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COUNTY OF RUNNELS §
CITY OF BALLINGER §

On the 21st day of November 2022, the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:36 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the Following member present:

Dawni Seymore Mayor

Richard "Rick" Mayor Pro-Tem

Ken Manley Councilmember Place # 1
Ryan Lange Councilmember Place # 3
Steve Gray Councilmember Place # 4

Staff Present:

Brian Frieda City Manager

John Pierik Assistant City Manager

Sharon Hicks City Attorney
Blaine Ross City Secretary

Cord Bowman Public Works Director Suzanne Torres Corporal, Police Officer

- 1. Call meeting to order: Mayor Seymore called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.
- 2. Prayer and Pledges: Councilmember Lange gave the invocation and lead the pledges.
- 3. Citizen Presentations for Items not on the Agenda.

Citizen Chad Hardy asked that when the new code enforcement officer assumes full time duty, that citizen requested are better tracked. Mr. Hardy also inquired about the petition he submitted on 9/26/2022, asking for the replacement of the current animal control officer.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items other than a Public Hearing:

None

5. Consent Agenda:

a. Approval of Minutes of the October 17, 2022 and November 7, 2022 meetings.

Councilmember Lange made a motion to approve both meetings minutes.

Councilmember Manley seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Regular Agenda Items for Discussion, Consideration and/or Action:

a. Resolution canvassing the election returns and approving the results of the General Election of November 8, 2022 for Single Member District Council Places 3 and 4.

City Secretary Ross read the Election Polling Location Tallies and the Results from the tallies, declaring winners as being:

Single Member District Place 3 - Ryan Lange.

Single Member District Place 4 - Steve Gray.

Councilmember Gray made a motion to approve the election results and the resolution accepting the tally and declaring the winners.

Councilmember Morrish seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

- Swearing in and Oaths of office for Councilmembers Place 3 and 4.
 City Secretary Ross lead the Swearing in and Oath of Office for Councilmembers Lange and Gray.
- c. Setting time and place for regular and special council meetings. City Manager Frieda recommended no change of location or time of regular or special council meetings. Councilmember Manley made a motion to approve the no change of location or time.

Councilmember Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- d. Setting the salaries for Mayor and councilmembers.
 City Manager Frieda recommended no change to salaries. Councilmember Manley made a motion to approve the no change in salaries for mayor or council members.
 Councilmember Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- e. Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.
 City Manager Frieda stated that this is required after every election.
 Councilmember Morrish stated that he would continue acting as Mayor Pro-Tem.
 Councilmember Lange made a motion to approve Morrish as the Mayor Pro-Tem.
 Councilmember Gray seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. City Manager's Report:

a. Economic Development Consultants meetings.

City Manager Frieda reported that Mayor Seymore had discussion at a recent conference with

GSLI, Global Site Location Industries, LLC of Dallas, TX., stating that he is interested in their guidance to stimulate economic growth within the City of Ballinger. A meeting is set on December 5, 2022 for a formal presentation by GSLI. City Manager Frieda stated that it would be financially advantageous to hire a company to oversee our economic development rather than fund and recruit someone to fill such a position within the city.

- Meetings concerning Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.
 Discussions with three companies have occurred to gain a better understanding of how charging stations work for potential customers.
- Meeting with engineers regarding water system improvements.
 A meeting with Enprotec Hibbs and Todd. They are moving to the next stage of following ARPA guidelines for the floating intakes at the lake.
- d. Public Works Update:

Discussion with TXDOT as to who is responsible for maintenance of Baker Street between Stripes and Pompa's Kitchen. Without coming to a conclusion of responsibility,

The City of Ballinger made necessary repairs to Baker Street. Meeting set with TXDOT on November 22, 2022 to discuss the city's local agreement. 14th and East Avenue repairs. Water line repairs at the intersection of highways 261 and 382, 3rd and Park have been completed.

- 8. Future Agenda Items: Update on Animal Control Personnel.
- **9. Executive Session:** Council Adjourned into Executive Session at 6:04 p.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code.
 - a. Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney
 - b. Section 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property
 - c. Section 551.074 Personnel Matters
- 10. Reconvene and take action if needed from Executive Session.

The council reconvened in open session at 6:28 p.m. No action taken

11. Adjourn:

Councilmember Morrish made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

Councilmember Manley seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Dawni Seymore

Mayor

ATTEST:

Blaine A. Ross City Secretary