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Vacant

Place 2
Kenny Crenshaw

Place 4
Sam Eason

Place 5
Leeanne
Mackowski

City
Administrator
Joe Ashton

City Attorney
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City Secretary
Shannon
Montgomery

Fire Chief
Darrell Fitch

Police Chief
Sam Love

Public Works
Director
Lance Petty

MINUTES OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING OF THE RHOME CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: Thursday, October 11, 2018

Location: Rhome Community Center, 261 North School Road

MEETING START TIME: 7:00 PM

Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

Mayor Pittman Di Credico called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. and announced a quorum of Council Members present.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Michelle Pittman Di Credico

Council Member Sam Eason

Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Priest

Council Member Leeanne Mackowski

Council Member Kenny Crenshaw

City Staff Present:

City Administrator Joe Ashton

City Secretary Shannon Montgomery

City Attorney Carvan Adkins

Police Chief Sam Love

Mayor Pittman Di Credico made the announcement of Sergeant Robin Adair being missing and asked for a Moment of Silence. Police Chief Love provided the update that they had to suspend the search after a diver had gone down twice.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Council Member Crenshaw gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Citizen Presentations and Public Input for Future Agenda Items

Robin Holmes, 504 Stirling Road, Rhome, Texas spoke to the Council about national preparedness in light of current US situations.

Fabiola Valdez, 280 South Dogwood, Rhome, Texas thanked Council for their volunteer service, Morris Street Project, and current perceptions of residents.

Patricia Mitchell, 389 South Old Mill Road, Rhome, Texas focused on the upcoming Bond Election.

Announcements from Mayor and Council Members

Mayor Pittman Di Credico shared that the install of the new roof at the Old School Building was complete and reminded everyone of the November 10, 2018 Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Park hosted by the Rhome Veterans.

Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of September 25, 2018 City Council Regular Session**
- B. Minutes of September 28, 2018 City Council Special Session**
- C. Approval of Appointment of Reserve Police Officer – Cary Mellema**

Police Chief Love introduce Cary Mellema and gave a brief background.

Motion made by Council Member Mackowski, seconded by Council Member Eason, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, including the appointment of Reserve Police Officer Cary Mellema. Motion carried unanimously.

Monthly Staff Reports

- D. Mayor's Report of Operations**
- E. Departments: Administration, Fire Rescue, Municipal Court, Police and Public Works**
- F. Boards: Parks & Recreation Board and Planning & Zoning Commission**

No action taken, discussion only.

Council Member Eason asked to move Agenda Item P forward to possibly include a new Council Member in the Executive Session. Mayor Pittman Di Credico stated that Agenda Item P was not worded to appoint a new Council Member.

Executive Session

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

- G. Section 551.071 Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek advice from attorney - Morris Street Project**

Mayor Pittman Di Credico convened into Executive Session at 7:23 pm.

Mayor Pittman Di Credico reconvened into Regular Session at 7:52 pm.

Reconvene into Regular Session

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

Council took no action as a result of the Executive Session.

Regular Agenda – Old Business

- I. Discussion and any necessary action regarding an update on the Planning & Zoning Commission's comprehensive zoning review**

City Administrator Ashton stated that at the last Planning & Zoning Commission meeting, the Commission decided on the boundaries for Old Town Rhome and that overall it was a very productive meeting. Ashton also stated that within the next two to three meetings, the Commission should be ready to have a Public Hearing on possible amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

- J. Discussion and any necessary action regarding an Ordinance for quarterly budget amendments for Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

Mayor Pittman Di Credico moved this agenda item to the October 23, 2018 meeting due to financial software updates and this week's events.

Regular Agenda – New Business

K. Discussion and any necessary action regarding site plan from Guaranteed Hydromulch for proposed new office and headquarters at Industrially zoned property with legal description of Closner Trans-Texas Addition Lot 3, Block A, in accordance with City of Rhome Subdivision Ordinance

City Administrator Ashton stated that this was the next step after the Replat they saw at the last Council meeting. Staff and the City Engineer have all reviewed and Planning & Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the Site Plan. Ashton also relayed that the applicant's representative is in attendance for questions.

Council Member Eason asked if chief Fitch has reviewed. Ashton stated he has and that he and Chief Fitch met the applicant at the property; Chief Fitch has no issues and is recommending approval as well.

Motion made by Council Member Mackowski, seconded by Council Member Crenshaw, to accept the Site Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

L. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Rhome Library agreement for Fiscal Year 2018-2019

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Council Member Crenshaw, to approve the Rhome Library agreement for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

M. Discussion and any necessary action regarding Auditor Engagement Letter for Fiscal Year 2018-2019

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Council Member Mackowski, to approve the Auditor Engagement Letter for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

N. Discussion and any necessary action regarding annual interlocal agreement for Fire Protection and First Responder Services with Wise County

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Priest, seconded by Council Member Eason, to approve the Fire Protection and First Responder Services with Wise County as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

O. Discussion and any necessary action regarding annual interlocal agreement for Fire Protection and First Responder Services with Tarrant County Emergency Services District No. One

Motion made by Council Member Eason, seconded by Council Member Crenshaw, to approve the Fire Protection and First Responder Services with Tarrant County Emergency Services District No. One as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

P. Discussion and any necessary action regarding filling vacancy for Council Member Place 1

Mayor Pittman Di Credico stated that the City has received four applications and learned of one interested this evening. Consensus of the Council was to hold an interview session during the next Council Meeting to interview the candidates and to provide those candidates with the list of questions prior to the next meeting.

Future Agenda Items

Council Member Eason asked to discuss the feasibility of providing tours of the Old School Building to residents be placed on the next agenda.

Adjourn

Motion made by Council Member Mackowski, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Priest, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes approved the 23rd day of October 2018.

Michelle Pittman Di Credico

Michelle Pittman Di Credico,
Mayor

Shannon Montgomery

Shannon Montgomery, TRMC
City Secretary

