



City of Arcola

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcola, County of Fort Bend, State of Texas, held on Tuesday, May 25, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at: Arcola City Hall, Room 124; 13222 Highway 6; Arcola, Texas 77583 for the purpose of considering the following items. The City Council of the City of Arcola, Texas, reserves the right to meet in closed session on any of the below items should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Fred A. Burton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson gave the Invocation
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Council Member Greg Abarr led the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.
- IV. **ROLL CALL: Mayor Fred A. Burton, Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson, Council Members Evelyn Jones, Ebony Sanco, Greg Abarr and Rosie Rojas.** All members of Council were present. Also, present were City Attorney Brandon Morris and standing in City Secretary Sandy Herrera.
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

GENERAL COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE. Citizens who desire to address the City Council with comments of a general nature will be received at this time. The total amount of time that a member of the public may address the City Council is limited to three (3) minutes, provided that any member of the public who addresses the City Council through a translator is limited to six (6) minutes. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council is restricted from discussing or taking any action on items not listed on the agenda. It is our policy to have all speakers identify themselves by providing their name and residential address when making comments. None

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE FOR CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA ITEM Citizens who desire to address the City Council, with regard to matters on the Consent Agenda or Regular Agenda will be received either at this time or, if they state at this time that they elect to do so, during the City Council's consideration of the item. The total amount of time that a member of the public may address the City Council on a given item is limited to three (3) minutes, provided that any member of the public who addresses the City Council on a given item through a translator is limited to six (6) minutes. Comments or discussion by the City Council Members will only be made at the time the agenda item is scheduled for consideration. It is our policy to have all speakers identify themselves by providing their name and residential address when making comments. City Council heard comments from Nino Corbett.
- VI. **PUBLIC HEARINGS: None**
- VII. **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson, Council Member Evelyn Jones, Council Member Ebony Sanco, Council Member Greg Abarr, Council Member Rosie Rojas.** None
- VIII. **CONSENT AGENDA: None**
- IX. **REGULAR AGENDA:**
 - A. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action—Fort Bend Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 Memorandum of Understanding for additional water connections for the City of Arcola.**

City Attorney Brandon Morris laid out a memorandum of understanding giving two options on how to get the 125 water connections the City needs. **Option A**, the district provides the water connections on a temporary basis. This is just a memorandum of understanding and it is not the formal agreement. It is laying the groundwork for what the agreement is going to be. If the city contracts with the district to get the water connections on a temporary basis, it provides that the City pay a monthly capacity reserve charge and additional operation expenses that would be for the booster pump capacity to be able to do this. There would also be some milestones attached related to the wastewater treatment plant and penalties because of the strain on the district's capacity. Option B is amending the emergency interconnect agreement. It would require an agreement between the City of Arcola, Fort Bend Freshwater Supply District No. 1, and Fort Bend Municipal Utility District 141. **Option B**, Fort Bend Municipal Utility District 141 would provide the temporary connections once their water plant is constructed. The only condition is that it would have to be reviewed by Fort Bend Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 and engineers.

City Council discussed the memorandum of understanding. After discussion, **Council Member Greg Abarr so moved** to approve the Memorandum of Understanding from Fort Bend Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 and continue to work with them to come up with a final agreement; **seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson**. All were in favor.

Aye: Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson, Ebony Sanco, Rosie Rojas

Nay: 0

Motion carried 5-0

B. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action—TIRZ Appointment, including joint board member between the City of Arcola, Texas and Fort Bend County, Texas. (Betty Hall)

Mr. Nino Corbett supports the City's recommendation to appoint Betty Hall as a joint board member for the TIRZ.

Council Member Rosie Rojas so moved to appoint Betty Hall as a joint board member for the TIRZ; **seconded by Council Member Ebony Sanco**. All were in favor.

Aye: Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson, Ebony Sanco, Rosie Rojas

Nay: 0

Motion carried 5-0

X. ADJOURNMENT.

Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson so moved to adjourn; **seconded by Council Member Evelyn Jones**. All were in favor.

Aye: Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson, Ebony Sanco, Rosie Rojas

Nay: 0

Motion carried 5-0