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Mayor

Michelle Pittman Di Credico

**City Council** 

Mayor Pro-Tem, Place 3

**Elaine Priest** 

Place 1

Josh McCabe

Place 2

Kenny Crenshaw

Place 4

Sam Eason

Place 5

Leeanne

Mackowski

City Administrator Cynthia Northrop

City Attorney Carvan Adkins

City Secretary Shannon Montgomery

**Fire Chief** Darrell Fitch

**Police Chief** Sam Love

**Public Works** Director Sean Densmore MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION OF THE RHOME CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2020 **Location: VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE MEETING START TIME: 6:30 PM** 

Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

Mayor Pittman Di Credico called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, called roll, and announced a quorum of Council Members present.

**Council Members Present:** 

Mayor Michelle Pittman Di Credico Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Priest

Council Member Josh McCabe

Council Member Kenny Crenshaw Council Member Sam Eason

Council Member Leeanne Mackowski – arrived at 6:34pm

City Staff Present:

City Administrator Cynthia Northrop

City Attorney James Donovan

City Secretary Shannon Montgomery

Municipal Court Clerk Kristi Adams

Police Chief Sam Love

Public Works Director Sean Densmore

**Public Presentations and Input** 

Council received public presentations from the following:

- Greg Roemer, 2010 California Crossing, Dallas, Texas 75220 (Community Waste Disposal)
- Jo Ann Wilson, 240 West Second, Rhome, Texas
- Lisa Ann Wilson, 240 West Second, Rhome, Texas
- Shirley Mize, 170 Russell Street, Rhome, Texas
- Jennifer Christine Brewer (Smith), 265 West First Street, Rhome, Texas

## Announcements from Mayor and Council Members

## A. November 2020 Events:

- Early Voting continues through Friday, October 30, 2020 times and locations are online at www.cityofrhome.com
- Municipal Court Week Proclamation Week of November 2-6, 2020
- Election Day Tuesday, November 3, 2020
- Veterans Day Wednesday, November 11, 2020 City Offices Closed

Mayor Pittman Di Credico listed the November 2020 events and presented Municipal Court Clerk Kristi Adams with the Municipal Court Week Proclamation.

# Regular Session - Old Business

B. Update, discussion and any necessary action regarding latest developments for COVID-19 and mitigation efforts and actions within the City

Mayor Pittman Di Credico stated that on October 21, 2020, the CDC has updated regulations for close contact and that Staff is reviewing those regulations for staff and resident safety.

## C. Update, discussion, and any necessary action regarding Municipal Complex Project

Mayor Pittman Di Credico stated that Staff is continuing to work on the Request for Proposals.

#### D. Update, discussion and any necessary action regarding Master Thoroughfare Plan Project

Mayor Pittman Di Credico shared that the Master Thoroughfare Plan Steering Committee had its third and final meeting and the final report will be presented at the November 12, 2020 Council meeting.

## E. Update, discussion and any necessary action regarding UTA's report on the Parks Master Plan

Alan Klein, UTA, presented the draft report of the Parks Master Plan and addressed questions from Council.

# F. Update, discussion and any necessary action regarding Water Source/Rate Study

Jeff James and Kyle Wheldon, Kimley-Horn, provided a brief update on the status of the Water Source/Rate Study and stated that the final report would be presented to Council at the November 12, 2020 Council Meeting. James listed the five potential water suppliers.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico called a short recess due to technical difficulties.

After the short recess, Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a motion to move forward to negotiate with Upper Trinity as a water source to the City.

Motion made by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Priest, to authorize Staff to enter into negotiations with Upper Trinity to discuss options of water sourcing to the City of Rhome.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe:

Aye

Council Member Crenshaw:

Aye

Mayor Pro-Tem Priest:

Aye

Council Member Eason:

Aye

Council Member Mackowski:

Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

## G. Discussion and any necessary action regarding filling vacancies on the Planning & Zoning Commission

Mayor Pittman Di Credico moved this item to the November 12, 2020 Council Meeting.

