

HEWITT TEXAS

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

March 06, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Hewitt City Hall, 200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643

MINUTES

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor, Ward 3

Michael S. Bancale, Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large – **Vacant**, Council Member, Ward 1

Johnny Stephens, Council Member, Ward 1 – **Johnny Price**, Council Member, Ward 2

Bob Potter, Council Member, Ward 2 – **Erica Bruce**, Council Member, Ward 3

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Bancale called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, declared a quorum of the Council. Mayor Steve Fortenberry was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Bancale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not properly posted on the agenda. [Note: Members of the public who wish to speak must complete a “Public Comment Form” and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting.]

Mayor Pro Tem Bancale read the statement above and inquired if the City Secretary received any public comment forms. The City Secretary received no public comment forms.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2023.

MOTION: Council Member Bob Potter moved approval of the minutes as presented but to allow for corrections.

SECOND: Council Member Johnny Price

AYES: Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fortenberry

MOTION PASSED.

2. PRESENTATION OF CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT BY CITY ENGINEER MILES WHITNEY, P.E.

➤ **UPDATE ON PENDING UTILITY PROJECTS.**

➤ **UPDATE ON PENDING STREET PROJECTS.**

➤ **UPDATE ON PENDING DRAINAGE PROJECTS.**

City Engineer Miles Whitney presented a review of the listed projects.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT APPLICATION.

City Manager Bo Thomas and Fire Chief Jonathan Christian presented.

MOTION: Council Member Johnny Price moved approval to authorize the Fire Department to submit a grant application for the SAFER Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

SECOND: Council Member Erica Bruce

AYES: Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fortenberry

MOTION PASSED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Erica Bruce moved to adjourn the Regular meeting at 7:08 PM.

SECOND: Council Member Bob Potter

AYES: Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fortenberry

MOTION PASSED.

Approved: _____

ATTEST:

Lydia Lopez, City Secretary

Steve Fortenberry, Mayor