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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 1/29/2025

- I. Call Meeting to Order-**Mayor Garza called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.**
- II. Roll Call-**All council members were present.**
- III. Invocation-**Mayor Garza gave the invocation.**
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States-**The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was led by D'Ann Lane.**
- V. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas- **The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by D'Ann Lane.**
- VI. Public Comments
NONE

- VII. Announcements and Correspondence
 - a) Applications for City Council Places 2, 4 and Mayor are available for pickup, and the deadline to file for a place on the ballot will be February 14, 2025, at City Hall.
 - b) Economic Development Commission Workshop on February 10, 2025.
 - c) Live Oak County Fair Cook-Off will be February 21-22, 2025.
 - d) The Live Oak County Fair Parade will be in George West this year on February 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
 - e) Live Oak County Fair Kick Off Concert February 22, 2025, featuring Cory Morrow.
 - f) The Live Oak County Fair will be February 28, 2025-March 1, 2025.
 - g) Live Oak County Pageant February 15, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the February City Council Regular Session Meeting to 5:00 p.m.

2. **Consideration and Action** to approve the following minutes:
 - a) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes December 18, 2024.**
 - b) **Special Session City Council Meeting Minutes December 30, 2024.**

3. **Consideration and Action** to Issue Order of Election for the City Election to be held on May 3, 2025.

Consideración y Acción para emitir Orden de Elección y Aviso de Elección para la Elección de la ciudad que tendrá lugar 03 de Mayo de 2025.

4. **Consideration and Action** to hold a joint election with the George West Independent School District May 3, 2025.
5. **Consideration and Action** to approve the 2024 Racial Profiling Report.
6. **Consideration and Action** to approve the resignation of Glynis Strause and John Ed Holland from the Building Standards Board effective immediately.
7. **Consideration and Action** to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Robert White to the Building Standard's Board for a term of 3 years commencing January 2025.
8. **Consideration and Action** to approve the Mayor's appointment of Lloyd Molina to the Economic Development Commission as an alternate for a term of 1 year commencing January 2025.
9. **Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for December 2024.

Mayor Garza asked if anything needed to be pulled from the Consent Agenda. Nothing was pulled. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE:

10. **PUBLIC HEARING:** **Consideration and Action** to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 933 Amendment No. 222 a request by Sabrina Ramon for a Variance to Chapter 28, Manufactured and Mobile Homes, of the Codification of Ordinances, to place a HUD-Code Manufactured Home in the WASHINGTON HEIGHTS TRACT PART 38 (LOT 9 & 10) (AKA 400 ZAPATA ST.)

Public Hearing was opened at 5:42 p.m. There was nobody present to oppose this Ordinance. Public Hearing was closed at 5:43 p.m.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Open for discussion. There was no discussion. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

11. **Consideration and Action** to approve the remodeling and usage of the Boy Scout building at the expense of the Live Oak County Volunteer Medical Response Team 1 for

their use as a meeting room and supply storage, exonerating the City of George West of any liabilities.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. Open for discussion. Mayor Garza and Shirley Holm discussed this issue. The Live Oak County Volunteer Medical Response Team 1, approached them to use the Boy Scout Hut as a storage room/meeting space. The Live Oak County Volunteer Medical Response Team 1 will fix up the building at their own expense. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion to suspend the rules. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Rules were suspended. The council went down to the City Manager Report.

12. Consideration and Action to convene into EXECUTIVE SESSION. In accordance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Personnel Matters), the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:

- a) Discussion on City Manager Applicant(s).

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. The council entered Executive Session at 6:11 p.m.

13. RECONVENE

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Move as read by John Walker. Seconded by David Ainsworth. All in favor. The council reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

BRIEFINGS:

14. Interim City Manager's Report:

- a) Revenue and Expense Report for December 2024.
- b) City and Project Updates-EDC Briefing.

Ms. Holm gave the Revenue and Expense Report for the period ending December 2024. The General Fund is 37% of the budget for revenue and 25% of the budget for expenditures. The Utility Fund is 23% of budget for revenue and 19% of budget for expenditures. Both Funds are well within the planned budget of 25%. The general and utility funds have a combined net positive balance of \$ 351,525. The bank balance total is \$ 2,274,018. -

Ms. Holm reported that we received approval from the Office of the State that the George West Economic Development Corporation was approved. The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts provided us with the Taxpayer Number.

A meeting was held today with Live Oak County Judge Liska, City of Three Rivers Public Works Supervisor, Chief Perkins, and Shirley Holm. Live Oak County is wanting to enter into an Interagency Agreement to assist them with vicious animals reported in Live Oak County. More information will be conveyed in the future.

15. 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
- f) Live Oak County Volunteer Medical Response Team 1

EDC was incorporated, they will still be associated with the city, but they have their own tax number. Judge Liska wants the county to work with both George West and Three Rivers to assist with Animal Control.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion to reinstate the rules. Move as read by Nathan Stroleny. Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. All in favor. Rules have been reinstated.

16. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED: _____
Andrew Garza, Mayor