Grand Saline City Council

April 14, 2020

Virtual Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

A virtual regular meeting of the Grand Saline City Council was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Jeremy Gunnels. Mayor Jeremy Gunnels announced a quorum was present with the following: Councilmember July Cato, Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell and Councilmember Kathy Smith. Councilmember Jason Ivy was absent.

Invocation given by Tully Davidson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flag.

City Staff Present: Tully Davidson, Dana Clair, Beverley Pearson, Jeremy Barker, Tammy Weidman, and David Savage.

Others Present: Blake Armstrong – City Attorney, Michelle Fite - Grand Saline Sun, Molly Davidson, and Mike Ward.

Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember July Cato and motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made a motion to table the March 2020 financials until the May 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell. The motion carried unanimously.

No Public Comments/Participation

Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-06: Approval of Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-106 – Appointment of Associate Municipal Court Judges. Councilmember July Cato second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made a motion to approve the Order adopting Texas Governor Gregg Abbott's Executive Order GA-14. Councilmember July Cato second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve and accept the 2018-2019 Audit presented by Mike Ward. Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve suspending credit card fees and waive late and administrative fees on water bills until futher assessment by the City Council. Councilmember Kathy Smith second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell made a motion to approve EDC to donate $10,000.00 toward Small Town Strong charitable organization – a re-investment fund for independently owned small businesses that have a store front in our community. Councilmember July Cato second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember July Cato made a motion to approve EDC to spend $6000.00 for a roof at 229 N. Main Street (Saltlickers). Councilmember Kathy Smith second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jeremy Gunnels proclaimed and read the Main Street Historical Preservation Proclamation.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made a motion to accept bids presented by Tully Davidson for TWDB procurement, engineering, bond council, and financial advisor. Councilmember July Cato second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chief Jeremy Barker updated The Councilmembers on the K-9 For Cops Grant. No vote needed.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made a motion to table discussion of the 2020 Pool season until the May 2020 meeting. Councilmember July Cato second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made a motion to approve adding Dana Clair, City Secretary, to be a signer on the City of Grand Saline's checking accounts and remove Alesia Mayne. Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Departmental reports were given by the Department Heads.

Council comments/Future Agenda Items: No comments or future agenda items.

Councilmember Kathy Smith made motion to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. Councilmember Mary Jane Hollowell second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Jeremy Gunnels

APPROVED, Jeremy Gunnels, Mayor

Dana Clair

ATTEST: Dana Clair, City Secretary