



CITY OF ROWLETT CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

Our Vision: A well-planned lakeside community of quality neighborhoods, distinctive amenities, diverse employment, and cultural charm. Rowlett: THE place to live, work and play.

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

6:00 P.M.

Municipal Building

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Due to the public health emergency and to conform with the social distancing requirements, the City Council meetings will be held via teleconferencing. The public can view live on the City's website (<https://www.ci.rowlett.tx.us/397/Streaming-Video>) or via RTN16.

Present (Remotely): Mayor Dana-Bashian, Mayor Pro Tem Grubisich, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Bell, Councilmember Margolis, Councilmember Sherrill, Councilmember Laning and Councilmember Brown

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dana-Bashian called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 2A.** The City Council shall convene into executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.074 (Personnel) to deliberate on the evaluation and duties of the City Manager. (30 minutes) **THIS ITEM WILL BE DISCUSSED FOLLOWING THE REGULAR SESSION.**

In Executive Session at 8:03 a.m. Out at 9:16 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION (6:00 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate.

- 3A.** Discuss COVID19 related budget adjustments and plans to restart certain initiative and projects. (45 minutes)
- 3B.** Update City Council on the amended Regulating Plan for Homestead at Liberty Grove, which includes revisions to the phasing sequence, amendments to the lot type and quantity distributions, and reallocates open spaces, blocks, and streets. (30 minutes)

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

After a short break, Council reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION – Councilmember Brown

CONVENE REGULAR SESSION (7:30 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Presentation of proclamation recognizing the week of August 23 – 29, 2020 as “Women’s Suffrage and Equality Week” in the City of Rowlett.

Mayor Dana-Bashian virtually presented the proclamation to Rowlett Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Commission members Diana Moore and Alena Shelbia.

- 5B.** Hear presentation for Comprehensive Monthly Financial Report (CMFR) for the period ending June 30, 2020.

Wendy Badgett, Director of Finance, presented the report.

- 5C.** Hear presentation on the third quarter investment report for June 30, 2020.

Robert Cone, Budget Officer, presented the report.

- 5D.** Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

City Manager Brian Funderburk announced the upcoming Special Council meetings for August 24th and August 27th; as well as the public hearing scheduled for September 14th.

6. CITIZENS’ INPUT

No comments were received for Citizens’ Input.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7A. Approving minutes.**

Consider action to approve minutes from the following City Council meetings: August 4, 2020 Regular Meeting and the August 10, 2020 Special Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 7B. Consider a resolution to donate protective gear.**

Consider action to approve a resolution declaring the Fire Department’s expired structural firefighting protective gear as salvage and donating it to the City of Arlington, Texas for transport to and use by various Fire Departments in Mexico.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-099-20.

- 7C. Consider a resolution for alley reconstruction.**

Consider action to approve a resolution accepting the bid of and awarding a contract to Texas Civil Construction in the amount of \$587,493, with a ten percent (10%) contingency amount of \$58,749, and up to \$15,000 for an early completion bonus, resulting in a total project budget of \$661,242 for alley reconstruction between Acapulco Way and Jessica Drive, and between Maui Lane and the drainage channel, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents for said services.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-100-20.

7D. Consider a resolution for accepting voting equipment.

Consider a resolution authorizing Dallas County Elections Department to provide election services and approved voting system equipment for elections held by the City of Rowlett.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda as RES-101-20.

7E. Consider an election services contract.

Consider approving a Joint Election Contract with the Dallas County Elections Administrator for the General Election for City Council to be held on November 3, 2020, which was postponed from May due to the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

7F. Consider board and commission appointments.

Consider action to approve appointments to the Rowlett Youth Advisory Council.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Grubisich, including all the preceding item(s) marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

8. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8A. Allow public comments on the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2021.

Robert Cone, Budget Officer, presented this item.

The public comment opened with no speakers.

8B. Conduct a public hearing (1st) on the ad valorem tax rate for Fiscal Year 2021.

Robert Cone, Budget Officer, presented this item.

The public hearing opened and closed with no speakers.

Council reconvened into Executive Session at 8:03 p.m.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

There was no action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.