

**YOLANDA FORD**  
Mayor

**VASHAUNDRA EDWARDS**  
Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

**CHRIS PRESTON**  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Councilmember at Large Position No. 2



**CHERYL STERLING**  
Councilmember District A  
**JEFFREY L. BONEY**  
Councilmember District B  
**ANTHONY G. MAROULIS**  
Councilmember District C  
**FLOYD EMERY**  
Councilmember District D

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in regular session on **Monday, January 6, 2020**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **7:00 p.m.** to consider the following:

### 1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Those also present: Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmembers Edwards, Boney, Maroulis, and Emery; City Manager Snipes, City Attorney Iyamu, and City Secretary Jackson. Absent: Councilmember Sterling.

2. The **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Director of Development Services Spriggs.

### 3. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Ford administered the oath of office to certain members of the City of Missouri City's various boards, committees, and commissions.

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Kevin Turini**, 5019 Southhampton Road, requested enforcement of the City ordinance regarding the number of animals permitted at each house.

**Cecilia Hernandez**, 5142 Beekman Drive, addressed concerns for the City's ordinance regarding the number of animals permitted at each house and requested City Council to take action.

**Linda Flowers**, 5135 Beekman Drive, addressed concerns regarding the enforcement of City codes and stated she was the owner of the dog that was viciously mauled.

### 5. STAFF REPORTS

City Manager Snipes noted citations were issued pertaining to the case referred in public comments. Mayor Ford requested an agenda item to discuss the dangerous dog. Snipes announced Census Day to be Wednesday, April 1 and encouraged citizens to participate. He stated all non-emergency City offices would be closed on January 20 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. He noted the City Council meeting would be held Tuesday, January 21. Snipes thanked City Council who attended the Strategic Planning sessions held this weekend. He noted 36 employees were participating in High Performance Organization training. Snipes stated staff would be meeting with residents in Public Improvement District (PID) Section 2, Section 5 to provide them with an assessment update. He added that before the holidays, CenterPoint Energy stated that 60% of all public streetlights had been converted to LED and they expect to complete the project by the end of January. Snipes invited everyone to the Community Center on January 10 for Family Fun Night.

## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) Consider approving the minutes of the special and regular City Council meetings of December 16, 2019.

Councilmember Boney moved to approve the Consent Agenda pursuant to recommendations by City Staff. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTIONS

### (a) Zoning Public Hearings and Ordinances

- (1) Public hearing to receive comments for or against a request for a specific use permit to allow for the location of a place of assembly; describing said 8.59 acre tract of land; providing limitations, restrictions, and conditions on such specific use; amending the zoning district map of the City of Missouri City; providing for repeal; providing a penalty; containing other provisions relating to the subject; and consider the ordinance on the first of two readings. The subject site is located north of Olympia Gymnastics & Tumbling, south of Colony Lakes residential subdivision, east of a shopping center, and west of River Pointe Church, along Knights Court.

Planning Manager Gomez stated the applicant submitted a request for a SUP to allow for the location of an educational campus, places of assembly, a Montessori International School, an elementary school, middle school and student life center. The campus was proposed to be developed in phases. Phase I would include the single story, approximately 20,000 square feet Montessori school and ballfields; Phase II would be anticipated to commence approximately two years following the completion of Phase I and would include the single story, approximately 15,000 square feet elementary school; Phase III would commence approximately two years following completion of Phase II to include a two-story, approximately 30,000 square foot, middle school. Staff recommended approval and the Planning and Zoning Commission forward a positive recommendation.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to open the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilmember Maroulis asked if the applicant was open to offsetting hours so that it would vary from Elkins High School. Farrah Sabouni, the applicant, stated they would consider it. Sabouni noted they performed a traffic assessment and there was not a huge impact. Councilmember Emery asked about staging that takes place in elementary schools. Sabouni stated they ensured all cars would be queued inside the school property and there would be adequate parking for the day care and schools.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to close the public hearing at 7:24 p.m. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilmember Maroulis moved to approve the ordinance with the amendment to tie it to an LC-3 district. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

There were no **Public Hearings and related actions** or **APPOINTMENTS.**

## 9. AUTHORIZATIONS

- (a) Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Dell Financial Services for the lease of a new upgraded backup solution.

