

March 14, 2022

The City Council met in Public Hearing followed by Regular Session on March 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were City Administrator Jessie Montez, Mayor Sally Poteet, Council Members Danny Fryar, Gib Wheeler, Leah Flanagan and James Jenkins. Also present, Chief of Police, Joe Morales and Finance Director, Laura Samanukorn. Visitors: Landfill Manager Bill Reed and Jonathan King. Absent: Council Member Steven Villa.

Mayor Sally Poteet opened Public Hearing for Planning and Zoning at 7:00 p.m.

Robert Bird: 509 West 3<sup>rd</sup> (W/80 Lot 1 Block 1 Park Add)

No Public Comment.

With no protest, Mayor Sally Poteet closed the Public Hearing and opened Regular Session at 7:01 p.m.

Public Comment: Bill Reed will be retiring March 31<sup>st</sup>.

A motion was made by Council Member Fryar and seconded by Council Member Flanagan that the previous minutes from February 14, 2022 be approved. All voted for.

Jonathan King discussed the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board). If using this method, the city will not have to publish bids to purchase equipment. Council Member Wheeler made the motion to use the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board) to purchase heavy equipment. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion. All voted for.

Council Member Flanagan made the motion to accept the bid of \$214,349.40 (Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Forty Cents) from FEHRS to pave East School Street, East Carpenter Street and Oak Street. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to purchase Kenworth Water Truck from Circle D Trucking for \$49,500.00 (Forty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars). Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Flanagan made the motion to cancelling May 7, 2022 City Election due to **“Unopposed Candidates Declared Elected”** and adopt an ordinance cancelling city election. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Jenkins made the motion to reappoint Sally Poteet, Shannon Day, Benji Van Fleet and Jack Madison to the Economic Development Corporation for a two (2) year term. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to approve the variance request for Robert Bird – 509 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> (W/80 Lot 1 Block 1 Park Add). Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Jenkins made the motion to approve the second reading of the Economic Development Resolution to give Martin County Historical Museum \$130,000.00 (One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars). Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Chief Morales reported 119 (One Hundred Nineteen) calls for service for the month. State Comptroller awarded the city with training funds through program and the department is fully staffed.

City Manager, Jessie Montez, gave the following updates: Atmos finding leaks around town, airport is now open, TCEQ -water system inspection found no violations, July possible bid for solid waste, Chamber Banquet will be March 28<sup>th</sup>, Housing Authority Report, Landfill fees and Bill’s retirement.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to pay the February 2022 bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Flanagan, and all voted for.

Council Member Flanagan made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, and all voted for. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

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Sally Poteet, Mayor

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ATTEST: Jessie Montez, City Administrator