

CITY COMMISSIONERS

Special Meeting

July 27, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jose G. Solis opened meeting at 6:30 pm, on July 27, 2020, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room and Zoom.

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

Mayor	Wally Solis
Mayor Pro-tem	Rick Salinas
Commissioner	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos
Commissioner	Avelardo Mireles (6:39 pm)
Commissioner	Maggie Quilantan

STAFF PRESENT

Lydia Moreno	Benito Estrada
Alfonso Gonzalez	Jorge Perez
Paula Rodriguez	Chris Sias
Ben Vera (7:49 pm)	Joe Cabrera

PLANNING & ZONING

1. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to table the request to rezone property until owner makes request. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
2. Commission Salinas made the motion to have a survey done at 7876 N. Bus 77 and 13557 Chapote. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

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3. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to allow a temporary water connect to Jose G. Solis for a use of travel trailer for approximately 10 days. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.
4. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to table the request from Maria Perez to rent/lease the old judge's office. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

GENERAL FUNCTION

5. TDA #7218018 Health Clinic: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve payment of the Architectural Fees to Megamorphosis in the amount of \$5,811.29. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
6. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to accept the lowest bid from Diamond Eight as recommended by PCE engineers in the amount of \$252,977.20 payable from the Capital Improvement Fund. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
7. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the invoice for engineering fees from Perez Consulting Engineers in the amount of \$15,007.69 payable from the Capital Improvement Fund for the street paving project. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
8. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-07-27 approving a negotiated resolution between the City of Lyford and Texas Gas Service regarding the company's April 30, 2020 cost of service adjustment (COSA) filing; declaring the existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting new tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement and finding the rates to be set by the attached tariffs to be just and reasonable; providing for the recovery of the city's and Texas Gas Service' reasonable and necessary rate case expenses; adopting a savings clause; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; declaring an effective date; repealing any prior ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance and requiring delivery of this ordinance to the company's and the city's legal counsel. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.
9. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to table the proposal for Lease Purchase Financing from Frost Bank. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
10. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Lyford CISD Police Department and the City of Lyford Police Department and Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.
11. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Floodplain Development Permit Application form and the \$300 permit fee. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.
12. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to amend the Animal Control Ordinance Section 2.115 contingent upon review and advise

or recommendation from legal counsel to move forward. Commissioner Mireles seconded. All approved and motion carried.

13. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to lock up and close down the Sports Complex and Skatepark because people are not following the Covid-19 protocol. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.
14. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to move forward with the AEP conversion, physical capability to replace or install the LED lights and the availability of the LED options. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.
15. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to purchase one submersible pump for Lift Station on 3rd and Simo Road from Pumps of Houston in the amount of \$2,290.00 as recommended by sewer plant operator. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Closed Session 8:44 pm to 9:37 pm

16. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve Rey Hinojosa's submission for termination of Robert Elizondo effective July 24, 2020. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.
17. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to solicit for a water and sewer assistant. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.
18. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to appoint Miguel Chavarria IV at \$7.50 per hour as recommended by the public works supervisor. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to go back into Closed Session. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**CLOSED
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Closed Session from 9:40 pm to 9:49 pm

**GENERAL
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19. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve to transfer the unassigned fund balance from FY 19 to the Capital Improvement Fund. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

20. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve to amend the 2019-2020 Budget. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

City Secretary

Mayor Jose G. Solis