



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Monday, November 14, 2022 – 6:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.

Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.

MINUTES

1,085

Mayor Hyman called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and announced a quorum present.

PRESENT

Mayor Brad Hyman
Councilwoman Shereilyn Roberson
Councilman Harold Cason
Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey
Councilwoman Mary Keys

VISITORS

Annetta Hamilton, Cory Taylor, Lillie Bush-Reves, Mark & Amy Huddleston, David Newman MVPD, Craig Lindholm

Kathy Lovier lead the invocation and Mayor Hyman lead the pledges.

1. Consent Agenda
Minutes 10/11/2022 & Workshop Meeting Minutes
October financial report

Motion made by Councilwoman Roberson, Seconded by Councilman Cason.

Voting Yea: Mayor Hyman, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilwoman Keys

Report on Items of Community Interest

Mayor Hyman reported the Tiger Football team has advanced again and will be playing West in Tatum this week.

No one spoke in Citizen Participation

Public Hearing

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a request made by Mark Huddleston to re-plot his property located at 208 Turner and 300 Leftwich Streets in Mt. Vernon, Texas.

Mayor Hyman closed the Regular Session at 6:07 p.m. and opened the Public Hearing.

Mark Huddleston explained to Council, he is requesting to clean up his property lines before selling his property located at 300 Leftwich Street.

Mayor Hyman closed the Public Hearing at 6:09 p.m. and re-opened the Regular Session.

Items to be Considered:

2. Consider and Act upon approval of Ordinance 2022-12 re-platting properties located at 208 Turner Street and 300 Leftwich Street

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys.

Voting Yea: Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilwoman Keys

Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston signed an affidavit of conflict of interest and was not present with the sitting Council during the vote of this item. He was a member of the audience.

3. **Executive Session**

Personnel matters pursuant to *Texas Government Code, §551.074*, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal or resignation of a public officer: City Manager

Reconvene

Reconvene into Open Session to Consider Matters Discussed in Closed Session (If Any)

After Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston joined the Council at the bench, at 6:10 p.m. Mayor Hyman closed the Regular Session and opened the Executive Session.

At 7:10 p.m. Mayor Hyman closed the Executive Session and re-opened the Regular Session.

Motion made by Councilwoman Roberson, made a motion to allow Mayor Hyman to negotiate a contract with Craig Lindholm in the role as Interim City Administrator. Seconded by Councilman Cason. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilwoman Keys

4. Consider and Act upon approval of stipend for City Secretary.

Motion made by Councilwoman Roberson to pay \$500 per month for one year, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilwoman Keys

5. Consider and act upon approval of entering into professional services contract with Mosaic Public Partners regarding City Manager.

This Item is being postponed until further notice.

Discussion Items and Mayor/Council/City Administrator Reports

Water, Sewer, Streets, Park, Sidewalks, Grants (City Admin)

City Secretary Lovier advised Council of a open records request on behalf of Franklin County Environmental Action Council, Inc. requesting any emails or written correspondence with anyone regarding the sale of water to any companies regarding solar panel farms. I have responded that there has been no such correspondence.

Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

Motion made by Councilwoman Keys at 7:15 p.m. to close the meeting, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.
Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilwoman Roberson, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Bailey, Councilwoman Keys

Brad Hyman – Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Lovier – City Secretary