REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, June 6, 2024, in council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The council stood for prayer by Andy Brzozowski followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>PRESENT:</u> Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios, Councilperson District 2 Wayne Callis, Councilperson District Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds and Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Police Chief Rick Boone, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Finance Director Diane Peirce and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. The minutes were recorded by City Secretary Robinson.

<u>APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 14 and 16, 2024</u>:
Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the May 14 and 16, 2024, minutes. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

<u>VISITORS</u>: Beth Foley, Randy Janak, Ben Galvan, Dusty Traylor, Callie St. John

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>:
"During the council meeting, as each item is addressed, the council shall also allow the audience to speak on any subject matter that is posted on the agenda in accordance with HB 2840. The council may not take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda." **Please limit-two minutes.**

<u>MAYORS APPOINTMENT OF A MAYOR PRO-TEM FOR ONE (1) YEAR TERM UPON COUNCIL APPROVAL AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:</u>
Mayor Lance Smiga stated Councilperson District 2 Wayne Callis as Mayor Pro-Tem has been doing a good job and he would like to reappoint Callis for another one-year term. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to reappoint Councilperson Wayne Callis as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

<u>DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION #2024-08 AUTHORITY PUBLICATION AND POSTING OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO FINANCE VARIOUS CAPTIAL IMPOROVMENTS:</u>
Dusty Traylor from RBC Capital stated that the resolution is not for the issuance, but for publication and posting of notice. Traylor stated that the city tax base has been increasing rapidly. The city tax rate has decreased in the past 4 to 5 years. Traylor directed everyone to look at page 4 column F on the spreadsheet is the expected debit service on the Cos. Traylor stated the city would apply $235,000 the first year to keep the tax rate the same, but then each year after it is about $140,000. Traylor stated that talking with Gary the payment would come from utilities. Traylor stated the flow chart to start process is determining the city needs, discuss plan of finance and City approval to start process of Cos. Pricing is anticipated to start August 1, delivering the funds is anticipated by late August or early September. Councilperson Palacios asked what projects we are using for COs. City Manager Gary Broz stated Miracle Dr., W. Brackenridge, and W. Division. Councilperson Callis made a motion to approve resolution # 2024-08. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

<u>DISCUSS LOCATION FOR WHERE THE PROPOSED 2024/2025 PROJECTS WILL BE LOCATED AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:</u>
City Manager Gary Broz stated that the handout sheet shows the list of streets and that are proposed. Broz stated that Randy will discuss. Randy stated that the highlighted lines are the ones proposed to work on.

Randy stated early this year when it was discussed Glendale and C.O. Rd 1161 included, but because of the shape the streets are in they will not all fit in budget. Randy stated they increased the amount from 4 million to 5 million, because are including drainage for Miracle Dr. Randy stated that once they start working some locations may not need as much as another and can save money to replace something else.

DISCUSS AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CIVILCORP LLC FOR THE 2024/2025 BOND PROJECT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:
City Manager Gary Broz stated that he would like to start the process of survey and design of the streets, because the city can be reimbursed. Broz stated he would like to have the information ready, so when the funding is released, they will be ready to work. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the agreement for professional services with CivilCorp LLC for the 2024/2025 bond project. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AGREEMENT WITH RISE BROADBAND TO USE CITY RIGHT AWAYS, EASEMENTS, AND FACILITIES AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:
City Manager stated that the Rise agreement has been sent to Jake Srp the City of Edna attorney. Broz stated that he had a meeting with the Rise team earlier. Callie with Rise stated they are going to try to keep everyone informed when they are working in their area. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the agreement with Rise Broadband to use the city right away, easement, and facilities. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS BRUSH COLLECTION ISSUES AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS IN THE CITY AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:
City Manager stated that brush is a problem. Broz stated he has been trying to work something out with TDS. Broz stated he asked how much it would cost to just pick up everything. Broz stated the response was "they only want to do what is in contract." Street Supervisor stated has offered to help pick up limbs where they have problems, and he was declined. Councilperson Jackson asked how much longer the contract is. Broz stated there is still 3 years remaining. No motion needed

DISCUSS RESOLUTION 2024-09 FINDING THAT AEP TEXAS INC.'S REPORTED INCREASES TO ITS ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION RATES AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:
City Manager Broz stated resolution 2024-09 is to suspend the rate increase with AEP. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve resolution 2024-09. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:
No action taken.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:
The City Manager stated that we need to pay bills totaling $143,715.16. Councilperson Callis made a motion to approve paying bills totaling $143,715.16. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to second. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:
"At this time, City Council will hear reports / updates on all committees or department assignments which may include, but is not limited to the following: City Manager-grants, projects, public information; Finance Director-finance & department reports; Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Director of Utilities-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code

Enforcement-progress reports; Jonas Titus-Vice Economic Development; City Secretary-public information."

City Manager Broz stated we will be advertising the foundation, building, and plumbing for the Shelby Park restrooms starting next week, we are accepting proposals for our depository contract, notice city will demo the on 1123 N. Kleas since there has been no changes for a year, software is still moving, continuing to work with GLO on the reconnect grant for lift station improvement in Dist. 2, still answering question on the GCRPC MIT grant for drainage in Dist. 2, starting to get from FEMA on the TWDB Post Oak Branch Grant, Comp. Plan and Zoning grant will have a couple of sessions on gathering information next week have a handout then after the input the Council will work with the consultants on the direction for the city, cleanup week is scheduled for the week of July 8th with Thursday July 11th being the day the City go out and pick up, received health insurance it will increase 15%, YRA is coming to town need gate keepers on the morning of the 19th from 8:30-10:00.

Finance Director Diane Pierce stated that Vicki is currently inputting meter information in computer, there were 67 cut offs, and 36 new accounts, completed monthly reports, requested grant reimbursement from OOG office for Operation Lone Start.

Street Superintendent Andy Brozowski stated removed they installed 40' pipe on the 400 block of Elm, installed 20' pipe500 block Colorado, cut tree at corner of Rowlett and S. East, and Bunny St., hauled 15 loads of limbs, burned bushes, patched holes, opened drains, cleaned side walks and mowed and spraying for mosquitos.

Director of Utilities state they are fixing water leaks, pulled pump at Sunset lift station and had it sent off, lowered cleanouts on N. East St., repaired ser line on Richard Browning Ln., pulled pump at E. Division lift station. Cleaned orbital and clarifiers at sewer plant, cleaned lab and office.

Police Chief Rick Boone stated they made 289 traffic stops, 53 of those resulted in a citation, and 20 arrests have been made from the last meeting. Went to Brackenridge along with other first responders and participated in a water balloon fight, partnered with county on two different search warrants, finalized felony theft from the Edna Cleaners, and attended a stop the bleed training.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: THE CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS MATTERS FROM TEXAS GOV'T SECTIN 551.074: DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUDTIES DISCIPLINE, OR DISMAISSAL OF PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; CITY MANAGER:

Mayor Smiga asked everyone to clear the chamber except for the council @ 6:49 p.m.

TAKE ANY ACTION AS RESULT OF EXECUTIE SESSION:

The council returned to open session at 7:36 p.m. No action was taken.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

Lance Smiga, Mayor

LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary