



**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
HITCHCOCK CITY COMMISSION
HITCHCOCK CITY HALL
7423 HIGHWAY 6, HITCHCOCK, TEXAS
JUNE 29, 2020, 6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order

Mayor Randy Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Members Present:

Mayor Randy Strickland	Kyle Dickson, Attorney
Commissioner Mary Combs Demby	Marie Gelles, City Administrator
Commissioner Chris Armacost (By phone)	Nicholle Andrus, City Secretary
Commissioner Wayne Newton	
Commissioner Mark Cook	

2. Invocation

Invocation by Sam Collins.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizen Comments:

Sam Collins discussed the Downtown Revitalization Grant and the City of Hitchcock Comprehensive Plan. He suggested the City review the Comprehensive Plan every few months to ensure that available grants are being used for City projects.

Clay Burton discussed the increase in COVID-19 cases and to encourage and inspire the City that we are resilient and will get through this.

PLEASE NOTE: Public comments and matters from the floor are limited to 3 minutes in length. If you would like to request to speak, please do so in advance of the meeting by filling out a Request to Address Commission form. All in attendance are required to remove hats and/or sunglasses (dark glasses) during meetings and to also silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

Speakers must address their comments to the presiding officer rather than to individual commissioners or staff. Speakers will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to speak. Speakers making personal, impertinent, profane, or slanderous remarks will be given a warning before losing the privilege to speak or may be removed from the room. Unauthorized remarks from the audience, stamping of feet, whistles, yells, and similar demonstrations/distractions will not be permitted. No placards, banners or signs will be

permitted in the Chambers or in any room in which the Commission is meeting. In accordance with the Texas State Open Meetings Act, the City Commission is restricted from discussing or taking action on items not listed on the agenda.

As authorized by Section 551.042 of the Texas Government Code, the Presiding Officer may direct a City Official to make a statement of specific factual information in response to an inquiry made by a member of the public or the City Commission or a recitation of existing policy in response.

Items for Individual Consideration:

- 5. Discussion and appropriate action approving the modification of Attachment A to the Interlocal Agreement between Galveston County and the City of Hitchcock for Magistration Services.**

Marie Gelles discussed this is a standard item done annually to update the list for magistration services.

Commissioner Mary Combs Demby made the motion to accept the modification of Attachment A to the Interlocal Agreement between Galveston County and the City of Hitchcock. Commissioner Wayne Newton seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- 6. Approval of the purchase of a 15' Modern Predator Flex Wing Mower 540 RPM and Kubota M7060HDC Utility Cab 4-wheel drive cab tractor in the amount of \$60,563.45.**

Marie Gelles discussed this item was approved at the last meeting. The price has increased \$212.00 to add wider tires and a metal undercarriage.

Commissioner Wayne Newton made the motion to approve the purchase of the 15' Modern Predator Flex Wing Mower 540 RPM and Kubota M7060HDC Utility Cab 4-wheel drive cab tractor in the amount of \$60,563.45. Commissioner Mary Combs Demby seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- 7. Approval of a final Subdivision Plat for the Oaks of Hitchcock development located in the 6200 block of FM 2004 and Highway 6, Case No. P-2020-03.**

Jason Stewart discussed and answered questions regarding this project.

Commissioner Wayne Newton made the motion to approve the final subdivision plat for the Oaks of Hitchcock development located in the 6200 block of FM 2004 and Highway 6. Commissioner Mary Combs Demby seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

- 8. Approval of a final plat request by Cathy Fontenot located in the 6600 block of Avenue C ½, property ID # 193993, Case No. P-2020-04.**

Joe Wood discussed the request and answered questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Wayne Newton made the motion to approve the final plat request by Cathy Fontenot located in the 6600 block of Avenue C ½. Commissioner Mark Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

9. Approval of a re-plat for property located at 17 Ramrod, requested by David Dunn, property ID # 424382. Case No. P-2020-05.

Joe Wood discussed the request and answered questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Wayne Newton made the motion to approve the re-plat for property located at 17 Ramrod, requested by David Dunn. Commissioner Mary Combs Demby seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

10. Presentation and discussion regarding the refinancing of the 2006 Tax & Revenue Certificates of Obligations (USDA Waterline Project).

Jim Niederle, Financial Advisor, discussed and answered questions from the Commission.

11. Consider and appropriate action by the City Commission appointing Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP as bond counsel; delegating the authority to the Mayor or the City Administrator of the City to execute certain documents relating to the engagement of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP; and other matters in connection therewith.

Jim Niederle and Marie Gelles discussed the need to hire bond council and recommended Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP.

Mayor Randy Strickland made the motion to hire Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP as bond council. Commissioner Mark Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

12. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance by the City Commission of the City of Hitchcock, Texas authorizing the issuance of “City of Hitchcock, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020”; and others matters incident and related thereto.

Marie Gelles discussed and answered questions from the Commission.

Mayor Randy Strickland made the motion to approve the Ordinance authorizing the issuance of City of Hitchcock, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020. Commissioner Wayne Newton seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

13. Approval of a Resolution authorizing professional service provider selection for Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Programs through the Texas General Land Office (GLO).

Received three proposals. Recommendation is for Grant Works.

Commissioner Mark Cook made a motion to approve Grant Works as professional service provider for Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Programs through the Texas General Land Office (GLO). Commissioner Wayne Newton seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

14. Approval of a Resolution authorizing the award of a professional service provider Contract for the 2020 Texas Capital Fund Downtown Revitalization Program of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program funded and administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Fred Welch with the EDC discussed and answered questions by the Commission.

Commissioner Mark Cook made the motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the award of a professional service provider contract for the 2020 Texas Capital Fund Downtown Revitalization Program of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program funded and administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

15. Discussion and appropriation action approving an Interlocal Agreement for transfer of Cares Act Funding between Galveston County and the City of Hitchcock.

Mayor Randy Stricklind discussed the CARES Act in relation to the COVID-19.

Mayor Randy Stricklind made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement for transfer of CARES Act funding between Galveston County and the City of Hitchcock. Commissioner Mary Combs Demby seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

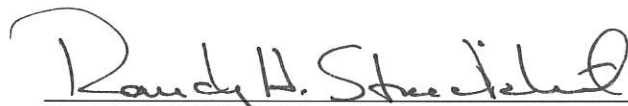
16. Executive Session: None.

17. Announcements: None.

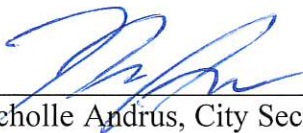
18. Adjourn.

Commissioner Wayne Newton made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mark Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.



Randy Stricklind, Mayor



Nicholle Andrus, City Secretary