



CITY OF ARCOLA

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MINUTES

Arcola City Hall
13222 Highway 6
Arcola, Texas 77583

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 08, 2024

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6:00 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Veeda V. Williams

Mayor Veeda Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Council Member Rosemary Bigby

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Florence Jackson

ROLL CALL

Mayor, Council Members and Administration

QUORUM PRESENT

City Council Members that were present.

Council Member E. Jones; Council Member R. Bigby; Council Member G. Abarr; Council Member Florence Jackson; Mayor Veeda V. Williams

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem E. Sanco

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

GENERAL 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.

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)

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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.

The following members of the public addressed the Council.

- 1) Rodrigo Carreon, 1122 Avenue C
- 2) Fred Burton, 204 Texas Ave.

II. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 551.0415 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council of the City of Arcola may receive reports about items of community interest from City staff and/or a member of the City Council, but no action or possible action shall be taken or discussed concerning the subject of such report, except as provided by Section 551.042 of the Texas Government Code.

Mayor Veeda Williams, Council Member Evelyn Jones, Council Member Greg Abarr, Council Member Florence Jackson, Mayor Pro-Tem Ebony Sanco, and Council Member Rosemary Bigby.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- A. Consideration of and Action on the approval of the minutes of the regular and special meetings of September 10, 2024, September 17, 2024 and September 24, 2024. *Ingrid Flornoy, City Secretary*

A motion to **Approve**, Items III-A is a Consent Agenda item listed is considered to be routine by the City Council and was enacted by one motion made by Council Member E. Jones, and seconded by Council Member G. Abarr, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, and Council Member F. Jackson.

Absent: Mayor Pro- Tem E. Sanco

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 4-0

IV. PRESENTATIONS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- A. Cultural Festival, Veterans Celebration and related items. *Mayor Williams*

Mayor Williams gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from

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the City Council.

B. September 2024 Permit Monthly Report. *Lyneshia Garrette, Permit Manager*

No presentation was made, but the monthly report was given to all council members.

B. City Engineer Report. *Llarance Turner, Kaluza, Inc.*

Llarance Turner, Kaluza, Inc., gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from the City Council.

C. Police Update. *Police Chief Carr- Bryant*

Police Chief Carr-Bryant gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from the City Council.

V. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Discussion, Consideration of and Possible Action on the September 2024 Municipal Operations and Consulting (MOC) report. *Roland Leal, MOC Area Manager Operations*

Mr. Roland Leal, Area Manager Operations, gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from the City Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item V-A: The approval of the September 2024 Municipal Operations and Consulting (MOC) report was made by Council Member G. Abarr, and seconded by Council Member E. Jones, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, and Council Member F. Jackson

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem E. Sanco.

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 4-0

B. Discussion, Consideration of and Possible Action authorizing Municipal Operations and Consulting (MOC) to put in a sewer line extension at 207 Manor not to exceed the amount of \$13,000.00 (Enterprise Fund). *Roland Leal, MOC Area Manager Operations*

Mr. Roland Leal, asked that this item be tabled and for the customer to pay for the sew line extension and that he would speak to the customer further about it.

A motion to **Table**, Item V-B: The approval to table was made by Council Member G. Abarr, and seconded by Council Member E. Jones, the motion **Passed**.

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Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, and Council Member F. Jackson

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem E. Sanco.

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 4-0

VI. PLANS, PLATS AND PERMITS

VII. CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

- A.** Discussion, Consideration of and Possible Action to approve for the City Council of the City of Arcola, Texas, to enter into an annual contract with **Laserfiche** for the use of Laserfiche 12 software/platform for the records management system, not to exceed the amount of \$3,500.00 (General Fund). ***Dr. Annette Goldberg, City Administrator***

Dr. Annette Goldberg, City Administrator, gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from the City Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item VII-A: The approval of the City Council of the City of Arcola, Texas, to enter into an annual contract with **Laserfiche** for the use of Laserfiche 12 software/platform for the records management system, not to exceed the amount of \$3,500.00 (General Fund). was made by Council Member G. Abarr, and seconded by Council Member R. Bigby, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, and Council Member F. Jackson

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem E. Sanco.

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 4-0

- B.** Discussion, Consideration of and Possible Action on A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCOLA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A MUNICIPAL JUDGE SERVICES AGREEMENT (General Fund). ***Dr. Annette Goldberg, City Administrator***

Dr. Annette Goldberg, City Administrator, gave a presentation, made comments and answered questions from the City Council.

A motion to **Approve**, Item VII-B: The approval on A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCOLA, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A MUNICIPAL JUDGE SERVICES AGREEMENT (General Fund) was made by Council Member R. Bigby, and seconded by Council Member E. Jones, the motion **Passed**.

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Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, and Council Member F. Jackson

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem E. Sanco.

Nay: 0

Motion carried. 4-0

VIII. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will convene into Closed Executive Session as authorized under Sections 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for:

IX. COUNCIL ADJOURNS CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENES INTO REGULAR SESSION

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 6:31p.m.

A motion to Approve, motion was made by Council R. Bigby, and seconded by Council Member E. Jones, the motion Passed.

Ayes: Council Member E. Jones, Council Member G. Abarr, Council Member R. Bigby, Council Member F. Jackson, and Mayor Williams.

Absent: Mayor Pro - Tem E. Sanco

Nays: 0

Motion carried: 4-0

Ingrid Flornoy, City Secretary

