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# MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY HALL 116 ASPEN LANE HILL COUNTRY VILLAGE, TEXAS 78232 THURSDAY, AUGUST 01, 2019 5:00 P.M.

The City Council for the City of Hill Country Village met for a City Council Meeting Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 5:00 a.m. at City Hall, 116 Aspen Lane, Hill Country Village, Texas. This was an open meeting subject to the open meetings law of the State of Texas.

#### **Members Present:**

Mayor Gabriel Durand-Hollis Councilman Carl A. Register Councilman Matthew Acock Councilman Thomas Doyle Councilman Neal Leonard Councilwoman Allison Greer

#### **City Staff Present:**

Frank Morales, City Administrator/Police Chief Marc Schnall, City Attorney Ismael Urias, Administrative Assistant

#### 1. Call to order.

Mayor Durand-Hollis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

#### 2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Durand-Hollis led those present in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The City Council has been furnished with background and support material on each item, and/or it has been discussed in a previous meeting. All items can be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately, unless requested by a Council Member, in which event the item or items will immediately be

withdrawn for individual consideration in their normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one motion and vote of the City Council.

- 3. Discussion and possible action approving the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of May 23, 2019.
- 4. Discussion and possible action approving the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of June 18, 2019.
- 5. Discussion and possible action approving the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting and FY 2019-20 Budget Workshop of July 18, 2019.
- 6. Discussion and possible action approving the October 1, 2019 September 30, 2020 City of Hill Country Village Master Calendar.

Councilman Acock motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman Register. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

#### 7. Citizens to be heard.

At this time, citizens who have filled out a registration form prior to the start of the meeting may speak on any topic they wish to bring to the attention of the governing body so long as that topic is not on the agenda for this meeting. Citizens may speak on specific agenda items when that item is called for discussion. During the Citizens to be Heard section no council action may take place and no council discussion or response is required to the speaker. However, the Mayor or the City Administrator may make a statement of specific factual information in response to an inquiry or recite existing policy in response to an inquiry. A time limit of two minutes per speaker is permitted; the council may extend this time at their discretion.

Mr. Greg Blasko of 205 Hill Country Lane wanted to tell the council that the city needs an impact fee ordinance.

8. Discussion and possible action on whether to put Hill Country Village City Hall on the City owned Bitters Road property.

Councilman Doyle made a motion to begin the process to do what the citizens of Hill Country Village had originally requested and move forward with putting Hill Country Village City Hall on the city owned Bitters property, seconded by Councilwoman Greer.

City Attorney Marc Schnall made the recommendation that a motion be made to postpone this item until after the council has completed it discussion of item #9

Councilman Acock motioned to postpone this discussion until after item #9 is resolved, seconded by Councilman Register.

Item #9 was discussed at this time.

Those in favor of the motion were Councilman Register, Councilman Acock and Councilman Leonard. Those opposed of the motion were Councilman Doyle and Councilwoman Greer. Motion did not pass.

Mayor-Durand-Hollis said that there was a motion and a second on discussion or possible action on whether or not to put city hall on the city owned Bitters Road property. Those in favor of the motion were Councilman Doyle, Councilman Leonard and Councilwoman Greer. Those opposed to the motion were Councilman Register and Councilman Acock. Motion passed.

After item #9, Councilman Register asked Attorney Marc Schnall for clarification on item #8. Mr. Schnall said the council voted, the motion was to move forward on placing city hall on the Bitters Road property and the explanation that the councilman made when he made the motion was to do studies to determine engineering, site work and planning and things like that. As the mayor pointed out, there was no money associated with that, but if the voters were to say "No, you can't repurpose this", then that motion is really ratified. The voters say "we're not going to repurpose the use of the 14 acres, it's going to stay what was voted on in 2000", that answers the question very directly. If the voters say "yes you can repurpose a portion" I think it still means the idea of putting city hall there is very viable. The wording is very critical in as Ms. Kunusky explained, I was looking at the explanatory wording and not the actual ballot wording and they also need to be submitted in the proposition B on page 5 which all the initial draft says is repurposing approximately 14 acres of city property bordering Bitters Road for economic development purposes. That language will need to be modified to reflect the direction given by the governing body.

9. Discussion concerning calling a potential bond election and a potential election on reallocation of the City's existing one-fourth cent additional sales and use tax for Economic Development Corporation purposes to be held on November 5, 2019; Providing City Council direction to the city's bond counsel and city attorney concerning bond and ballot proposition language for this election; recognizing that this election may not be formally called until after August 7, 2019; and other matters in connection therewith.

This item was discussed and a meeting was scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to discuss and take possible action on this matter.

10. Discussion regarding the May 31, 2019 and June 30, 2019 financial statement.

Councilman Register presented the May 31, 2019 and June 30, 2019 financial statements.

11. A public hearing on Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget of the City of Hill Country Village, Texas Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

Mayor Durand-Hollis opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m.

There was not anyone in the audience that had anything to say on this matter.

Mayor Durand-Hollis closed the public hearing at 6:42 p.m.

12. A public hearing on Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget of the City of Hill Country Village, Texas.

Mayor Durand-Hollis opened the public hearing at 6:42 p.m.

There was not anyone in the audience that had anything to say on this matter.

Mayor Durand-Hollis closed the public hearing at 6:43 p.m.

13. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance approving the budget of the City of Hill Country Village, Texas Economic Development Corporation for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and ordering the budget filed with the City Administrator.

Councilman Register motioned to adopt an ordinance approving the budget of the City of Hill Country Village, Texas Economic Development Corporation for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and ordering the budget filed with the City Administrator, seconded by Councilwoman Greer. Motion passed unanimously.

14. Discussion and possible action on an ordinance approving the budget for the City of Hill Country Village, Texas for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and ordering the budget filed with the City Administrator and County Clerk.

Councilman Register motioned to adopt an ordinance approving the budget for the City of Hill Country Village, Texas for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and ordering the budget filed with the City Administrator and County Clerk, seconded by Councilwoman Greer. A roll call was done and every Council Member answered yea. Motion passed unanimously.

15. Discussion and possible action on a proposed 2019 Property Tax Rate for the City of Hill Country Village and authorizing publication of a Notice of 2019 Tax Year Proposed Property Tax Rate for the City of Hill Country Village.

Councilman Register made a motion declaring a proposed .145 2019 Property Tax Rate for the City of Hill Country Village and authorizing publication of a Notice of 2019 Tax Year Proposed Property Tax Rate for the City of Hill Country Village, seconded by Councilwoman Greer. Motion passed unanimously.

16. Report by Mayor on matters of community interest.

Mayor Durand-Hollis reported he had sent a letter to SageView thanking them for submitting their RFP. He had informed them the city was unable to move forward at this time.

### 17. Report by City Administrator/Chief of Police on matters of community interest.

City Administrator Morales thanked the council for their input during the last budget workshop.

#### 18. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

The Council reserves the right to discuss and appropriately act upon any item stated on this agenda in open session. The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development). No action may be taken in Executive Session.

APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2019.

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Gabriel Durand-Hollis Mayor

ATTEST:

Frank Morales
City Administrator