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# City of George West



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## **REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES- MARCH 19, 2020**

I. The City Council met in Regular Session with Mayor Andrew Garza, calling the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call by City Secretary D'Ann Lane.

Council Present: Mayor Andrew Garza, Council Members, Patricia Clifton, Jearl Rannefeld, John Walker, and Tim Humphrey

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: Shirley Holm, D'Ann Lane, Yolanda Guerrero, Pete Pena, Chief David Perkins, and Jimmy Loya Jr.,

Attorney Present: Epi Ysassi

Guests Present: See Sign-In Sheet

III. Tim Humphrey, gave the invocation.

IV. City Secretary D'Ann Lane, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

V. City Secretary D'Ann Lane, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas.

VI. Public Comments

Public comments were made from Sandra Amoles, she was concerned with the pay of Interim Chief of Police, and being able to work Border Star and Stone Garden.

Sheri McNamara, is concerned with a grandfather clause of the current ordinance regarding Travel Trailers.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the April City Council Regular Session Meeting to 6:30 p.m.
2. **Consideration and Action** to approve the following minutes:
  - a) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes 2-10-2020.**

Mayor Garza, asked if anything needed to be pulled. Nothing was pulled. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor consent agenda passed.

**BUSINESS:**

3. **Consideration and Action** to accept the resignation of Chief of Police, David Perkins.

Move as read Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Chief Perkins, asked to the council to talk in Executive Session. At 6:38 pm council entered Executive Session. Mayor Garza, entertained a motion to reconvene. Move as read by John Walker, seconded by Patricia Clifton. The council reconvened at 6:51 pm.

John Walker made a motion for no action, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor of no action

4. **Consideration and Action** to approve the appointment of an Interim Chief of Police, commencing on March 20, 2020, with a salary of \$30.00 per hour.

**OATH administered to Interim Chief of Police.**

**Mayor Garza, entertained a motion for no action. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by Tim Humphrey. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor of no action.**

5. **Consideration and Action** to approve the Interim Chief of Police, to be compensated for overtime with regards to the Border Star and Stone Garden Grants.

**Mayor Garza, entertained a motion for no action. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by Tim Humphrey. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor of no action.**

**ORDINANCES:**

5. **Consideration and Action** to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 870, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GEORGE WEST ENTITLED CELL PHONE USE PROHIBITED.

Move as read Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Open for discussion. Chief Perkins, gave the council an update on what this ordinance consists of. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. First reading passed.

7. **Discussion** on the guidelines on Ordinance No. 723-A, regarding the placement of recreational vehicles within the city limits of George West.

Shirley Holm, gave the council an update on this agenda item. She wants more clarification on this ordinance. There are some individuals who feel like they may be grandfathered in. They're thinking if they purchased the property with the ability to hookup a travel trailer, they should be able to use that. Shirley Holm, only found 2 individuals who came and asked for a variance.

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

8. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-01, Canceling the Regular City Officer's Election Scheduled to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2020, in Accordance with Section 2.053 (a) of the Texas Election Code; Directing the Giving of Notice of Such Cancellation of Election; and Providing Details relating to the Cancellation of Such Election.

Aprobar la Resolución Nro. 2020-01, Cancelando la Elección Regular de Funcionarios Municipales programada para celebrarse el día 2 de mayo de 2020 de acuerdo con la Sección 2.053 (a) del Código Electoral de Texas; instruyendo que se de aviso de tal cancelación de elección; y proveyendo detalles relativos a la cancelación de tal elección.

Move as read Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. Resolution Adopted.

9. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-02, the Live Oak County FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by Patricia Clifton. Shirley, gave the council an update on what this resolution is. Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor. Resolution Adopted.

10. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-03, a Resolution supporting the application for the Local Border Star Security Program, BL21 PY21 GRANT for 2021.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by John Walker. Open for discussion. All in favor. Resolution Adopted.

11. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-04, a Resolution supporting the application for the George West Software Project, DJ19 PY21 Criminal Justice Program GRANT for 2021.

Move as read Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Jimmy Loya, gave the council an update. Resolution Adopted.

12. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-05, a Resolution removing Kitley Wasicek, as a signatory on the South Trust Bank accounts, and adding Tim Humphrey.

Move as read by Patricia Clifton, seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. All in favor. Resolution adopted.

13. **Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for February 2020.  
Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld, seconded by Patricia Clifton. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS:**

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION. In accordance with Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Consultation with Attorney), the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:**

- a) Pending EEOC litigation.

The council did not have an Executive Session, for this agenda item.

#### **BRIEFINGS:**

15. **Interim City Manager's Report:**

- a) Revenue and Expense Report for February 2020.  
Shirley, gave the council an update 1731309.01 in the bank. Revenue and expenses we have 5,600 for the month.
- b) City and Project Updates  
Mayor Garza, gave the council an update and let them know we activated our Emergency Command Center. Shirley, is going to be assisting the county auditor with the finances. No visiting Nursing Homes, no meetings of more than 10 people, through April 3, 2020. Two or three grants that have come up and Shirley, is working on them. The state has extended the deadline for these grants, at the next city council meeting she will have something to present to the council. Shirley, can start the process on doing RFQ's request for qualifications of what they have done for cities. Do an opening and closing date. She has some bids on the DOUBLEWIDE. Now is a good time to refinance our loan.

#### **EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEM:**

Consideration and Action to allow the city manager to make individual assessment to extend payment of city utilities without a cut off.

Mayor Garza, called for a vote. All in favor of Emergency Agenda Item. And it passed.

**16. Questions or Briefings at the City Council's Request:**

- a) Code Enforcement
- b) Municipal Court Report
- c) Public Works
- d) Police Chief Report
- e) Animal Control

**17. Adjournment**

**Move as read by Patricia Clifton, seconded by Tim Humphrey. Meeting was adjourned at 7:54**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

D'Ann Lane  
City Secretary

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

Andrew Garza  
Mayor