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Place 1
Josh McCabe

Place 2
Michelle Tye

Place 4
Sam Eason

Place 5
Ashley Majors

City
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Montgomery

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Darrell Fitch

Interim Police
Chief
Brody Brown

Public Works
Director
Sean Densmore

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RHOME CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: **WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021**

Location: **VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

MEETING START TIME: **6:30 PM**

Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:31pm and announced a quorum of Council Members present.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Jo Ann Wilson

Council Member Michelle Tye

Council Member Josh McCabe

Council Member Sam Eason

Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Priest

Council Member Ashley Majors

City Staff Present:

City Secretary Shannon Montgomery

Public Presentations and Input

The Council is not permitted to take action on or discuss any presentations made to the Council at this time concerning an item not listed on the agenda. The Council will hear comments during this designated time. Request form, or email, must be submitted to the City Secretary, via email to citysecretary@cityofrhome.com, prior to 4:00pm to be recognized.

There were no Public Presentations made.

Announcements from Mayor and Council Members

Mayor Wilson listed the following events for May 2021:

- Thursday, May 20, 2021 – Special Council Meeting
- Thursday, May 27, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting
- Saturday, May 29, 2021 – Rhome Veterans Memorial Day Celebration at the Veterans Park

Council Member McCabe publicly thanked Lee Espinoza and family from Espinoza Exquisite Exteriors for their cleaning of the Veterans Park.

Mayor Wilson thanked Terry Priest and Tommie Eason for cleaning up the flower beds at City Hall.

Canvassing and Swearing In

A. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the Canvassing of the May 1, 2021 General Election (Estimated 5 minutes/City Secretary)

City Secretary Montgomery stated that the Ordinance presented tonight shows the total number of votes received for each candidate and the total number of ballots cast.

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Priest, to approve Ordinance 2021-09 as presented.

City Secretary Montgomery asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Tye: Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Majors: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY OF RHOME, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RHOME, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS, INCLUDING THE RETURNS OF ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING BALLOTS CAST IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON MAY 1, 2021 RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER TO PLACE NO. 1 FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER TO PLACE NO. 2 FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM AND ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER TO PLACE NO. 3 FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM TO THE CITY OF RHOME CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF VOTE TABULATIONS; IDENTIFYING THE OFFICIALS ELECTED AND TERMS OF OFFICE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF GENERAL ELECTION; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CANVASS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**B. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Certificates of Election, Statements of Office and Oaths of Office
(Estimated 5 min/City Secretary)**

City Secretary Montgomery stated that Mayor Wilson had signed the Certificates of Election and she would give those to the Council Members when they stopped by City Hall to sign their Statement of Office and Oath of Office paperwork.

City Secretary Montgomery provided over Council Member-Elect McCabe's, Council Member-Elect Tye's, and Council Member-Election Priest's Statement of Office and Oath of Office.

C. Discussion and any necessary action regarding selecting mayor pro tem for one-year term and updating authorized signatures for bank accounts (Estimated 5 minutes/City Secretary)

Motion made by Council Member Tye, seconded by Council Member Majors, to nominate Council Member Priest as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Priest respectively declined the nomination.

Motion made by Council Member Priest, seconded by Council Member Eason to nominate Council Member McCabe as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion made by Council Member Majors to nominate Council Member Tye as Mayor Pro Tem; which Council Member Tye respectively declined.

City Secretary Montgomery asked for a roll-call vote on the motion to nominate Council Member McCabe as Mayor Pro Tem:

Council Member McCabe: Abstained
Council Member Tye: Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Majors: Nay

Motion carried 3-1-1 with Council Members Tye, Priest, and Eason voting for, Council Member Majors voting against, and Council Member McCabe abstaining.

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Council Member Priest, to authorize the changing of bank signature cards from Council Member Priest to Council Member McCabe.

City Secretary Montgomery asked for a roll-call vote:

- Council Member McCabe: Aye
- Council Member Tye: Aye
- Mayor Pro Tem Priest: Aye
- Council Member Eason: Aye
- Council Member Majors: Nay

Motion carried 4-1-0 with Council Members McCabe, Tye, Priest and Eason voting for and Council Member Majors voting against.

Future Agenda Items

Council Member Eason asked for a future agenda item regarding potential bonds.

Council Member Majors asked for future agenda items regarding parks and water tower antennas.


Council Member McCabe requested a proclamation recognizing National Police Week.

Council Member Majors asked if the pledges and invocation can be placed back on the agendas.

Adjourn

Mayor Wilson adjourned the meeting at 6:53pm.

Minutes approved the 20th day of May 2021.


Jo Ann Wilson,
Mayor




Shannon Montgomery, TRMC
City Secretary