

Thursday November 17, 2022 Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas met in regular session at the City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jason Moran Council Members: Mike Stephens, Jonathan Torres, Josh
Tennison

Absent: Brantly Robertson, Tracy Grantham

Call to Order, Quorum Determined, Meeting Declared Open at 6:30 PM

Citizen Comments

Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes - October 11, 2022 & October 20, 2022
- B. Municipal Court Report
- C. Financial Report

Motion by council member Mike Stephens to approve of the consent agenda. Seconded by council member Joshua Tennison. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

Regular Agenda:

- A. Awarding Property Abatement Bids

Discussion: 15 properties were ready to be abated and submitted to a third-party contractor to place bids to clean the properties and make them compliant with the Nuisance Ordinance. 1 bid was submitted for all properties. City Secretary Amanda Mendoza informed council that they did not have to approve all properties, they could prioritize specific properties if they so choose.

Motion by council member Jonathan Torres to table this item until all of council is present to discuss further. With no second, motion will not be considered.

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve all bids submitted by Cross Cuts Landscaping LLC. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

- B. Customer Water Leak- Requesting Financial Aid

Discussion: Customer had a significant leak while they were away on holiday. Would like to request for financial assistance regarding the large water bill.

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to allow the customer to set up a payment arrangement for the large water bill with the office. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

- C. Citizen Request of Ordinance

Discussion: Business Owner of the Water and Ice Dispenser would like to request for an ordinance prohibiting camping on private property, or an ordinance prohibiting a property owner to reside on a property without structures or utilities. Business owner has claimed hardship from the neighbor's presence, stating that their sales are decreasing due to customers feeling unsafe. No reports for any disturbances have been made to the City of Robert Lee or the Coke County Sheriff's office per Chief Deputy Billy Williams who was present at the meeting. Council would like to postpone the item for more information regarding how other cities handle similar situations.

- D. EDC-B Demo Projects

Discussion: 3 properties have been presented to EDC for consideration of demolition of the dilapidated structures: 612 E. 6th Street, 614 E. 6th Street, and 318 E. 1st Street.

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the demolition project for the 3 properties presented. Seconded by council member Jonathan Torres. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

- E. EDC-B Project- Shindig Event

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Motion by council member Jonathan Torres to approve of the reimbursement from EDC to the Shindig for the Bounce Houses. Seconded by council member Joshua Tennison Vote 3-0, motion carries.

F. EDC Type B 2022-2023 Budget

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the EDC B 2022-2023 Budget. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

G. 12-22 - Water Taps & Rates - 2nd Reading

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the 2nd reading of Ordinance 12-22, Water Rates and Taps. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

H. 13-22 - Animal & Livestock Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Motion by council member Mike Stephens to approve of the 2nd reading of Ordinance 13-22, Animal and Livestock Ordinance. Seconded by council member Joshua Tennison. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

I. 14-22 - EDC Type A & B Bylaws - 1st Reading

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the first reading of Ordinance 14-22, EDC A & B Bylaws. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

J. 15-22 - Sanitation Rates - 1st Reading

Discussion: The following rates have been added to the Sanitation Ordinance: 4-yard container, 2 times a week pickup. All rates have been increased to a flat percentage
Motion by council member Mike Stephens to approve of the 1st reading of Ordinance 15-22 Sanitation rates. Seconded by council member Jonathan Torres. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

K. 2023 Annual Holiday Schedule

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the 2023 Annual Holiday Schedule. Seconded by council member Jonathan Torres. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

L. Social Media & Digital Media

Discussion: If a local government chooses to have a social media, they are required to archive their posts and have a Social Media Policy. Archiving can be archived in house, or through a 3 party that will archive all posts and comments on those posts for easy access for PIA requests.

Motion by council member Mike Stephens to table this item for more information regarding different archiving software. Seconded by council member Joshua Tennison. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

M. Physicals for Pre-Employment

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to allow office staff to look into the best places to get preemployment physicals done. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

N. FSA Committee Election Ballot

FSA Committee Ballet – Donna Waldrop

Council member Joshua Tennison – Yes

Council member Jonathan Torres – Yes

Council member Mike Stephens – Yes

O. 3rd Party Abatement General Contract

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to approve of the General Contract for Third Party abatement. Seconded by council member Mike Stephens. Vote 3-0, motion carries.

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Reports

Mayor

a. TML Claim – Water Tower Repair

Elevated water tower claim for insurance reimbursement was denied. The City will be applying for a grant to see if the repairs will be covered by the USDA grant.

Part-time ACO hired and started.

Interview with Candidate for City Superintendent went well, he seems interested in the position.

Secretary

Superintendent

Operators Report

50 work orders completed, 12 poly deliveries and removal, 18 water disconnects due to nonpayment. 1 minor leak repaired, 0 major leaks, 1 sewer stop cleared, 3 line locates completed. Next projects for the Public Works department include road repairs (weather permitting), winterizing facilities and hanging up Christmas lights.

Request of Future Agenda Items

Citizen Request for Ordinance

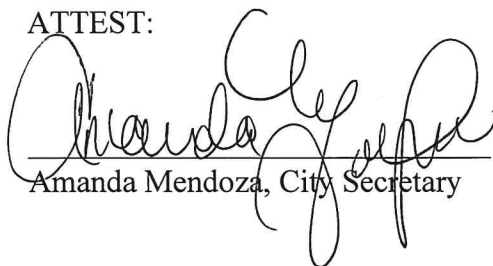
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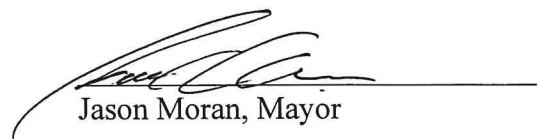
Street Signs Project

Adjournment

Motion by council member Joshua Tennison to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting at 8:01 PM. Seconded by council member Jonathan Torres. Vote 3-0, motion carries, meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:


Amanda Mendoza, City Secretary


Jason Moran, Mayor