Mayor Pro Tem Preston moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Dell Financial Services for the lease of a new upgraded backup solution. Councilmember Boney seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (b) Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Dell Financial Services for the lease of a new upgraded toughbook solution.

Director of Information Technology Cole noted the current solution was about 10 years old and its end of life cycle. He added the proposed solution would update the Police and Fire department toughbooks.

Mayor Pro Tem Preston moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Dell Financial Services for the lease of a new upgraded toughbook solution. Councilmember Boney seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (c) Consider authorizing the execution of the second addendum to the Steepbank Flatbank wastewater facilities agreement with certain participants.

Councilmember Emery moved to authorize the execution of the second addendum to the Steepbank Flatbank wastewater facilities agreement with certain participants. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (d) Consider authorizing the negotiation and execution of a pre-construction phase services contract for the Mustang Bayou Wastewater Plant rehabilitation and expansion project.

Councilmember Boney moved to authorize the negotiation and execution of a pre-construction phase services contract for the Mustang Bayou Wastewater Plant rehabilitation and expansion project. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (e) Consider authorizing the execution of a letter of approval to operate a non-emergency ambulance service.

Fire Chief Campbell presented on the request by Missouri Health Services to operate a non-emergency ambulance service. He noted there was neither an abundance nor shortage of these services in the City. Mayor Ford inquired on how many ambulances had been approved in the City. Campbell stated they had seven. City Attorney Iyamu suggested to provide council with the number of applications that were approved. Mayor Ford requested such information. Councilmember Boney inquired if the City of Pearland had expressed concerns on having 19 approved ambulance services. Campbell stated they do not have issues, at the moment. Councilmember Emery asked if there was a complaint mechanism in place. Campbell stated complaints would be sent to him, but that he has not received any.

Mayor Pro Tem Preston moved to authorize the execution of a letter of approval to operate a non-emergency ambulance service. Councilmember Edwards seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (f) Consider authorizing the execution of an amendment to City Contract #18-090 for the provision of preventative maintenance for lab equipment at city's surface water treatment plant.

Councilmember Boney moved to authorize the execution of an amendment to City Contract #18-090 for the provision of preventative maintenance for lab equipment at city's surface water treatment plant. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (g) Consider authorizing the execution of multiple contracts for the provision of off-site vehicle maintenance for fleet vehicles.

Fleet Superintendent Tubbs noted the contract provided for off-site vehicle maintenance with a local company.

Councilmember Emery moved to authorize the execution of multiple contracts for the provision of off-site vehicle maintenance for fleet vehicles. Councilmember Boney seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

(h) Consider awarding a contract for coffee services at city facilities.

Councilmember Emery moved to award a contract for coffee services at city facilities. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

There were no **ORDINANCES.**

#### **11. RESOLUTIONS**

- (a) Consider authorizing a resolution approving the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation for overtime activities by law enforcement to reduce the incidence of traffic collisions, injuries, and fatalities; agreeing to provide matching funds; and containing other provisions related thereto.

Program Coordinator Murray presented on the STEP grant and noted there was a 20% match from the City.

Councilmember Emery moved to approve the resolution. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **12. CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Preston congratulated and thanked the board members for their service to the City; thanked staff for their hard work on a great City Council retreat; and, wished all residents a healthy, happy and prosperous 2020. Councilmember Edwards congratulated and thanked board members for their service to the City; invited everyone to participate with her and the Parks and Recreation Department at the Park Clean-Up on January 11; and, stated she would be hosting a Financial Literacy workshop on February 22 at the Missouri City Branch library. Councilmember Emery thanked staff for their hard work on a great City Council retreat; thanked the appointed board members for their service; and, wished everyone a Happy New Year. Councilmember Boney thanked Mshinda Nyofu and Cecillia Shearron-Hawkins for the Third Annual Kwanza Umoja Celebration; and, gave a shout out to the Snowdrop Foundation for their event and the great cause they support. Councilmember Maroulis hoped for a great New Year as a community. Mayor Ford dittoed everyone's comment and sent prayers for our military.

#### **13. ADJOURN**

The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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Maria Jackson, City Secretary