

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session, Thursday, April 6, 2017 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe Hermes presided over the meeting. Councilmembers Doug Kelley, Wayne Callis, Johnny Vasquez, Lance Smiga and Maxine Price were absent. City Manager Don Doering, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan, Sargeant/Edna Police Department Bruce McConathy and Street Superintendent Steve Sample were present. In the absence of City Secretary Becky Miska minutes were recorded by Finance Director Olga Salomon.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 2, 2017:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held March 2, 2017. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Chedrick Robinson and Shaneka Cantu

HEARING OF VISITORS:

“At this time, comments will be heard from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. In accordance, with the Open Meeting Act, the council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.” Please limit comments to two (2) minutes.

There were no comments.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE JUNETEENTH COMMITTEE FOR FUNDING FROM THE CURRENT CITY’S BUDGETED HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FOR THE 2017 FISCAL YEAR:

Chedrick Robinson and Shaneka Cantu were present to answer any questions regarding this request. Mr. Robinson noted he had been involved with the Juneteenth Committee for the last three years and thanked the council for their continued support. Robinson also requested the street closure in front of MLK Park during the day of the celebration. Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve the request from the Juneteenth Committee for funding from the current city’s budgeted hotel/motel tax for the 2017 fiscal year. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING PROCLAMATION FOR APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the proclamation recognizing April as Fair Housing Month. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE CITY OF EDNA’S INVESTMENT POLICY RESOLUTION NO. R-2017-02:

Councilmember Lance made the motion to approve the Investment Policy Resolution No. R-2017-02. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve payment of current bills and bond payments in the amount of \$335,393.77. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

“At this time, the City Council will hear reports / updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but is not limited to the following: Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Public Works Department-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; Finance Director-financial report; City Manager & City Secretary-public information.” No formal action can be taken on these items.

City Manager Don Doering reported he had met with Urban Engineering and distributed the report each council the status report that had been presented to Texas Commission on Environmental

Quality. Doering went onto report that Urban Engineering is on top of things. **Director of Public Works Brad Ryan** gave a report on the ongoing smoke testing.

ADJOURN:

Councilmember Price made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Joe Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Becky Miska, City Secretary