



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 6:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 120 Paint Rock Street, Eden, TX

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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 6:14pm.

PRESENT

Mayor Renae Rodgers
Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Martinez
Council Member Grover Hall
Council Member Randy Dunaway
Council Member Tanya Garcia

ABSENT

Council Member Bradley Gandy

Staff

City Administrator Priscilla Aguirre
Assistant to City Administrator Melanie Lozano
City Attorney Andrew Quittner

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council for the City of Eden has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices, and 551.086 (Economic Development).

There was no need for Executive Session at this meeting.

3. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

Floor open to discussion on any subject. No action may be taken by law. Citizens wishing to speak shall do so after being recognized by the Mayor. The Mayor and City Council may establish a time limit as necessary.

No public comments.

4. BUSINESS

Consideration and Possible Action On:

- A. RFP: Discuss and approve award to selected grant management firm for grant pre-application, application, and implementation services for the City of Eden's 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Grant Fund Program as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Mrs. Aguirre reminded the Council that Samantha with Grant Works had come and talked about the Texas Department of Agriculture 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program at a previous meeting. Up to \$750,000 could be awarded through this grant and the top 3 priorities given to them for the use of the grant were: (1) streets, (2) sewer, and (3) water. Council had approved to move forward with them to begin the process to apply for the grant. Public Management and Grant Works are the only 2 proposals that have been turned in. She stated that each Council member would have to rate each proposal. Payment is only due to either company if grant is awarded.

Public Management was established in 1982. They've done about \$1 billion in projects and 75% of their applications have been awarded. They have a 14 month time line from start to finish and have done both federal and state grants. They are proposing \$58,725 for a \$750,000 grant or 7.83% of the grant amount, whichever is lower.

Grant Works has been around over 40 years and have assisted entities in securing over \$10 billion in assistance. They are proposing 6.66% of the \$750,000 which is \$49,950.

Motion was made to approve hiring Grant Works for grant pre-application, application, and implementation services for the City of Eden's 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Grant Fund Program as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture and for mayor to sign resolution.

Motion made by Council Member Hall, Seconded by Council Member Dunaway.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, Council Member Hall, Council Member Dunaway, Council Member Garcia

- B. Transfer of \$150,000 funds from the City's IGA Account #278547 to the City's Pool Cash Account #6041 to fund the annual renewal of TML liability policies.

Priscilla Aguirre stated that the City's TML liability policies are up for annual renewal. The amount is about \$87,000. She is asking to move funds from the IGA account to the Pool cash account to cover this amount and well as a cushion for upcoming bills.

Motion was made to transfer \$150,000 funds from the City's IGA Account #278547 to the City's Pool Cash Account #6041.

Motion made by Council Member Hall, Seconded by Council Member Dunaway.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, Council Member Hall, Council Member Dunaway, Council Member Garcia

- C. The City of Eden's request for Proposal for Banking Services.

Mrs. Aguirre stated that a Request for Proposal for Banking Services needs to be done every 5 years. City council will need to enter percentage amounts in Section (v) of the Request. The RFP will need to be posted at least 21 days before the Council can accept a proposal. Council decided on the following percentages: 20% time deposit interest rates, 25% cost of service, 25% service availability, and 30% safety and creditworthiness of bank.

Motion was made to approve the request for Proposal for Banking Services with the insertion of the before mentioned percentages.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, Seconded by Council Member Garcia.
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Martinez, Council Member Hall, Council Member Dunaway, Council Member Garcia

5. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:06pm.

Attest:

Mayor Renae Rodgers

City Administrator Priscilla Aguirre