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Special Session City Council Meeting Minutes – August 13, 2018

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 Maria Hernandez

Council Present: Mayor Andrew Garza, Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld, Council Members Kitley Wasicek, Patricia Clifton, and Rindle Wilson.

Council Absent: None

Staff Present: Georgia A. Vines, Maria Hernandez, Jason Lee, Manuel "Tito" Medina, and James Valadez, Marguerite Shelton.

Attorney Present: Not present

Guest Present: See Sign-in Sheet

III. **Councilmember Rindle Wilson** gave the Invocation.

IV. **Maria Hernandez** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

V. **Maria Hernandez** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

BUSINESS:

1. **Applicants for Chief of Police, will be interviewed by the City Council in a question and answer format conducted in an Open Session. Each applicant will end their interview by briefly addressing the citizens of George West. (There will be no public participation.)**

First applicant: Robert Allen McGinnis

Mr. McGinnis addressed the council

Married has two daughters, has been in law enforcement for 27 years. Born in Kentucky, Dad was transferred to South Texas when he was in 2nd grade.

Mayor Garza explained that each councilmember will ask him 3 questions, core questions. These are

the same question asked to all applicants. After that they will look at his resume and if there are any questions pertaining to his resume (educational questions, experience question) will be asked at that time.

Mr. McGinnis answered the council questions and briefly addressed the residents of George West.

He thanked the community for coming and said that he likes the community. He is very big in training, “an officer is more confident and more competent and do a better job”. “we got to have a very well train police department.” Mr. McGinnis stated that his goal is to address the problems that exist and to improve the quality of life. If selected as Police Chief, Mr. McGinnis is planning in living within the city limits.

- Mayor entertained a motion to recess

Motion: Kitley Wasicek

Second Councilmember Patricia Clifton

- Motion carries, recessing at 6:43 p.m.
- Mayor: Entertained the motion to reconvene

Motion: Councilmember Rindle Wilson

Second: Councilmember Kitley Wasicek

- Council reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

Second Applicant: David Perkins

Mr. Perkins has been a Police Officer for a little over 30 years, Mr. Perkins begun his law enforcement career at 18 yrs. of age. He is the second generation police officer, his Dad was Chief of Police in Port Aransas. Mr. Perkins currently works as assistant Chief of Police Aransas Pass Police Department. He is in charge of the operations of every division in the department.

Mayor Garza, explained to Mr. Perkins that each councilmember gave three questions to the City Secretary. None of them has seen the question and there will be some repetition, each question shall be asked to each applicant coming before the council.

Each councilmember asked their questions and Mr. Perkins answered, and at times he elaborated giving examples about the topic.

Mayor asked Mr. Perkins if he had any question for them. Mr. Perkins did have a couple of questions about benefits.

Mr. Perkins addressed the citizens, telling them why he will be the best candidate for Chief of Police.

He is 50 year old but he is open minded, his forte is dealing with citizens and moral in the department. If there are problems with the department he wants to know about it to fix it. He believes in community oriented policing style. He is transparent and wants for the department to be transparent. He wants to look at the root of the problem to help and find an alternative to incarceration. They need to find the end solution of the problems, not just treat the symptoms. The Council thanked Mr. Perkins and asked him to go to the back to sign his release of information with the notary, Officer Shelton.

- 2. EXECUTIVE SESSION.** In accordance with Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:

Deliberation on the selection of the City of George West

Council Member Pat Clifton made a motion to move as read, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld. The City Council went into Executive Session at 7:49 p.m.

- 3. Reconvene in Open Session**

Motion to reconvene in open session by Council Member Kitley Wasicek, second by Council Member Patricia Clifton. All in favor, motion carried.

- 4. Consideration and Action to select an applicant for the City of George West Police Chief position pending background check and other employment related requirements.**

since there was another applicant to interview the following day, the Mayor entertained a motion for no action for agenda item 4. Motion for no action by Council Member Rindle Wilson, Second by Mayor Pro-tem Jearl Rannefeld. All in favor, motion carried.

Not disposition for item 4.

- 5. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourned by Council Member Kitley Wasicek, second by Council Member Patricia Clifton. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Andrew Garza adjourned the meeting at 8:48

ATTEST:



Maria Hernandez, City Secretary

SIGNED:



Andrew Garza, Mayor

SIGN IN SHEET

August 13, 2018

SPECIAL SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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