## **MINUTES COUNCIL MEETING** CITY OF COLEMAN CITY HALL THURSDAY, November 18, 2021

5:15 P.M.

Present: Mayor Tommy Sloan, Mayor Pro Tem Sharlene Taylor Hetzel, Councilmember Monte Sides, Councilmember Bobby McGee, City Manager Diana Lopez, City Attorney Pat Chesser, and Assistant City Manager James King.

Absent: Councilmember Tracy Rankin

- 1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Tommy Sloan called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegience to the flags of the United States and State of Texas followed.
- 2. Introductions, Announcements, and Recognitions: City Manager Lopez announced that after a long wait and a lot of work, the City was converting to a Pooled Cash system and eliminating a lot of unnecessary work in daily financial transactions. CM Lopez also noted the Thanksgiving holidays coming up and announced holiday hours for City facilities.
- 3. Items to be withdrawn: *None*.
- 4. Citizen Presentations: Mr. Charles Stewart addressed the Council on Introducing the effort to establish common-law compliant & responsibly self-governing communities in Coleman.
- 5. Consider, and act upon the approval of minutes for the City of Coleman Council Meeting held on November 4, 2021. A motion was made by Councilmember Sides to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmember McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- 6. Hear requests from the City Council for future agenda items. There were no requests for future agenda items.
- 7. Discuss, consider, and act upon approving the second reading of an Ordinance closing and abandoning an undeveloped section of platted roadway in the 600 block of East Mesquite Street. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel to approve the ordinance on second and final reading. Councilmember McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- 8. Discuss, consider, and act upon approving a Resolution of the City of Coleman approving and authorizing a project to provide funds in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the Coleman Economic Development Corporation (Type A – EDC) and in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the Coleman Community Coalition (Type  $\,B-EDC$ ) to the City of Coleman for Christmas lights in the downtown district. A motion was made by Councilmember McGee to approve the resolution. Councilmember Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- 9. Discuss, consider, and act upon accepting the resignation of Municipal Court Judge Robert Jeffrey Nash. A motion was made by Councilmember McGee to accept the resignation. Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- 10. The City Council may enter into Executive Session to discuss the following pursuant to:
  - a. Government Code §551.074 (Personnel Matters): Deliberations regarding appointment of Municipal Court Judge;
  - b. Government Code §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney): PUC Project No. 52364, Securitization Opt-Out;
  - c. Government Code §551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property): Lease of City Property located adjacent to Municipal Airport to Jal Welding and Machine Works

The Council entered Executive Session at 5:31 p.m. and returned into Open Session at 7:07 p.m.

- 11. Upon return from Executive Session, the Council may take whatever action they deem necessary on the following items:
  - a. Discuss, consider, and act upon appointing a Municipal Court Judge to serve for the remainder of the Mayor's term of office. *No action was taken on this item.*
  - b. Discuss, consider, and act upon an engagement letter with Lloyd Gosselink to represent the City in PUC Project No. 52364, Securitization Opt -Out. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Hetzel to authorize an engagement letter with Lloyd Gosselink to represent the City. Councilmember Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
  - c. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the City Manager to complete any and all documents for the City of Coleman to opt-out of the securitization process established by the PUC. A motion was made by Councilmember McGee to authorize the City Manager to complete any and all documents related to the opt-out of the securitization process with the Public Utility Commission. Councilmember Sides seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
  - d. Discuss, consider, and act upon a lease of property to Jal Welding and Machine Works. The Council did not take action to lease the property to Jal Welding and requested that the inventory be removed from the property.

12. Adjournment A motion was made by Councilmember Sides to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Councilmember McGee seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

CITY SECRETARY