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**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL  
116 ASPEN LANE  
HILL COUNTRY VILLAGE, TEXAS 78232  
THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023  
5:00 P.M.**

The City Council for the City of Hill Country Village met for a City Council Meeting Thursday, July 20, 2023, 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  
Councilwoman Allison Francis  
Councilman Greg Blasko

**Members Not Present:**

Councilman Carl Register

**City Staff Present:**

City Administrator/Chief of Police, Frank Morales  
Permits Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Rafael Diaz  
Finance, Alexander Baez

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separately unless requested by a Council Member or the Mayor, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in their normal sequence after the items do not require separate discussion have been acted upon.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 May 18, 2023.

4. Discussion and possible action reappointing Mr. Devin Cox to the Zoning Commission.

*Councilwoman Francis made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilman Acock seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.*

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

5. 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.*

*Col. James Taylor raised concerns about potential food contamination in his breakfast cereal.*

6. Discussion and possible action approving a resolution of the City of Hill Country Village, Texas approving the revised schematic design for the new City Hall including a Public Safety Facility.

*Council chose to move item 10 on the agenda ahead of item 6.*

*Ms. Smith, of LPA, gave a brief recap before beginning her presentation on the revised schematic design for City Hall. Councilwoman Francis raised concerns regarding the cost associated with temporary facilities in addition to the cost of the new City Hall. Councilman Blasko motioned to accept the schematic plans as written, pending budgetary constraints and potential deletions or additions to the plans. Councilwoman Francis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

7. Workshop on the City of Hill Country Village Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-24.

*Council chose to move item 8 of the agenda ahead of item 7.*

*Chief Morales brought up concerns regarding officer salaries in comparison to other nearby cities. Mayor Durand-Hollis concluded the budget workshop.*

8. Discussion about calling a special election to reauthorize the local sales and use tax for street maintenance, to repurpose the proceeds of street bonds, and to repurpose property on Bitters Road and possible action to set a City Council meeting between August 9, 2023 and August 21, 2023 to order the special election.

*Rose Kanusky spoke about ballot language for the upcoming bond election if ordered. Councilman Doyle motioned to call a special election to reauthorize the local sales and use tax for street maintenance to repurpose the proceeds of the street bond and the sale of the property on Bitters Road for the meeting of August 17. Councilman Blasko seconded. Motion passed unanimously.*

9. Discussion and possible action on an Ordinance amending Section 58-196 of the Code of Ordinances to add a provision stating that valid and current permits for motorized carts issued by the Town of Hollywood Park shall constitute an approved permit issued under Section 58-196 of the Code of Ordinances.

*Chief Morales noted that Councilman Register had heard complaints from three or four residents regarding to golf carts in the city.*

*Councilman Acock motioned to table agenda item 9 for future discussion. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Francis. Motion to table passed unanimously.*

10. Presentation and discussion of April 30, 2023 and May 31, 2023 and financial statement.

*Alexander Baez presented the council with the financials for the months of April and May 2023. Council discussed.*

11. Report by Mayor on matters of community interest.

*Mayor Durand-Hollis had nothing to share.*

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

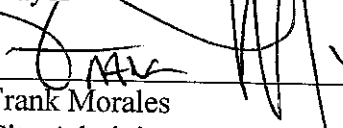
*Chief Morales had nothing to share.*

13. Adjourn.

*Mayor Durand-Hollis adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.*

*The Council reserves the right to discuss and appropriately act upon any item stated on this agenda in an 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.*

  
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Gabriel Durand-Hollis  
Mayor

  
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Frank Morales  
City Administrator