

KENNEDALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING | SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 AT 5:30 PM

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 405 MUNICIPAL DRIVE, KENNEDALE, TX 76060

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Joplin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Jan Joplin; Kenneth Michels, Place 3; Austin Degenhart, Place 4; James Connor, Place 5; Place 1 and Mayor are vacant. *Staff: Darrell Hull City Manager, Anne LaMere Finance Director; Caroline Green Director of Human Resources and Administrative Services, James Cowey Community Development Director and Public Works; James Brown Fire Chief, Michael Holguin Police Chief, Elizabeth Partridge Director of Library Services and Board Secretary Rosie Ericson.*

II. WORK SESSION

A. WORK SESSION REPORTS

None at this time

B. DISCUSSION AND/OR REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OF ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

III. REGULAR SESSION

A. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State under God; One and Indivisible."

Ms. Lilly Rodriguez with Iglesias R Church in Kennedale did the invocation.
Councilmember Michels led the pledges.

B. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In addition to any items below, the Kennedale City Council, the presiding officer, and/or staff may give or receive reports regarding items of community interest, including, but not limited to, recognition of officials, citizens, staff, or departments; information regarding holiday schedules; and upcoming or attended events.

1. Updates from members of the Kennedale City Council
Councilmember Connors acknowledged and thanked the Public Works in addition to City of Arlington Water for addressing the water leaks in the City.

Kenneth Michels announced the new senior outreach is starting its Turkey drive for the seniors of Kennedale. In interested in donating you may do so through their Facebook page New Senior Outreach.

2. Updates from the Mayor

Proclamation - Declaring September 15 to October 15, 2022 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Kennedale

Mayor Pro Tem presented the Proclamation to Elizabeth Partridge Director of Library Services

Mayor Pro Tem stated lots of exciting things going on. She recently met with the Planning and Zoning department regarding some stalled projects and how we are going to be moving forward with them. Mayor Pro Tem has been meeting with local businesses and thanking them for being in the City; and offering them community involvement and support.

The City held its first K911 meeting there were eleven Pastors confirmed to attend; but due to pastors' duties only 6 attended. The second K911 meeting is scheduled for October 13th at the community center. If you are interested in hosting Bingo for the seniors please contact Elizabeth Partridge Library Services Director.

The Rotary guest speaker was meeting was great with the KISD director of counseling Dr. Stephanie Devlin and a couple of her counselors; Ms. Denisha King at Patterson and Kenya Evans. City Manager Darrell Hull and Mayor Pro Tem met with Commissioner Devan Allen regarding transportation team assisting the City with projects. Commissioner Allen received a grant from the Moncrief Cancer screening to offer free mammograms to the citizen. It will be held October 6th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you are interested on serving on a Board or Commission please apply on the City Website

3. Updates from the City Manager

Darrell Hull stated how many events are coming up in October, November and December. National Night Out will be held October 4th. Trunk or Treat will be October 29 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; another event is a request for proposals for our UDC/Comprehensive plan is due October 31st.

4. Financial Reports for the City

Anne LaMere Finance Directors stated the City is financially healthy; on the financial report there are 4 funds that are negative; in the report she stated it is normal for those funds based on what is happening to them this year. She also gave an update on the EDC financials.

C. VISITOR AND CITIZEN FORUM

Barbara Boettger 2001 Perry Dr, Mansfield TX presented the council and staff a hat and badge from the Arrowhead District of Longhorn Council Boy Scouts of American in appreciation for the extra patrols and assistance for their June 2022 Day Camp at Sonora Park. Presented a plaque to the Mayor Pro Tem and City Manager

CONSENT AGENDA

These matters have appeared on previous agendas, require little or no deliberation, or are considered routine or ministerial tasks. If discussion is desired, items may be removed for separate consideration.

1. Approval of the minutes from the August 16, 2022 regular meeting

Motion To Approve Action Approve the minutes from the August 16, 2022

regular meeting. **Moved By Michels Seconded By Degenhart. Motion passes unanimously.**

IV. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. Consider approval of the contract with Shield Engineering for the 48th 2022 CDBG Project and CDBG-CV Project

Motion To Approve Action Approve the contract with Shield Engineering for the 48th 2022 CDBG Project and CDGB-CV Project **Moved By Degenhart Seconded By Michels. Motion passes 3-1 with Connors Abstaining.**

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor recessed into Executive Session at 6:12 p.m.

The Kennedale City Council reserves the right to meet in Executive (Closed) Session at any time during the meeting pursuant to the below cited sections of the Texas Government Code:

- A. **PURSUANT TO §551.071** — *Consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct may conflict with the Open Meetings Act, including discussion of any item posted on the agenda, legal issues regarding the Open Meetings Act, and the following:*
- B. **PURSUANT TO §551.072** — *Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property:*
- C. **PURSUANT TO §551.087** — *(1) Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1):*
- D. **PURSUANT TO §551.074** — *Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee; and the following:*
1. Discussion on vacant Mayor position
 2. Discussion on vacant City Council Place 2

VI. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION, AND TAKE ACTION NECESSARY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED

Council reconvened into open session at 6:57 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem announced that we are accepting applications for the vacant council seat Place 2 and please send your application and resume to City Manager Darrell Hull via the City of Kennedale website.

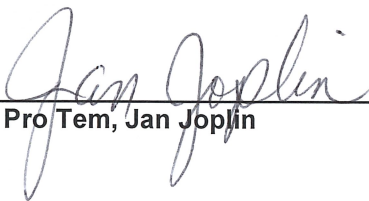
VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion To: Adjourn **Action** Adjourn **Moved By** Connor **Seconded By** Degenhart. **Motion passes unanimously.**

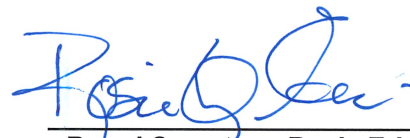
Mayor Pro Tem adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVE

ATTEST:



Mayor Pro Tem, Jan Joplin



Board Secretary, Rosie Ericson

