



CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2020

The City of Fredericksburg City Council met in a regular session on Monday, November 2, 2020, at 6 p.m. This meeting was held remotely via Zoom Teleconferencing, and in-person at the University Center-HEB Room, 2818 US 290 Fredericksburg, Texas. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

Members Present:

Mayor Gary Neffendorf
Councilmember Charlie Kiehne
Councilmember Tom Musselman (participated via Zoom)
Councilmember Polly Rickert
Councilmember Bobby Watson

Members Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Kent Myers, City Manager
Clinton Bailey, Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works and Utilities
Daniel Jones, City Attorney
Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief
Russell Immel, Information Technology Director
Andrea Schmidt, Parks Department Director (participated via Zoom)
Lea Feuge, Public Information Officer
Kris Kneese, Assistant Director of Public Works and Utilities
Garrett Bonn, Assistant Engineer
Jennifer Krupa, Special Events Coordinator
Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Neffendorf called the regular meeting of the Fredericksburg City Council to order at 6 p.m. on Monday, November 2, 2020, in person at the University Center-HEB Room via Zoom Teleconference. Mayor Neffendorf announced a quorum of the City Council present.

2. UPDATE ON CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC

Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief, reported as of 11-2-2020:

World	United States
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46,643,798 Positive Cases	9,302,271 Positive Cases
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Texas	Case Count	Total Deaths	Active Cases	Recovered Cases	Test Performed	
253 counties out of 254	904,855 New 4,111	18,077 New 53	103,935	785,282	8,218,245	
Region 8 Counties	Region 8 Total Cases	Region 8 Deaths	Region 8 Active Cases	Region 8 Recovered	Region 8 Pending investigation cases	Region 8 Probable
28 out of 28	101,068	2,042	2,628	78,800	552	14,807

COVID-19 totals of the adjacent counties' information (DSHS as of 11-1-2020):

County	New Daily Cases	Cases	Active	Recovered	Fatalities
Gillespie County	0	391	6	383	10
Kerr County	5	792	25	755	12
Kendall County	0	523	3	514	6
Llano County	0	189	31	155	3
Mason County	0	83	4	77	2
Blanco County	0	163	11	146	6
Burnet County	0	1,096	263	818	15

Hospital Data

Date	# Patients	Daily New Confirmed Cases
10-26-2020	5,278	4,418
10-27-2020	5,512	7,055
10-28-2020	5,650	5,175
10-29-2020	5,587	6,430
10-30-2020	5,627	5,933
10-31-2020	5,696	6,845
11-1-2020	5,691	4,111

Daily Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

Date	Gillespie County # Cases	Kerr County # Cases	Kendall County # Cases	Blanco County # Cases	Burnet County # Cases	Llano County # Cases	Mason County # Cases
10-26-2020	1	2	0	0	3	0	0
10-27-2020	2	5	0	2	25	4	2

10-28-2020	0	2	1	1	97	0	0
10-29-2020	4	2	3	0	36	8	0
10-30-2020	1	3	1	0	2	0	1
10-31-2020	1	5	0	1	11	1	0
11-1-2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hill County Memorial Hospital Report

- Hospitalized COVID Cases -2

FISD Cumulative Cases

Campus	Total Positive Cases	Total Positive Current Cases	Total Cumulative Exposures	Total Current Exposures
Billie Kids Daycare	0	0	0	0
FPS	2	0	0	0
SES	0	0	0	0
FES	8	1	107	12
FMS	7	4	20	1
FHS	25	2	163	8
GCHS	0	0	0	0

Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief, reported on the following:

- CDC Guidelines
- Social distancing to eliminate community spread
- Good hygiene
- Cover your mouth when you cough
- Do not travel to hot spot areas, if possible
- Avoid crowds of 10 or more.
- Tested 307 (234 Gillespie County) on Sunday, October 18, 2020, 36 (28 Gillespie County) positive cases.
- Next testing will occur on Wednesday, November 11, and Sunday, November 15, at the Pioneer Pavilion from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.
- HCMH Drive-Up COVID testing has been moved to HCM Immediate Care.

3. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

Kent Myers, City Manager, stated he would like to recognize the City Secretary's Department for their hard work and long hours they have put into the November 3, 2020 Election. He also thanked other City employees who have helped (Lea Feuge, Tammie Loth, Anna Hudson, Jennifer Krupa, and Garret Bonn).

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Neffendorf reviewed the different ways the public could provide comments. He stated the City received one citizen who signed up for verbal comments and no written citizen comments.

Timothy Riley spoke via Zoom regarding educating the public regarding elections and other City services. He also spoke regarding the Census process.

George Studor spoke regarding the City General Election for November 3, 2020, and concerns with voter confusion. He noted his experiences when dealing with the Gillespie County Election Administration's office.

Rebecca Rather spoke regarding the effects that she is experiencing with the STR next door to her. She encouraged the City to enforce the rules regarding STRs.

