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Patricia Mitchell

City Council

Mayor Pro-Tem,  
Place 1  
Josh McCabe

Place 2  
Michelle Tye

Place 3  
Elaine Priest

Place 4  
Kathy Konegni

Place 5  
Patrick Meehan

City  
Administrator  
Cynthia Northrop

City Attorney  
Carvan Adkins

City Secretary  
Shaina Odom

Fire Chief  
Darrell Fitch

Police Chief  
Eric Debus

Public Works  
Director

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE RHOME CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: Thursday, June 9, 2022

Executive Session: 6pm

Regular Session: 7pm

**Meeting Location: Rhome Community Center, 261 North School Road, Rhome, TX 76078**  
**Call to Order and Establish a Quorum – 6pm**

Meeting was called to order at 6 pm

Mayor Mitchell convened into executive session at 6:01 pm

### **Convene into Executive Session – 6pm**

*Pursuant to the following designated section of the Texas Government Code, Annotated, Chapter 551 (Texas Open Meetings Act), the Council may convene into executive session to discuss the following:*

- A. Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney - pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offer or to seek advice from attorney
  - ETJ / Newark CCN / Future Water
- B. Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding Real Property - purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have detrimental effect on position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person
- C. Section 551.074 Personnel – discuss appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or hear complaint or charge against officer or employee in executive session unless officer or employee requests a public hearing
  - City Administrator
  - Public Works Director
- D. Section 551.087 – Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations – to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to locate, stay or expand in or near the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations

### **Reconvene into Regular Session – 7pm**

- E. Discussion and any necessary action as a result of Executive Session

No action was taken as a result of executive session

### **Invocation**

Invocation was led by Pastor Ricky Harrison

**Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag** - Chief Eric Debus led the pledges

### **Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag**

*Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, One state under God, One and indivisible*

## **Public Comments**

1. *The Council is not permitted to take action on or discuss any comments made to the Council at this time concerning an item not listed on the agenda. However, a Council Member or Mayor may make a statement of fact regarding the item, make a statement concerning the policy regarding the item and/or may propose that the item be placed on a future agenda or direct the City Administrator to contact the individual to address. If you are attending the meeting via **Live Streaming**, and you would like to make a Public Comment, you must email the City Secretary at [citysecretary@cityofrhome.com](mailto:citysecretary@cityofrhome.com) prior to **4 pm on the day of meeting** and must identify each subject you plan to present to be recognized.*
2. *If the writer of a Public Comment wants someone to read the letter, it will only be read by the City Secretary and must be emailed prior (email above) to 4 pm on the day of the meeting.*
3. *Public Comments made in person require the speaker to submit the sign-up form to the City Secretary prior to the meeting, and the form must identify each subject the speaker plans to present.*

*A statement of no more than 3 minutes may be made. There will be no yielding of time to another person. Comments should be directed to the entire Council, not individual members. Engaging in verbal attacks, or comments intended to insult, abuse, malign, or slander any individuals shall be cause for termination of time privileges and removal from Council Chambers.*

- Deborah BeCraft – 360 W Second
- Steven Knight – 1313 Prairie Point
- JoAnn Wilson – 240 W First Street
- Ashley Majors – 200 Dogwood
- Tommie Eason - 1107 Mount Lane

## **Announcements from Mayor and Council Members**

- June 11, 2022 Family Park Plant Sale 10 am to 2 pm
- June 18, 2022 – Cone with a Cop at Dairy Queen tentatively 11 am -1pm
- June 23, 2022 Council Meeting

## **Consent Agenda**

*All items under this section are recommended for approval for the Consent Agenda. These items are of a routine nature and require only brief deliberation by Council. Council reserves the right to remove any item on the Consent Agenda for further deliberation.*

- F. Minutes of City Council Regular Session dated April 14, 2022 **(City Secretary)**
- G. Minutes of City Council Regular Session dated April 25, 2022 **(City Secretary)**
- H. Minutes of City Council Regular Session dated May 18, 2022 **(City Secretary)**
- I. Minutes of City Council Regular Session dated May 26, 2022 **(City Secretary)**

Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, council member Tye seconded the motion. Passed unanimously

## **Monthly Staff Reports and Board Minutes**

*All Items under this section are for informational purposes only; no action will be taken by Council.*

Departments: Administration, Building & Development, Fire Rescue, Municipal Court, Police, and Public Works  
**(Department Heads)**

Minutes of Regular Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting dated April 4, 2022

Minutes of Regular Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting dated April 7, 2022

## **Regular Agenda – Old Business**

- J. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Dawson Geophysical Company's request for permission for 3-D Geographical seismic survey **(City Administrator)**

After brief discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion to deny Dawson Geophysical access to City property and city easements, council member Meehan seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

K. Discussion and any necessary action regarding budget amendments **(City Administrator)**

The budget amendments presented did not raise the bottom line of the existing budget. Mayor Pro-Tem made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented, Council member Priest seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Regular Agenda – New Business**

L. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Rolling V Ranch Police/Fire Agreement **(City Administrator)**

City Administrator provided an overview of the contract: RVR will fund a full-time police officer, car and equipment and one full-time fire-fighter, including gear and fund \$100,000K toward associated needs. Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion to direct the City Administrator to execute the contract, Council member Konegni seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

M. Discussion and any necessary action regarding an amendment to the OpenGov contract **(City Administrator)**

Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion for City Administrator to execute the contract with OpenGov, and earmark the reimbursement funds to future OpenGov upgrade. Council member Tye seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

N. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Community Development Block Grant, including grant administrative services contract and accompanying resolutions **(City Administrator)**

Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion directing City Administrator to execute the contract and resolutions presented, Council member Priest seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

O. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Council Priorities for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget **(City Administrator)**

After brief presentation by City Administrator, recapping departmental budget priorities, Council discussed their priorities for the upcoming FY 2022-2023 budget, including facilities, employee raises, police cars (prior action taken to lock in pricing/delivery).

P. Update and discussion regarding 2022-2023 Preliminary Taxable Values **(City Administrator)**

City Administrator presented historical preliminary and certified values. No action was taken.

Q. Report of City Inventoried Assets as Required by Section 1.2.045 **(City Administrator)**

Council reviewed City Inventoried Assets; no action was taken.

R. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the timing/ location of the executive session and regular session on the agenda **(Mayor)**

After brief discussion by the Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem McCabe made a motion to move the council meeting time to 6 pm with executive sessions to follow immediately after and Council Member Tye seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Future Agenda Items**

***(Agenda items are due by 5 pm on the Wednesday of the week prior to the council meeting)***

**Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

*P. Mitchell*

Patricia Mitchell,  
Mayor

ATTEST:

*Shaina Odom*

Shaina Odom  
City Secretary

