

February 13, 2023

The City Council met in Regular Session following Public Hearing on February 13, 2023 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, Steven Villa, Leah Flanagan and James Jenkins. Also present Finance Director, Laura Samanukorn. Visitors: Bill Reed, Dennis Simpson, Melissa Miller and Adrian Hernandez.

Mayor Sally Poteet opened Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Dylan Johnson 107 St. Benedict St. (LT 2 BLK 35 OT Addn.)  
Adrian Hernandez West School St. (1.29-acre tract, Section 15, BLK 36, T-1-S, T&P)

Public Comment: Albert Chavez's request was left-off of the Public Hearing Agenda. Council Member Fryar mentioned there is a waterline in close proximity to Albert Chavez's request. Request will be placed on next Public Hearing.

Mayor Sally Poteet closed the Public Hearing and opened Regular Session at 7:04 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Council Member Fryar and seconded by Council Member Flanagan that the previous minutes from January 13, 2023 be approved. All voted for.

Dennis Simpson and Melissa Miller with Stanton ISD had a presentation for City Council for signs the school would like to place in the street at crosswalks on Broadway and College Streets. Council Member Wheeler made the motion to allow Stanton ISD to place signs in middle of the street at crosswalks, 2 (Two) on Broadway and 1 (One) on College. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar would like to keep Discussion of Martin County Project on the agenda until project is completed.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to table Martin County Animal Advocates request for funding until the council can be given more information on the direction the organization will be heading. Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to reject previous bid due to overbudget and accept base bid and alternate bid. Grant contract number: CDV21-0113 awarded to Lee Tech Solutions with the low bid of \$341,380.00 (Three Hundred Forty-One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars) and local funds will be \$92,656.00 (Ninety-Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars) which includes 10% match. Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion on The Order of Election to be held on May 6, 2023 for the following: Council Member for District-4 (Four) and Council Member-At-Large for a 2(Two)-year term. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to appoint Helen Floyd, Election Judge for the 2023 City Elections and have City Elections held at the Martin County Election Building, early voting to begin on Monday, April 24, 2023 to Tuesday, May 2, 2023 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.). Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council would like to see an ordinance at the next meeting for customers who piggyback on family members with their utility bills.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to approve Dylan Johnson's zoning request at 107 St. Benedict St. (LT 2 BLK 35 OT Addn.). Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to approve Adrian Hernandez's rezoning request at West School St. (1.29-acre tract, Section 15, BLK 36, T-1-S, T&P). Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to approve Economic Development's project for Buff Fitness in the amount of \$2,500.00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars). Council Member Fryar seconded the motion, and all voted for.

City Manager, Jessie Montez, gave the following updates: Improvements completed on South ST. Boniface, 203 & 301 S. ST Francis have been demolished, Discussed May meeting and Election Dates, Railroad Ordinance to be ready for next Council Meeting, Police Department will be getting new body cameras which will be covered by TDEM Funds, Chamber Banquet March 27, 2023, Landfill Dozer should arrive at the end of the month, TXDOT Municipal Agreement and project on HWY 137 and Front Street.

No Chief of Police Report, Chief Morales was absent.

Council Member Jenkins made the motion to pay the January 2023 bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Flanagan, and all voted for.

Council Member Fryar made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Flanagan seconded the motion, and all voted for. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Sally Poteet, Mayor

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ATTEST: Jessie Montez, City Administrator