# MINUTES

# **CITY OF JOHNSON CITY**

# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of Johnson City, Texas held a regular meeting at Blanco County Annex, Hoppe Room located at 101 E. Cypress, Johnson City on Wednesday, September 2, 2020.

City Council members present were: Mayor Rhonda Stell, Shelton Coleman, Clayton Young, Teresa Babb, Gayla Guthrie and Pat Dildine. A quorum was present.

Mayor Stell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

City staff members present were: Chief Administrative Officer Anthony Holland, City Attorney Elizabeth Elleson, Public Works Director BJ Sultemeier, Dep Secretary Whitney Walston, and Police Chief Ross Allen.

Citizens present: Al and Miriam Poteet, Patty Chimene & Husband, Frances Ann Giron, Trish Hartman and Husband, Blaine Schwartz, Craig Van Engelen, Steve Sanchez, Rayette Bible, and Crystal Tamillo.

#### 2. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Pastor Steve Sanchez.

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Blaine Schwartz spoke about the resolving the Methodist Church water bill. CAO Holland said that Public Works Director BJ Sultemeier would present the refund to the council in October.

### 5. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

#### a. PRESENTATION: UPDATE BY MAYOR STELL

Mayor Stell thanked CAO Holland for his years of service to the City, noting his last day as an employee of the City would be October 4<sup>th</sup> and he would transition into a consulting contract. She also spoke about Covid numbers decreasing. She closed with a status update about the audits.

#### b. PRESENTATION: JOHNSON CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber Director Frances Anne Giron reported that the number of visitors coming to the center are still down, but phone inquiries are steady. She also mentioned that there has been questions about Market Days resuming but noted due to the location on City property, the Governors orders do not allow the event to be held at this time.

# c. PRESENTATION: ANTHONY HOLLAND, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Holland made remarks about a variance application that was submitted for the proposed subdivision in Johnson City. The variance would be on the October agenda.

### 6. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. APPROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020.
- b. APPROVE PUBLIC WORKS REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020.
- c. APPROVE MINUTES FOR AUGUST 4, 2020 REGULAR MEETING.
- d. APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE AUGUST 25, 2020 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP.
- e. APPROVE INVOICES FOR AUGUST 2020.
- f. APPROVE FINANCIAL CONDITION REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020.
- g. APPROVE BUILDING PERMIT REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020.
- h. APPROVE WORK ORDER REPORT FOR AUGUST 2020.

After discussion about certificates of occupancy being issues only for commercial construction and not residential, Council Member Dildine made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Guthrie seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion passed.

# 7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R20-043 REQUESTING THE USE OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FOR PARKS.

Resolution R20-043 is to show the cities support for a bill that is before the Texas legislature which allows cities to use collected HOT funds to support the cities parks. Council Member Coleman made a motion to approve resolution R20-043. Council Member Dildine seconded the motion, all were in favor and the resolution was adopted.

# 8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE FY 2017, 2018 AND 2019 AUDITS.

Holland reported that the auditors would like to be on the September 15<sup>th</sup> agenda. Discussion and action were tabled until the meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

# 9. BUDGET WORKSHOP: DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

Use of HOT funds was thoroughly discussed. A recommendation of hiring an outside marketing team was discussed. The need for funding hydrant replacements, paving, the need for the sixth police officer was also discussed. Increasing garbage collection rates to offset the revenue loss by the city was discussed.

### 10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

hitney Walston, Deputy City Secretary

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Rhonda Stell, Mayor

ATTEST: