

**YOLANDA FORD**

Mayor

**VASHAUNDRA EDWARDS**

Councilmember at Large Position No. 1

**CHRIS PRESTON**

Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmember at Large Position No. 2



**CHERYL STERLING**

Councilmember District A

**JEFFREY L. BONEY**

Councilmember District B

**ANTHONY G. MAROULIS**

Councilmember District C

**FLOYD EMERY**

Councilmember District D

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

The City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, met in regular session on **Monday, February 3, 2020**, at the City Hall, Council Chamber, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas, 77489, at **7:00 p.m.** to consider the following:

### **1. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Those also present: Mayor Pro Tem Preston, Councilmembers Edwards, Sterling, and Maroulis; City Manager Snipes, City Secretary Jackson, and City Attorney Iyamu. Councilmember Boney arrived at 7:13 p.m. Councilmember Emery arrived at 7:14 p.m.

**2.** The **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Assistant City Manager Atkinson.

### **3. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

City Manager Snipes and Director of Communications Walker presented on upcoming Black History Month events.

Councilmember Edwards stepped away at 7:16 p.m.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Kevin Turini**, 5019 Southhampton Road, expressed concerned with inaction of city government to enforce Sec. 10-6, Limitation on number of dogs and cats, of the City municipal code in the past 54 days.

Councilmember Edwards returned at 7:18 p.m.

### **5. STAFF REPORTS**

City Manager Snipes noted City staff had respond numerous times to Mr. Turini with actions the City has taken. He added staff had also shared legal mandates on what the City could and could not do to give all citizens a right to respond accordingly.

City Manager Snipes thanked everyone who came out Friday for the Black History Month Kickoff event and noted they had a wonderful turnout; he recognized the Parks and Recreation Department who hosted another successful Dad and Daughter dance; he stated that in partnership with Missouri City Green, they held a successful Electronic Recycling event; he noted the City recently hosted a number of input sessions with residents about StaMo Park; he thanked all the residents who attended the METRO meeting; and, he noted there would be an increase in construction throughout the City, specifically Cartwright Rd and Texas Parkway.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- (a) Consider approving the minutes of the special and regular City Council meetings of January 21, 2020.
- (b) Consider an ordinance amending Chapter 82 of the Missouri City Code; amending regulations relating to the subdivision of property; amending regulations relating to the approval, disapproval, and approval with conditions of plats, plans, and related applications; providing a penalty; and consider a related ordinance on the second and final reading.
- (c) Consider amending the minutes of the special City Council meeting of January 4, 2020.

Councilmember Boney moved to approve the Consent Agenda pursuant to recommendations by City Staff. Councilmember Sterling seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

There were no **Zoning Public Hearings and Ordinances, Public Hearings and related actions, or APPOINTMENTS.**

**9. AUTHORIZATIONS**

- (a) Consider authorizing the execution of a contract for temporary labor services.

Councilmember Emery moved to authorize the execution of a contract for temporary labor services. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10. ORDINANCES**

- (a) Consider an ordinance providing for a special election to be held on May 2, 2020, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Missouri City a proposition providing for or against the adoption of the fire fighters' and police officers' civil service law; providing for a joint election on May 2, 2020, with other entities contracting with Fort Bend County for such joint election; providing for election precincts and polling places; providing for repeal; providing for severability; and consider the ordinance on the first and final reading.

City Secretary Jackson certified the petition received pertaining to the adoption of a proposition providing for or against the adoption of the fire fighters' and police officers' civil service law as follows:

- 1,903 number of persons found on the petition who are qualified to vote
- 1,307 number of persons found on the petition who are not qualified to vote
- 3,210 number of persons found on the petition

During the November 5, 2019 general election, 7,981 qualified voters voted in the election. The number of persons found on the petition who were qualified to vote must be greater than or equal to 798, 10 percent of the November 5, 2019 qualified voters. As such, the petition received met the requirements outlined by state law.

Councilmember Maroulis moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilmember Emery seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- (b) Consider an ordinance amending the general budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019, and ending September 30, 2020; transferring various appropriations among accounts; appropriating supplemental revenue to various fund accounts; authorizing the appropriate city officials to take steps necessary to accomplish such transfers; making certain findings; containing certain provisions relating to the subject; and consider the ordinance on the first and final reading.

Director of Financial Services Portis presented an overview on the first budget amendment for fiscal year 2020. Mayor Ford asked if there was another way to do budget amendments as it seemed too many were being done. City Manager Snipes stated it had been requested that amendments be presented in this detailed format.

Councilmember Boney moved to adopt the ordinance. Councilmember Maroulis seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

There were no **RESOLUTIONS.**

## **12. CITY COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Edwards thanked staff who contributed to the success of the Black History Month kickoff celebration; and, reminded residents to register for park clean up on February 22. Councilmember Boney thanked staff for a wonderful job with the Black History Month kickoff celebration; highlighted the Forward Times newspaper who celebrated 60 years; and, acknowledged the Black Press of America who provided information for the past 193 years and the National Newspapers Publishers who celebrated 80 years. Councilmember Maroulis thanked Missouri City Green for their recycling event, the Fire and Rescue Services Department for the wipe down ceremony for Fire Station No. 4, and the Parks and Recreation Department for the Dad and Daughter dance. Councilmember Sterling thanked the Fire and Rescue Services Department for the wipe down ceremony for Fire Station No. 4, Missouri City Green for their recycling event, and staff for the Black History Month kickoff celebration.

## **13. ADJOURN**

The regular City Council meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes PASSED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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Maria Jackson, City Secretary