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**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL
116 ASPEN LANE
HILL COUNTRY VILLAGE, TEXAS 78232
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022
5:00 P.M.**

The City Council for the City of Hill Country Village met for a City Council Meeting Thursday, November 17, 2022, at 5:00 p.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 Matthew Acock
Councilman Tom Doyle
Councilman Greg Blasko
Councilwoman Allison Francis (*left at 6:06 pm*)
Councilman Carl Register

Members Not Present:

City Staff Present:

City Administrator/Chief of Police, Frank Morales
Permits Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Patricia Rothwell

1. Call to order.

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

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Durand-Hollis led those present in the invocation and 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being discussed separately, unless requested by a Council Member, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in their normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon.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 City Council Meeting of September 15, 2022.
4. Discussion and possible action approving an ordinance designating the San Antonio Express-News as the city's official newspaper.
5. Discussion and possible action approving an ordinance accepting the resignation of Officer Marlen Caballero as a police officer for the City of Hill Country Village, Texas.
6. Discussion and possible action approving an ordinance appointing Officer Sergio Collazo as a full-time police officer for the City of Hill Country Village.

Councilwoman Francis 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.

Dr. Paul Laursen spoke about the increased speed of traffic coming from Hollywood Park. He made the suggestion of lowering the speed as you enter Hill Country Village from Hollywood Park.

Dr. Laursen also spoke of the state of the Tower and Winding Way intersection and his dissatisfaction with it at this time.

8. Discussion and possible action accepting the Year End Summary of Delinquent Tax Collection Activities and Results for the City of Hill Country Village for the period of October 1, 2021– September 30, 2022, from Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP.

Lilian Gibson and Kara Gonzales from Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP presented a snapshot of the end-of-year report, Oct – Sept. See report.

Councilman Register made the motion to accept the Year End Summary of Delinquent Tax, Collection Activities Report, and Councilman Doyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Consideration and possible approval of an action on written statements and findings of the need for specialized contingent fee legal services and authorizing the execution of a contingent fee contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP for the collection of delinquent property taxes.

Councilman Blasko made the motion to approve the written statements and findings, Councilman Register seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Consideration and possible approval of a resolution extending the contract with Linebarger Goggan, Blair and Sampson, LLP and the City of Hill Country Village for the collection of delinquent property taxes.

Councilwoman Francis made the motion to approve the resolution extending the contract with Linebarger Goggan, Blair and Sampson, LLP and the City of Hill Country Village for the collection of delinquent property taxes. Councilman Register seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discussion and possible action awarding a contract for Bank Depository services.

Councilman Acock made the motion to approve the Bank of San Antonio for Bank Depository services. Councilwoman Francis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

12. Discussion regarding the status of a poll/opinion of the residents concerning the construction of a new city hall for the City of Hill Country Village.

Chief Morales presented a letter to be sent out to residents to give their opinion on where they would like the new city hall it is to be accompanied by a pro-con list. The council agreed to the deadline of Dec. 16th to have all of the responses back.

13. Discussion regarding the parking of vehicles and planting in the City's right of way.

Council discussed various remedies to keep the right-of-way clear, including new ordinances or patrols/ticketing.

14. Discussion on the status of the current road project.

Grant from Austin Bridge has been replaced with Veronica, they plan to start paving again the week after Thanksgiving.

Councilwoman Francis left at 6:06 p.m.

15. Presentation regarding the August 31, 2022, September 30, 2022, and October 31, 2022 financial statements.

Councilman Register made the presentation regarding the August 31, 2022, September 30, 2022, and October 31, 2022, financial statements.

16. Report by Mayor Durand-Hollis on items of community interest.

The Mayor praised the Police Department for their quick responses in keeping the city safe.

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

City Hall will be closed the following days in observance of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

November 24th and 25th
December 23rd and 26th
January 2nd

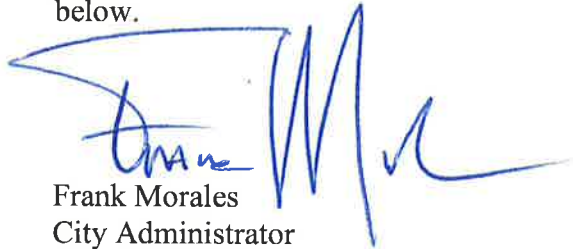
18. Adjourn.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 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.

A copy of this meeting's agenda packet is available for public inspection, review and copying at City Hall during regular business hours.

I certify that this notice of meeting was posted at City Hall at the date and time indicated below.



Frank Morales
City Administrator