

CITY OF EVERMAN

212 North Race Street Everman, TX 76140

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: Potential relocation for all public meetings

MEETING DATE: 03/21/2023

PREPARED BY: C. W. Spencer

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Consensus Approval - No formal Action Needed

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The current Public Works Facility Office space is continuing to deteriorate. Employees have expressed concern for the current working environment in the office, citing foul odors, leaks, air conditioning, etc. Repairs to this building would cost an exceptional amount of money in order to make it suitable. Additionally, with the recent increase in staff across the city, we are experiencing a need for additional office space.

The City Manager would like to propose a permanent change of venue for all public meetings, including City Council Meetings. If agreed, all meetings will be held within the Everman Civic Center. Equipment and staff are available to handle this change. Doing so would allow for the current City Council chambers to be converted into a shared office space, with a seating area and cubicle-style office spaces. This office space would be utilized by code enforcement, permits, departmental assistants, etc. This would allow us to utilize the current permit office as a Public Works office. Furthermore, the Civic Center venue for public meetings will grant more space for attendees as well as a more appropriate executive session location when needed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Minimal - expected to be completed within approved budget.