



City of Pattison

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City Council Meeting Minutes: August 4, 2020

I. Call Meeting to Order

A regular meeting of the Pattison City Council was called to order by Mayor Joe Garcia at 7:00 p.m. via videoconference.

Members Present:

Mayor Joe Garcia, Councilmember: Seth Stokes, Wayne Kircher, Robert MacCallum, Frank Cobio, Fred Branch

Also, Present: City Attorney, Lora Lenzsch; Deputy City Secretary, Lorene Hartfiel, Planning Commission Chair Rick MacDonald, Judge Ted Krenek, John Ginther.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Garcia lead the pledges.

III. Citizens Comments – No action can be taken:

None

IV. Council to approve agenda

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion for the Council to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Kircher made a motion that the agenda be approved as presented, seconded by Councilmember Cobio. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Declare Conflicts of Interest

None declared.

VI. Consent Agenda

Items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a councilmember requests one or more items to be removed from consent agenda for a separate discussion and action.

- A.** Consent and approval of Minutes from the July 7, 2020 meeting.
- B.** Consent and approval of the finance report for August 2020.
- C.** Consider and approval of checks paid and payables.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember MacCallum made the motion that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kircher. The motion passed unanimously.



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VII. Business

1. Council to discuss and take action on the two-year term reappointment of Municipal Court Judge Ted Krenek.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to reappoint Municipal Court Judge Ted Krenek to another two-year term. Councilmember MacCallum motioned to reappoint Municipal Court Judge Ted Krenek for another two-year term. Councilmember Kircher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. City Council to discuss and take action on **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATTISON, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT AN AGREEMENT TO HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) WITH INCORPORATED EXHIBITS FOR A GRANT PROJECT TO HOLD TIRE COLLECTION, HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND E-SCRAP COLLECTION EVENT FOR SOUTH WALLER COUNTY RESIDENTS; REPEALING ALL WRITTEN OR ORAL AGREEMENTS, INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT WITH THIS RESOLUTION.**

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to approve authorizing Mayor Garcia to execute and submit an agreement to Houston Galveston Area Council for a grant project to hold tire collection, household waste and e-scrap collection event for South Waller County residents; repealing all written or oral agreements, inconsistent or in conflict with this resolution. Councilmember Stokes motioned to approve this agreement. Councilmember Cobio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Council to discuss and take action to approve repairs of City Park fence.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to approve repairs of City Park fence. Councilmember MacCallum motioned to approve the repairs. Councilmember Kircher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Council to discuss and take action to determine the cost of an interlocal agreement with Waller County for slope mowing and street repairs.

Mayor Garcia discussed the conditions of overgrowth of trees and bushes along Ave J and would like to seek an interlocal agreement with Waller County for slope mowing and to seek the cost of fixing the streets. He also discussed the road conditions of Ave J, Ave I to 5th Street to 7th Street, Ave H to 5th Street to 7th Street. He estimates to cost to be about \$15,000.00. He is trying to resolve complaints of overgrowth of bushes and trees and the condition of the streets.



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Councilmember MacCallum asked for clarification if Waller County will repave the streets or just fix the potholes. Mayor Garcia would like to seek the cost of topping the streets. To fix the potholes he would like to contact Sealy Paving if the bid with the Waller County is too high.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion authorize permission to seek the cost for the street repairs and the interlocal agreement with Waller County for slope mowing. Councilmember Stokes motioned to authorize the Mayor to seek the cost of street repairs and the interlocal agreement with Waller County. Councilmember MacCallum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Council to discuss cleaning brush and cutting of trees on city right of ways.

Mayor Garcia discussed there are several trees that are overgrowing from citizens property on to the city right away making it difficult to drive safely and easily down some streets.

City Attorney Lenzsch discussed drafting an ordinance to address this problem, so the city will be able to hand out notices and will be able to take action if the problem is not addressed by the property owner.

Mayor Garcia discussed the tree that is to the north of the JP building that is dying. The city has received several bids ranging from \$3,000.00 to \$7,000.00.

