



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 16, 2023**, beginning at **6:00 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:** Council Member Rosemary Bigby called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
- II. **INVOCATION:** Council Member Evelyn Jones gave the Invocation.
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Council Member Ebony Sanco led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- IV. **ROLL CALL:** Council Member Evelyn Jones, Council Member Greg Abarr, Council Member Ebony Sanco and Council Member Rosemary Bigby were present. Mayor Fred A. Burton was absent. Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson was not present during roll call; she arrived at 6:07 p.m. Also present was City Administrator Dr. Annette Guajardo and City Secretary Sally Cantu.
- 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. The City Council heard comments from Dr. Veeda Williams regarding the Summer Program.

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.

- VI. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None
- VII. **CONSENT AGENDA:** None
- VIII. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

A. **Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action—City Election; including:**

1. **Ordinance No. 2023-05-16; AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION; AND CONTAINING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT.**

Council Member Greg Abarr moved to approve Ordinance No.2023-05-16; AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING TH RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION; AND CONTAINING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; **seconded by Council Member Evelyn Jones.** All were in favor.

Aye: Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson and Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Ebony Sanco, Rosemary Bigby
Nay: 0

Motion carried. 5-0

2. **Certificates of Election; and.**
Certificates of Election were issued to Greg Abarr, Evelyn Jones, and Ebony Sanco.
3. **Written statements of elected officers; and**
Greg Abarr, Evelyn Jones, and Ebony Sanco signed their Statement of Elected Officer.
4. **Oaths and installation of officers and related matters.**
City Secretary Sally Cantu administered the Oath of Office to newly elected officers Council Member Greg Abarr, Council Member Evelyn Jones, and Council Member Ebony Sanco.

B. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action—Elect a Mayor Pro-Tem for the City of Arcola.

Council Member Greg Abarr moved to appoint Council Member Florence A. Jackson as Mayor Pro-Tem for the City of Arcola; **seconded by Council Member Evelyn Jones.** All were in favor.

Aye: Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson and Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Ebony Sanco, Rosemary Bigby

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 5-0

C. ADJOURNMENT.

Council Member Evelyn Jones moved to adjourn at 6:19 p.m.; **seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson.** All were in favor.

Aye: Mayor Pro-Tem Florence Jackson and Council Members Evelyn Jones, Greg Abarr, Ebony Sanco, Rosemary Bigby

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 5-0