# REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL July 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.077

In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, the City of Lone Star issues this public notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the board will convene in such executive or closed session in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code, Et Seq. The City Council will consider and act on the following items:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

# MINUTES

Present were Mayor Randy Hodges, Aldermen Mona Brown, Lynn Cox, Ryan Harte and Keith Reiter and City Secretary Devon Whatley. Absent was Mayor Pro Tem Jerri Chism.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Randy Hodges
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Invocation led by Alderman Lynn Cox Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Randy Hodges
- 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS: No citizen comments were made.

# 4. CONSENT ITEMS:

A. Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting on June 15, 2017.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Lynn Cox to approve the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting on June 15, 2017. All present voted aye.

# 5. REPORTS:

- 5-1: Judge/Court Report
- 5-2: Police Department Report
- 5-3: Fire Chief Report
- 5-4: Fire Marshall Report
- 5-5: Public Works Report
- 5-6: NETWD Director's Report
- 5-7: Economic Development Corporation Minutes and Financial Report
- 5-8: Financial Reports
  - a. Water and Sewer Fund
  - b. General Fund

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter to approve reports 5-1 through 5-8(b), as presented. All present voted aye. Alderman Brown expressed her appreciation of Kenny Taylor's Ordinance reports.

#### 6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

6-1: Review, Discussion and Possible Action to consider information presented by Cody Wommack concerning possible uses for the Lone Star Elementary property.

Cody Wommack expressed his interest in using the Lone Star Elementary property as a charter school. Mr. Wommack proposed to pursue a charter from the State of Texas, with an agreement from the Council that if a charter is obtained that he be able to use the Lone Star Elementary property for a lease of \$1.00 per year or sell it to him as a non-profit and 50% of the Economic Development Corporation's funds. Mr. Wommack asked that the sale of the Lone Star Elementary property be suspended until such time as he does or does not receive a charter. If the charter is received, he would be responsible for any construction/remodeling of the property.

A motion was made by Lynn Cox and second by Mona Brown to postpone this matter until such time as a walk-thru of the property could be done. All present voted aye.

6-2: Review, Discussion and Possible Action to approve a Loan Resolution, authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, improving, and/or extending its City facility to serve an area lawfully within its jurisdiction to serve.

#### A motion was made by Keith Reiter and second by Mona Brown to place this item on the August agenda. All present voted aye.

6-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council concerning amending Ordinance 205-D Regulating the Keeping of Animals and Fowl Within the City of Lone Star to allow <u>all fowl</u>, not just chickens. Draft language of a proposed amendment will be considered.

# A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter to amend Ordinance 205-D to include all water fowl (with no gender restriction). All present voted aye.

6-4: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council concerning the adoption of Ordinance 280 "Right-of-Way Management." Draft language of a proposed Ordinance will be considered.

# A motion was made by Lynn Cox and second by Mona Brown to adopt Ordinance 280 "Right-of-Way Management." All present voted aye.

6-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to approve an Economic Development Board expenditure in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Ash+Lime for the preparation of an Initial Assessment to provide recommendations to help the City take the proper steps to grow the economy of the City.

Economic Development Board Chairman Mitch Cox spoke about the proposal prepared by Ash+Lime. A motion was made by Keith Reiter and second by Lynn

Cox to approve the expenditure of \$3,000.00. Voting "aye" were Keith Reiter, Mona Brown and Lynn Cox. Ryan Harte abstained from voting.

6-6: Review, Discussion and Possible Action to dissolve the Economic Development Board.

Alderman Ryan Harte took issue with the expenditures of the Economic Development Board, but stated that since the voters of Lone Star elected to have an Economic Development Board and tax, he would not stand in the way. Alderman Keith Reiter suggested that the Economic Development Board and tax be placed on the ballot every five years.

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Keith Reiter to retain the Economic Development Board. All present voted aye.

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** City Council to convene into executive session for the following issues:

7-1: To discuss the setting of a minimum bid for the sale of the Lone Star Elementary property (TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. § 551.072). The council will then reconvene in open session for review, discussion, and possible action on this matter.

A motion was made by Keith Reiter and second by Mona Brown to set the minimum bid for the sale of the Lone Star Elementary property at \$45,000.00, but not move forward with the sale until further action of the Council on or before the January 2018 meeting. All present voted aye.

# 8. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mona Brown and second by Lynn Cox to adjourn. All present voted aye.

<u>/s/ Devon N. Whatley</u> Devon N. Whatley, City Secretary <u>/s/ Randy Hodges</u> Randy Hodges, Mayor