

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
July 13, 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:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I/MAYOR PRO TEM	JASON WEGER
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	RYAN JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	ANDY ESCOBEDO
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	STEPHEN FORESTER

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

MAYOR	TAMMY DOUGLAS
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	HEATHER BOLES

Guests: Dixie Courtney, Dalas Vaughn, Randy Johnson, Paul Flores, Robert Johnston, Tracy Gordon, Walter Fairbanks, Kenneth Preston

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro Tem Weger 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.

VI. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED ON:

- **June 23, 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: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

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

A. Consider and Discuss Eastland County Crisis Center Contracts.—Rhonda Howie

Ms. Howie presented the Council with statistics from the Crisis Center regarding the scope and success of the programs and asked the city to continue support in the amount of \$10,200.00 which is the same amount requested in the last fiscal year.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

B. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CERTAIN SUBSECTIONS OF CHAPTER 14 “OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES; SPECIFICALLY SECTION 14-73 “SEX OFFENDER PROHIBITION”, ADDING ITEM (e) PROHIBITING EMPLOYMENT WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS BY A SEX OFFENDER REGISTERED IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION WITHOUT NOTIFYING CISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT. *(Second Reading)*

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

C. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 10-19 “RATES” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES ESTABLISHING SANITATION RATES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Second Reading)*

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

D. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS PROVIDING THAT E. 15TH STREET BETWEEN HUMBLE AVENUE AND WALNUT STREET BE CLOSED AND THAT THE DEDICATION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY BE VACATED AND ABANDONED, EXCEPT FOR THE EXISTING UTILITY AND/OR DRAINAGE EASEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REVERSION OF THE FEE IN SAID LAND; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON FINAL PASSAGE. *(Second Reading)*

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

E. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-07

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 SECTION 5-20 “DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED DOGS”, TO INCLUDE THE AUTHORITY TO REHOUSE UNCLAIMED DOGS AND ESTABLISHING AN ADMINISTRATIVE REHOUSING FEE. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer explained that the proposed ordinance would give the Animal Control Officer the authority to rehouse abandoned or surrendered dogs and establishes a fee for the service. Council discussed the particulars of rehousing a dog and if the Animal Control Officer requires vaccinations or for the animal to be spayed or neutered. There was discussion of the city performing these services and then passing those fees on to the adopter, but eventually, the Council agreed that that measure might prohibit people from adopting a dog from the facility. The Council requested that the Animal Control Officer attend the next meeting to answer specific questions about the rehousing process and provide statistics regarding repeat offenders.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

F. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS PROVIDING THAT AVENUE G FROM THE SOUTH LINE OF W. 20TH STREET TO THE NORTH LINE OF W. 21ST STREET AND THE ALLEY WAY BETWEEN W. 20TH STREET AND W. 21ST STREET 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 FEE IN SAID LAND; AND, PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON FINAL PASSAGE. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer commented that the property is currently owned by the Economic Development Corporation and they have a prospective buyer who would like to develop the property if the city is willing to abandon the undeveloped right of way.

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, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

G. Consider and Discuss Ordinance No. 0-2020-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 16 “PARKS AND RECREATION” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE II “CITY LAKES AND RESERVOIRS”; ESTABLISHING RECREATION PERMIT REGULATIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (First Reading)

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

H. Consider and Discuss Placement of “Children at Play” Signs on W. 3rd Street.

Mr. Archer stated that this item was brought personally by him as he would like to post signs that he has purchased himself in his yard that say “Autistic Child at Play” for his grandson.

Motion was made by Councilmember W. Johnson to approve placement of signs, second was made by Councilmember Forester. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, R. Johnson, W. Johnson, Escobedo, Forester
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 0
Absent: Douglas, Boles

I. Consider and Discuss Conveyance of City Owned Property at Cisco Municipal Airport to Cisco Economic Development Corporation. (Executive Session)

The Council retired into Executive Session under Section 551.072 Real Property at 6:27 p.m.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 6:46 p.m. and took no action.

J. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Mr. Archer announced that budget talks would begin in August with a workshop in conjunction with the August 10 Council meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Weger asked Mr. Archer to update the Council on lake patrol. Mr. Archer answered that the city had located a boat for lake patrol, but so far, it has not been officially purchased. He went on to say that Texas Parks and Wildlife will provide on-site training for lake patrol at no cost to the city and three currently employed officers have expressed an interest in doing lake patrol.

K. Announcements from City Council.

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Forester to adjourn, second made by Councilmember R. Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

ATTEST:



Tammy Osborne, City Secretary



Tammy Douglas, Mayor
