

Minutes of the City of Harker Heights Council Meeting that was called to order on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the Kitty Young Council Chamber at the Harker Heights City Hall at 305 Miller's Crossing, Harker Heights, Texas 76548, with the following members present:

ROLL CALL: Mayor Spencer H Smith
Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer McCann
Councilmember Michael Blomquist
Councilmember Jackeline Soriano Fountain
Councilmember Lynda Nash
Councilmember Sam Halabi

City Manager David Mitchell
City Secretary Julie Helsham

EXCUSED: None

MAYORAL PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Mayor Smith presented a Proclamation to Jeff Achee, Parks and Recreation Director and Nichole Broemer, Recreation Center & Senior Programs Manager, declaring the month of May 2022, as "Older Americans Month".

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Council discussed and considered approving the minutes of the meetings held on April 12, 2022, and April 19, 2022.

Councilmember Fountain made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held on April 12, 2022, and April 19, 2022. Councilmember Blomquist seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Council conducted a public hearing to discuss and consider approving an Ordinance of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, amending §150.33 of the Harker Heights Code of Ordinances to clarify visibility triangle requirements, and provide for the processing of alternate fence designs. Kristina Ramirez, Planning and Development Director, made the presentation.

Councilmember Fountain made a motion to approve an Ordinance to amend § 150.33 of the Harker Heights Code of Ordinances to clarify visibility triangle requirements, and provide for the processing of alternate fence designs, based upon staff's recommendation and findings. Councilmember Nash seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Council discussed and considered approving a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, declaring certain engineering firms to be pre-qualified to provide certain professional services to the City, subject to specified conditions. Mark Hyde, Public Works Director, made the presentation.

Mayor Pro Tem McCann made a motion to approve a Resolution declaring the Engineering Firms listed on Schedule A to be pre-qualified to provide professional services for water, wastewater, transportation, and drainage projects for the City of Harker Heights subject to specified conditions, based upon staff's recommendation and findings. Councilmember Blomquist seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

2. Council discussed and considered approving a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Harker Heights, Texas, awarding a contract for a concession agreement to Mama's Soul Concessions LLC, for one year, with the City having two successive one-year options to renew for a maximum combined term of three years, and authorizing the city manager to enter such contract on behalf of the City. Jeff Achee, Parks and Recreation Director, made the presentation.

Councilmember Nash made a motion to approve adopting a resolution awarding a contract for a concession agreement to Mama's Soul for one year, with the City having two successive one-year options to renew for a maximum combined term of three years, and authorizing the City Manager to enter into such contract on behalf of the City. Councilmember Halabi seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

3. Council received and discussed the City Manager's Report. David Mitchell, City Manager, made the presentation. No action taken.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Councilmember closing statements.

Councilmember Fountain stated that she attended the following events:

- April 17th – Easter Sunrise Service
- April 19th – Spectrum Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- April 22nd - Killeen Branch NAACP 47th Freedom Fund Banquet
- April 23rd – Harker Heights Police Department Pop-up Clinic
- April 23rd - National Mounted Warfare Foundation's Homecoming for Heroes Gala
- April 26th – III Corps & Fort Hood 24th Annual Consolidated Graduation Recognition Ceremony
- Early College High School Award Ceremony
- Killeen Health Clinic Event

Councilmember Blomquist stated that he attended the following events:

- April 16th – Vintage Church Huge Eggstravaganza at Harker Heights Community Park
- April 16th – Express Emergency Room Easter Egg Hunt with Pony rides
- April 16th – Innovation Black Chamber of Commerce, Culture on the Square event at Carl Levin Park
- April 19th – Harker Heights Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting for Spectrum Business
- April 20th – Harker Heights Volunteer Awards Ceremony in Carl Levin Park
- April 22nd – Memorial Ceremony honoring the late Sue Hendrick at Carl Levin Park
- April 22nd – West Point Founders Day Event
- April 23rd - National Mounted Warfare Foundation’s Homecoming for Heroes Gala

2. Updates and announcements from the Mayor.

Mayor Smith stated that he attended the following events:

- April 14th – Texas A & M Central Texas meet and greet with U. S. Congressman August Pflueger.
- April 14th – Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce Policy Planning Committee Luncheon at Texas A & M Central Texas.
- April 14th – Central Texas Sustainable Committees Partnership Ceremony at Carl Levin Park.
- April 17th – Easter Sunrise Service sponsored by Harker Heights Kiwanis Club and Harker Heights First United Methodist Church.
- April 19th – Harker Heights City Council Meeting and Workshop.
- April 20th – Chairman, Killeen Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization, Transportation Policy Planning Board.
- April 20th – Harker Heights Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony at Carl Levin Park.
- April 21st – Harker Heights City Hall Meeting with incoming Councilmember.
- April 21st – Harker Heights Chamber of Commerce presentation by Chip Adams, Texas Music Office, regarding “Music Friendly Communities”.
- April 23rd – Fort Hood Area Lemonade Day Judge at Stonetree Golf Course in Killeen.
- April 23rd – Homecoming For Heroes Celebration at the National Mounted Warrior Museum.
- April 25th – Harker Heights Chamber of Commerce Forum with Texas Representative Hugh Shine.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the City of Harker Heights City Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

CITY OF HARKER HEIGHTS, TEXAS:

Spencer H. Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Helsham, City Secretary

City Council
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