

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 2, 2016

1. **Call to order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Bert Echterling.
2. **Invocation.** Jimmy Rogers provided the Invocation.
3. **Roll Call.** Councilmembers present: Jimmy Rogers, Vernon Leuschner, Bert Echterling, Jim Mastergeorge, and Steve Janics. Councilmembers Jeremy Stivener and Doye Baker were absent.
4. **Approve Minutes from: July 5, 2016 and July 18, 2016:** Steve Janics motioned to approve the minutes from the July 5, 2016, and July 18, 2016 meetings as written. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Citizen Comments.** Sue Loth, 455 Pompano Park, Robinson, Texas 76706, spoke regarding the upcoming General Election, and possible town hall meeting; Randy Vasser, 233 Peevey Lane, Robinson, Texas 76706, spoke regarding street conditions; and Linda Vaughn with the Greater Robinson Chamber of Commerce, reminded Council of the First Responder Reception taking place on Thursday, August 4, 2016, at the Robinson Volunteer Fire Department.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING: Conduct a public hearing and consider possible action regarding a zoning change from R-1, Single Family Residential to 2F located at 110 W Karnes.** The Public Hearing was open at 6:09 PM. Barry Lightfoot, Interim Planning Director, addressed the Council, and provided a brief overview of the zoning change. Mr. Lightfoot noted the Planning and Zoning Commission met on June 19, 2016, and recommended approval by a vote of 4-0. Mike Sanders, 981 Peevey Lane, Robinson, Texas 76706, who is a current member of the Planning and Zoning Commission apologized to Mr. Sweeney for the delay, and recommended approval. Tad Sweeney, 264 E Central, Lorena, Texas 76655, stated he was available for questions, and respectfully requested approval. James Tillery, 901 Cindy, Robinson, Texas 76706, voiced concerns regarding the intended use of the property and requested denial of the zoning change. After no additional comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:15 p.m. Following a brief discussion by Council, Vernon Leuschner motioned to approve the zoning change from R-1 to 2F as presented. Jimmy Rogers seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
7. **PUBLIC HEARING: Conduct a public hearing and consider possible action regarding a zoning change from R-1, Single Family Residential to SF-2 located at 807 N Old Robinson Road.** Councilmember Vernon Leuschner recused himself from this item and exited the room. The Public Hearing was open at 6:42 PM. Barry Lightfoot, Interim Planning Director, addressed the Council, and provided a brief overview of the zoning change. Mr. Lightfoot noted the Planning and Zoning Commission met on June 19, 2016, and recommended approval by a vote of 4-0. Rusty Steed, 2781 Hillside Drive,

Robinson, Texas 76706, asked for clarification regarding SF-2. City Manager Craig Lemin stated the difference would be the lot size if approved. After no additional comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:45 p.m. Following a brief discussion by Council, Steve Janics motioned to approve the zoning change from R-1 to SF-2 as presented. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with 1 abstention.

- 8. Consider and possible action on agriculture agreement between the City of Robinson and Behnke Farms.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item and stated the City of Robinson's current lease agreement with Behnke Farms was set to expire on August 31, 2016. Mr. Lemin noted a new agriculture lease agreement was prepared showing changes to the site plan excluding previous property to allow for the construction of the off-channel reservoir. Following discussion, Jimmy Rogers motioned to approve the lease agreement as presented. Steve Janics seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Consider and possible action on proposal from Walker Partners for engineering services for the clearing and grubbing operations phase for off channel reservoir number 2.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item stating this proposal would allow for the initial work to begin construction for the off-channel reservoir. Jed Walker with Walker Partners provided an overview of the proposal to include the scope of services. Mr. Walker noted the deadline to begin work as required by TCEQ is August 18, 2016; therefore, stated an additional meeting awarding the bid would need to take place prior to this date. Mr. Walker stated bids would be received on August 11, 2016. Council agreed to call a Special Meeting on August 12, 2016 to award the bid in order to comply with the deadline. Following discussion, Jim Mastergeorge motioned to approve the proposal from Walker Partners as presented. Steve Janics seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Consider and possible action on Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Robinson, Texas and McLennan County, Texas for emergency services.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item and stated this Interlocal Agreement would allow for street repairs, obstruction removal, and related services when requested by the City. Following discussion, Jimmy Rogers motioned to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement as presented. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Conduct a vote by the City Council to place a proposal to adopt a tax rate of \$0.4995 on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, and call for two public hearings on a proposed tax rate to be held on Tuesday, August 30, 2016 and Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at Robinson City Hall, 111 W Lyndale Ave, Robinson, Texas 76706.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item and stated the proposed tax rate of \$0.4995 will exceed the effective tax rate requiring two public hearings. Following discussion, Steve

Janics motioned to place a proposal to adopt a tax rate of \$0.4995 on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, and call for two public hearings to be held on Tuesday, August 30, 2016 and Tuesday, September 6, 2016. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor: Rogers, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.

- 12. *Executive Session:*** A closed meeting will be held pursuant to *Section 551.071 of the Government Code (V.C.T.A.)* so that the City Council can seek and receive legal advice and counsel from its attorneys regarding pending or threatened litigation, settlement offers, claims, or other matters for which the attorneys' duties to their client under the Texas State Bar Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act (Ch.551, Gov. Code), including, but not limited to: *Thompson v City of Robinson*.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:19 PM and reconvened from Executive Session at 7:53 PM. No action taken.

- 13. Councilmember requests for items to be placed on future agendas.** None.

- 14. Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.