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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 2/19/2025

- I. Call Meeting to Order-**Mayor Garza called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.**
- II. Roll Call-**All council was present.**
- III. Invocation-**Mayor Andrew Garza gave the invocation.**
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States-**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States 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) Live Oak County Fair Cook-Off will be February 21-22, 2025.
 - b) The Live Oak County Fair Parade will be in George West this year on February 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
 - c) Live Oak County Fair Kick Off Concert February 22, 2025, featuring Cory Morrow.
 - d) The Live Oak County Fair will be February 28, 2025-March 1, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the March 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 January 29, 2025.**
3. **Consideration and Action** to approve the street closures of Frio Street, Crocket Street, Colorado Street, Bowie Street, and Houston Street on Saturday, February 22, 2025, for the Live Oak County Fair Parade 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
4. **Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for January 2025.

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.

BUSINESS:

5. Discussion on Charter and Ordinances.

Mayor Pro-Tem Jearl Rannefeld brought up how he has noticed Municode set up on other City websites, which is organized differently than George West & easier to navigate in his opinion. On other websites the Charter and Ordinances are separated, with a documents tab to post all city documents. D'Ann Lane informed the Council that there is a new product we are going to start using with Municode called ORDBANK. OrdBank will post new City Ordinances within 3-5 business days on Municode. The new Ordinances will be available to view online before the city codifies the new Ordinance book.

6. Discussion on Old Marbach School Water Supply and City of George West Agreement.

Shirley Holm gave an update from a meeting between Old Marbach School Water Supply Board Member David Moguirek, Mayor, and City Manager. They are interested in taking over the daily operation of the distribution station where City water is available for their customers. The suggested plan will be submitted to the City Council at the next regular meeting.

7. 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 Nathan Stroleny. Seconded by John Walker. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. The council entered into Executive Session at 6:49 p.m.

8. RECONVENE

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Mayor Garza entertained a motion to reconvene. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. All in favor. The council reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

9. 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) Performance evaluation for Municipal Court Judge, Yolanda Guerrero.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion for no action. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. There was no action on agenda item # 9.

10. RECONVENE

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The council did not enter executive session so there was no action on agenda item #10.

- 11. Consideration and Action to approve a salary increase for Municipal Court Judge, Yolanda Guerrero.**

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Nathan Stroleny. Open for discussion. Shirley Holm briefed the council on an annual performance evaluation for Judge Guerrero. She reports that Yolando Guerrero runs the Municipal Court in the most professional manner, which includes daily operations, timely reporting, managing collections, training staff, and providing magistrate services to the Live Oak County jail when scheduled.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion to amend by at the end adding to \$54,080 per year commencing February 20, 2025. Move as read by David Ainsworth Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. All in favor. Amendment carried.

Amended Agenda item #11 Consideration and Action to approve a salary increase for Municipal Court Judge, Yolanda Guerrero to \$54,080 per year commencing February 20, 2025. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BRIEFINGS:

12. Interim City Manager's Report:

- a) Revenue and Expense Report for January 2025.
- b) City and Project Updates-EDC Briefing.

Ms. Holm gave the Revenue and Expense Report for the period ending January 2024. The General Fund is 48% of the budget for revenue and 35% of the budget for expenditures. The Utility Fund is 31% of the budget for revenue and 27% of budget for expenditures. Both Funds are well within the planned budget of 34%. The general and utility funds have a combined net positive balance of \$ 380,545. The bank balance total is \$ 2,543,388.

Ms. Holm reported additionally that a correction made by the Live Oak Appraisal District, due to an error made on their behalf, for the years 2019-2024 netted a deduction of \$ 40,000 in the distribution of funds to the City in January 2025. This will be reflected negatively

against the budgeted Ad Valorem Tax revenue for FY 2024-2025. She also reported that the Street upgrades are scheduled to begin in April/May 2025 and we will have a RRC audit the week of February 24, 2025.

13. 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

14. Adjournment.

Mayor Garza entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Move as read by Nathan Stroleny. Seconded by John Walker. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED: _____
Andrew Garza, Mayor