

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020
12:00 PM

Mayor Terri Brown called the Special-Called meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 12:08 p.m.

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Terri Brown, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Marvin Bonner, District 1
Amy Ware, District 4
Larry Hurta, District 6

Leo Morris, District 2
Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Doug Lewis, District 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Rohr, City Manager
Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney
Randy Pritchard, Support Services Superintendent
Wes Morrison, Community & Economic Development Director
Elaine Altman, City Secretary/Finance Director
Eric Powell, Public Works Director
Cliff Carruth, Police Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Mayor Brown

66. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

67. **ITEMS TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

Items B and D were withdrawn from the Consent Agenda.

68. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Hurta made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Brown seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the February 27, 2020 Regular meeting.
- C. Municipal Court Activity Report.
- E. Consider approval of a Change Order to a contract (Element #25) with Stiles Electric for the Memorial City Hall Renovation Project.
- F. Consider approval of a Change Order to a contract (Element #18) with Tackett Specialties for the Memorial City Hall Renovation Project.
- G. Consider approval to award a bid for fuel for the City of Marshall.
- H. Monthly financial report.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE

69. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 21-33 OF CHAPTER 21, "OFFENSES," ENTITLED "ANIMALS PROHIBITED IN CITY BUILDINGS; EXCEPTIONS" WHICH ESTABLISHED BUILDING AND FACILITIES OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL IN WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO ALLOW PETS OR OTHER ANIMALS.

Mark Rohr, City Manager, stated there was no new information regarding this ordinance.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve an Ordinance amending Section 21-33 of Chapter 21, "Offenses," entitled "Animals Prohibited in City Buildings; Exceptions". Commissioner Ware seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

RESOLUTION

70. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ANNOUNCING THE APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION OFFICERS FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION AND DISCUSSION OF RELATED ISSUES.

Elaine Altman, City Secretary, asked for approval of a resolution announcing the appointment of Election Officers for the 2020 General Election.

Mark Rohr presented information regarding the upcoming elections and options available for postponement due to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The Commission engaged in discussion and asked questions.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve a Resolution announcing the appointment of Election Officers for the 2020 General Election. Commissioner Hurta seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

71. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CLOSING, VACATING, AND ABANDONING THAT PORTION OF TIGER DRIVE FROM HERNDON STREET TO RAINEY STREET.

Cliff Carruth, Police Chief, asked for approval of a resolution closing, vacating and abandoning the portion of Tiger Drive from Herndon Street to Rainey Street.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve a resolution closing, vacating and abandoning the portion of Tiger Drive from Herndon Street to Rainey Street. Commissioner Hurta seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

72. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CLOSING, VACATING, AND ABANDONING THAT PORTION OF DICKSON STREET FROM JARVIS STREET TO NORTH STREET.

Cliff Carruth asked for of a resolution closing, vacating and abandoning the portion of Dickson Street from Jarvis Street to North Street.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve a resolution closing, vacating and abandoning the portion of Dickson Drive from Jarvis

Street to North Street. Mayor Brown seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

73. **REPORT REGARDING CITY COMMISSION OR CITY EMPLOYEES ADVOCATING FOR BALLOT PROPOSITIONS.**

Scott Rectenwald, Acting City Attorney, presented a report regarding City Commission or City Employees advocating for ballot propositions. He stressed City resources cannot be used to promote any proposition; they can only be used to inform the citizens.

74. **CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

B. Street Sweeping Activity Report.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion to approve Item B from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Brown seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

D. Consider approval of the proposed 2020 Street Improvement Program.

Commissioners asked questions and discussed.

Commissioner Hurta made a motion to approve Item D from the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

75. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. An Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code under Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property: Consider, discuss and deliberate sale of property.

The Commission convened into Executive Session. The time was 12:54 p.m.

The Commission reconvened from Executive Session. The time was 1:04 p.m.

76. **ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY**

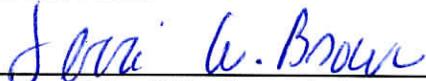
A. Consider authorizing City Staff to negotiate and/or execute an agreement for sale of property discussed in Executive Session.

Commissioner Hurta made a motion to authorize City Staff to negotiate and/or execute an agreement for sale of property as discussed in Executive Session. Commissioner Bonner seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Calhoun made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Lewis seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

APPROVED:



**Mayor of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:



City Secretary

**Ordinance: O-20-07
Resolutions: R-20-07
R-20-08
R-20-09**