Councilmember Stokes is concerned about how it will be determined regarding who does the trimming, the property owner, or the city if the growth is over the property line. City Attorney Lenzsch stated that it is the property owner's responsibility and if they do not respond or it becomes a public nuisance, then the ordinance will give the city the power to take care of it.

Councilmember MacCallum asked if it would be a problem if the trees are posted online about being a problem. Mayor Garcia stated he would like to have a process in place with guidelines to help solve this issue.

This will be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

6. Council to discuss proposed City Hall.

Mayor Garcia has discussed this at length with City Attorney Lenzsch and with Judge Trey Duhon and with Waller County and are awaiting for further information from the County regarding if they will sell the building or lease it to The City of Pattison.

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7. Council to discuss and take action to contract with John Ginther for mowing City Park and lots.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to approve a contract with John Ginther for mowing City Park and lots. Councilmember Stokes asked about the cost. Mayor Garcia stated it will be the same cost as the previous mower and that John Ginther has insurance. Councilmember Stokes made a motion to approve the contract with John Ginther for mowing City Park and lots. Councilmember MacCallum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Council to discuss Waller County Appraisal District Certified Tax Rolls and budget timeline.

Mayor Garcia stated that he recommends that the city wait until next year to propose a city tax, because of the pandemic. Councilmember Kircher agreed with the recommendation regarding the city tax. Councilmember MacCallum stated that he wants the citizens to understand the reason behind the streets not being repaired if there is not a city tax.

Councilmember Stokes stated that he thinks that the planning and research for the city tax still needs to continue and then to have implementation date set in place for next year, so that everything will be ready to go and no time will be lost. Councilmember Branch, Cobio, Kircher all agreed.

This will be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

9. Council to discuss and take action to determine cost of interlocal agreement with Waller County Fire Marshall for commercial building plan reviews, fire suppression, occupancy permits and other services.

Mayor Garcia sought a motion to get a proposal of the cost of an interlocal agreement with Waller County Fire Marshall for commercial building plan reviews, fire suppression, occupancy, and other services. Councilmember Branch motioned authorize Mayor Garcia to seek a proposal for the cost of an interlocal agreement with Waller County Fire Marshall. Councilmember MacCallum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Mayor Garcia it to provide an update on the Waller County Interlocal Agreement on the Durkin Road Project.

Mayor Garcia reported that Waller County has cleared some of the ditches starting from FM 359 and going north.



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- 11.** Council to discuss and take action on canceling National Night Out on October 6, 2020 and rescheduling October council meeting from October 13 to October 6, 2020.

Mayor Garcia asked for a motion to move the October meeting from October 13 back to October 6, 2020 because of the canceling of National Night Out on October 6, 2020.

Councilmember Kircher made the motion to move the council meeting back to October 6, 2020. Councilmember Cobio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 12.** Update on Community COVID 19 actions.

Mayor Garcia reported that on July 23, 2020 there was a testing site at Pattison Volunteer Fire Department. A total of 243 people were tested, 90 people tested positive. (37% positivity rate).

Councilmember Stokes asked for a correction to the flyer. The flyer has a Brookshire address and not a Pattison address.

- 13.** Report from the City Secretary on permits, website, and other activities.

The Deputy City Secretary reported another busy month with permitting. An update was also given regarding the street and stop signs that need to be replaced or added.

- 14.** Request from council for future agenda items and upcoming community events.

- a. Ordinance to charge for cut/trim on the right of way
- b. Revised Subdivision Ordinance
- c. Budget
- d. Street signs
- e. ETJ boundaries.

VIII. Executive Session

Executive Session was called to order at 7:55 p.m.

1. City Council will meet in Executive Session authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 418 Disclosure of Certain Confidential information and Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.
2. City Council to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Chapter 551, Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

IX. Reconvene

Take action on items discussed in executive session.

No action was taken.



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X. Adjourn meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Mayor, Joe Garcia

Attest:

Deputy City Secretary, Lorene Hartfiel