

CITY OF EVERMAN

212 North Race Street Everman, TX 76140

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: ORDINANCE # 805 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", ARTICLE II "COUNCIL", BY AMENDING SECTION 2-21 "MEETINGS", SUBSECTION (a); PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MEETING DATE: 01/16/2024

PREPARED BY: C. W. Spencer

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

No recommendation

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City of Everman is currently engaged in a professional service agreement with Nichols Jackson Law Firm for legal services. Victoria Thomas currently serves as our primary City Attorney and is also a partner with the firm. Victoria also serves several other cities, some of which also meet on the same nights as the Everman City Council. This has always prohibited Victoria from being able to attend meetings herself and an Assistant City Attorney has always been assigned. Unfortunately, this has always led to natural changes in the staffing of that position.

Victoria has been absolutely instrumental for our organization over the past year. She has a truly vested interest in our city and has done an amazing job for our citizens. It is my belief that it would be very valuable to the City Council and our staff if she were able to be in attendance at the meetings. Not only because of her skill as an attorney, but also because of her specific vested interest in the city and her institutional knowledge of our community.

Victoria has shared that she is available on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. This item is being placed on the agenda as an action item and can be deliberated and discussed. Since it will be listed as an action item, the city council may take action at that time if needed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No Impact