Jennifer Eggleston spoke regarding issues she is experiencing with STRs in her neighborhood. She also encouraged the City Council to address the junkyard/house in her neighborhood.

5. Consent

A. Consider approval of the October 5, 2020, City Council Regular Meeting.

B. Consider the approval of Resolution 2020-17R ratifying the appointment of members to the City's Historic Preservation Board and clarifying the terms of said appointments.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to approve the City Council Minutes for October 5, 2020, and Resolution 2020-17R ratifying the appointment of members to the City's Historic Preservation Board and clarifying the terms of said appointments. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

6. RESOLUTION

A. Consider the approval of Resolution 2020-18R amending the previous appointment of Judge in Precinct 1 and 4 for the November 3, 2020, General Election.

Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary, stated due to COVID-19, a Judge and Alternate Judge will not be able to work, and a new Judge and Alternate Judge need to be appointed.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Musselman, to approve Resolution 2020-18R amending the previous appointment of Judge in Precinct 1 and 4 for the November 3, 2020, General Election. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

7. OTHER ACTION ITEMS AND UPDATES

A. Consider the approval of request from Ernie Loeffler on behalf of the 175th Anniversary Steering Committee and Marketing Sub-Committee for 175th Anniversary Banners.

Ernie Loeffler, 175th Anniversary Committee Member, reviewed the Souvenir Subcommittee's proposal for three different types of banners/flags. He reviewed the different sizes and the purpose of the different banners/flags (souvenir flags to be hung on Main Street's flag poles, and banners to be hung across Main Street and/or carried during the parade).

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Watson, seconded by Councilmember Kiehne, to approve the request from Ernie Loeffler on behalf of the 175th Anniversary Steering Committee and Marketing Sub-Committee for 175th Anniversary Banners. The City Council

voted four (4) for, none (0) opposed, and one (1) abstained (Neffendorf). The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider the approval of the Reclaimed Water Service Agreement with the Frieden Development to provide reclaimed water, in lieu of potable water, for irrigation of common landscape areas within the development.

Kris Kneese, Assistant Director of Public Works and Utilities, reviewed the history of the reclaimed waste line located on Friendship Lane. He noted the Frieden Development has requested the use of the City's reclaimed water to irrigate landscape areas within the residential common areas and future commercial properties within the Development. He also reviewed the Agreement and what the Development will be required to do. City Staff recommends approving the Reclaimed Water Service Agreement with the Frieden Development to provide reclaimed water, instead of potable water, for irrigation of common landscape areas within the development

The City Council discussed the request from Frieden Development and their responsibilities regarding the Agreement.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to approve the Reclaimed Water Service Agreement with the Frieden Development to provide reclaimed water, in lieu of potable water, for irrigation of common landscape areas within the development. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Emergency Management Coordinator Position

Kent Myers, City Manager, provided an update on the Emergency Management Coordinator position. He stated the hiring committee will be Judge Stroehrer, Lynn Bizzell, Dave Wisniewski, Tammie Loth, and Mayor Neffendorf.

B. Development Services Director Position

Clinton Bailey, Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works and Utilities, stated the position was advertised September-November, and 17 applications were received. There will be 3-5 candidates interviewed, and the first round will be held later this month; and the City is looking for a start date of February 1, 2021.

C. Parks Playground Improvements

Jennifer Krupa, Special Events Coordinator, stated the groundbreaking for Old Fair Park was held on October 23, 2020. The Rotary Club has donated the equipment and the construction has now begun.

D. Election Update

Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary, updated the City Council and the public on the November 3, 2020 Election. She reminded those who did not vote during Early Voting, will have to vote at their Precinct. She announced how the residents can find out their Precinct and the Election results.

9. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Kent Myers, City Manager, reviewed the Future Agenda.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

No comments were made.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property):

- A. Consider and discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, located in the vicinity of US 290 E at the Pedernales River crossing, approximately two miles to the east of the City of Fredericksburg (Sec. 551.072).**

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to go out of Regular Session into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

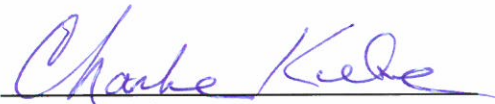
Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Musselman, seconded by Councilmember Rickert, to go out of Executive Session into Regular Session at 8:23 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

11. BUSINESS ITEM

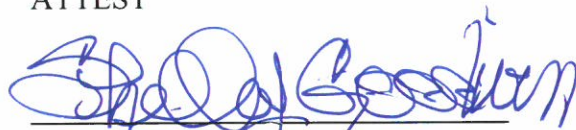
No action was taken.

12. ADJOURN

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Kiehne, seconded by Councilmember Watson, to adjourn the Monday, October 19, 2020, City Council Regular Meeting at 8:24 p.m. The City Council voted five (5) for, and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.


Charlie Kiehne
Mayor

ATTEST


Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
City Secretary