Councilmember C. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**D. Consider and Discuss Allowing New Source Broadband to Place an Antenna on the Water Tower.**

Mr. Ross Franz of New Source Broadband requested permission to place an antenna on the water tower to provide internet service to residents of the city and the lake. The Council discussed the existing contract we have with another provider and whether or not that would represent a conflict. It was determined that New Source Broadband would not use the same bandwidth as the current provider so it shouldn't conflict. The Council discussed the rental fees that would be paid and Mr. Franz stated he was offering \$350.00 and Mr. Archer said that was a consistent number for that service.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to allow New Source Broadband to place an antenna on the water tower as long as it does not interfere with current contracted provider, second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**E. Consider and Discuss Closing E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street on October 13, 2018 for Activities Related to Cisco Night Out.—  
Chief McAuley**

Chief McAuley would like to close E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street on October 13, 2018 for bounce houses, and other activities being planned for Cisco Night Out. The Council inquired if the new apartment complex would be open by then and Mr. Diers answered affirmatively. It was determined that closing that street would impact those residents living in the apartments negatively and Mr. Diers suggested and offered property that the CDC owns nearby for those activities so that the street might be left open.

No action was taken on this item.

**F. Consider and Discuss City Attorney Rates.**

Councilmember Campbell began discussion saying that he had done the math between Mr. Wright's retainer/hourly rate and the hourly rate proposed by Mr. Chesser and stated that Mr. Wright came in slightly less when calculated. Councilmember C. Johnson concurred.

Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell to continue using Mr. William Wright as the City Attorney, second was made by Councilmember C. Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**G. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2018-13**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2018 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019, FOR THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AND EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**H. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2018-14**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY FOR THE 2018-2019 BUDGET YEAR OF CISCO TEXAS; AND ESTABLISHING AND EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**I. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2018-08-27**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, APPROVING IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE AT THE CISCO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

Mr. Archer stated this would be the first step toward the improvements at the airport. The resolution does not commit the city to any expenditures, but allows us to get on the agenda with the Texas Department of Transportation Aviation Division in October. Councilmember C. Johnson asked the Mayor if she had yet convened the committee to look at improvements at the airport. She stated that CDC was currently conducting an impact study funded by AEP and the committee will meet once that study is available for review.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**J. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2018-08-27-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION 2016 NON-HOUSING PROJECT APPLICATION TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION PROGRAM.**

Mr. Archer explained that this resolution represented a second attempt to qualify for grant funds to address bridges, streets and drainage problems in the city. The city had previously applied for the grant, but did not at that time meet all the criteria.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**K. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2018-08-27-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING ADOPTING CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND COMPLAINT PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.**

Mr. Archer continued explaining that the next two resolutions were necessary to participate in the grant application for the General Land Office.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**L. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2018-08-27-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF CERTAIN GRANT PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CITY MANAGER TO ACT AS THE CITY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION PROGRAMS.**

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester, C. Johnson, Douglas  
Nays: None/Motion Carries  
Voted: 7 to 0  
Absent: None

**M. Consider and Discuss Water Treatment Plant Update.**

Mr. John Voller again addressed the Council regarding the Water Treatment Plant construction saying that construction was slightly behind, but progress continues to be made and he fully intends that they will be back on schedule soon. If not, they are contractually obligated to be significantly complete by November 28, 2018 and if they fail to meet that date the city can seek liquidated damages. The final completion date will be 30 days later near the end of December.

**N. Consider and Discuss Water Rights for Lake Cisco Development.—William Wright, Jr. (Executive Session)**

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.072 Real Property at 6:54 p.m.

The Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:23 p.m. and took no action.

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

Mr. Archer reminded the Council and guests that City Hall would be closed on Monday September 3, 2018 for Labor Day. He further stated that he has a written plan for street paving available if the Council would like to see it.

Councilmember Escobedo asked for an update on the Lake Lot Leases. Mayor Douglas stated that a committee had been appointed, but a meeting not yet set.

Mr. Archer closed by informing the Council that the dedication for the new Highway 6 bridge will be October 25, 2018, and that the ribbon cutting for the Laguna Lofts will be October 25, 2018.

**P. Announcements from City Council.**

None

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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**Tammy Osborne, City Secretary**

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**Tammy Douglas, Mayor**

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