## **Public Hearing**

H. Rhome City Council to conduct a Public Hearing to consider a request for a Carport at property being described as Legal: Acres: 0.209, Lot: 2, Blk: 1, Subd: ROLLING HILLS ADDITION also known as 321 Redbud, Rhome, Texas 76078

Mayor Pittman Di Credico opened the Public Hearing at 7:31pm.

City Secretary Montgomery stated that she received two responses to the 200-foot property notices:

- James Humphries In Favor
- Juan and Carmen Rodriguez In Favor

Mayor Pittman Di Credico opened the Public Hearing to the audience, no one spoke.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico closed the Public Hearing at 7:32pm.

#### Regular Session - New Business

I. Discussion and any necessary action regarding a request for a Carport at legal property being Legal: Acres: 0.209, Lot: 2, Blk: 1, Subd: ROLLING HILLS ADDITION also known as 321 Redbud, Rhome, Texas 76078

City Administrator Northrop stated that this item was reviewed by the appropriate Staff, including the City Engineer and reminded Council that the requestor was asking for a variance to the side setback, which Council approved a similar variance back in March.

Motion made by Council Member Mackowski, seconded by Council Member McCabe, to approve the carport with the variance to the side setback.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

J. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the awarding of Solid Waste Collection Contract and notice of cancellation of existing contract, if applicable

Mayor Pittman Di Credico listed the Request for Proposals received – Waste Connections, Frontier Waste Solutions and Rhino Removal. Di Credico stated that action needed tonight is to select a company to enter into negotiations and that a survey would be completed to allow residents to vote on what rate structure is the best option for them.

Council entered into a question and answer session with all three companies related to their options and services.

Motion made by Council Member McCabe to go with Staff recommendation. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Council Member Crenshaw to move forward with Rhino Removal. Motion died for lack of a second.

Council convened into Executive Session at 8:21pm to seek advice from the City Attorney concerning any item on this agenda, to discuss pending and contemplated litigation, or a settlement offer, or to discuss a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Board of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551.

Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:40pm.

Motion made by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Mackowski, to move forward with Waste Connections.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

# K. Discussion and any necessary action regarding amendment to Rolling V pre-development and services agreement with PMB Capital

City Attorney Adkins asked that the Mayor move to the next agenda item and move back into Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

# L. Discussion and any necessary action regarding traffic concerns along Main Street and BC Rhome

Council discussed the traffic concerns along Main Street and BC Rhome, Mayor Pittman Di Credico stated that some of these concerns have been discussed with the Master Thoroughfare Steering Committee and TxDot. The final report from the Master Thoroughfare Steering Committee will address some of the concerns.

# M. Discussion and any necessary action regarding submitting request for Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) reimbursement and authorizing the Mayor to expend funds for the City's remaining allotment

Motion made by Council Member Mackowski, seconded by Council Member Eason, to authorize the Mayor to submit a request a request for Coronavirus Relief Funds reimbursement and to expend funds for the City's remaining allotment.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

# **Consent Agenda**

N. Minutes of City Council Special Session dated October 13, 2020

#### O. Interlocal Agreement with Wise County for Road Repairs

Motion made by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Council Member Crenshaw to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico reconvened into Executive Session at 9:04pm.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico reconvened into Regular Session at 9:18pm.

# K. Discussion and any necessary action regarding amendment to Rolling V pre-development and services agreement with PMB Capital

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Council Member Crenshaw, to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement through to the November 12, 2020 Council Meeting.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

# **Future Agenda Items**

Mayor Pro Tem Priest asked for a facilities list, including any needs, whether it be custodial, yard care, plumbing, etc.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

Motion made by Council Member McCabe, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Priest, to adjourn.

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Mayor Pittman Di Credico asked for a roll-call vote:

Council Member McCabe: Aye
Council Member Crenshaw: Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Priest: Aye
Council Member Eason: Aye
Council Member Mackowski: Aye

Motion carried unanimously; meeting adjourned at 9:22pm.

Minutes approved the 12th day of November 2020

Jo Ann Wilson.

Mayor