



CITY OF CUERO

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 9, 2021

8/9/2021 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Announce A Quorum Is Present

Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Members present were Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Councilmembers Emil Garza, John Fuqua and Mitch Adams.

Councilmember Terry Glover arrived at 5:pm. Councilmembers Bill Matthys and Tony Allen were absent due to being out of town.

Staff Present were; City Manager Raymie Zella, Finance Director Connie Hawes, City Secretary Jennifer Zufelt, City Attorney James Crain, Deputy City Secretary Katelyn Corporon, Police Chief Jay Lewis, Main Street Manager Sandra Osman and Account manager Lisa Waterbury.

2. Invocation

City Attorney James Crain gave the invocation.

3. Pledge Of Allegiance

Councilmember Emil Garza let the pledges.

4. Public Comments

Gandolf Burrus from Grant Development Services, is working on a grant application with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for property to place a park by the Chisholm Trail Heritage Museum on West Church Street. He brought Council up to date stating the application is on schedule, the needs survey continues with 171 responses as of this date with 25 handwritten surveys to be added.

234 Signatures on the petitions, request for consultation with the State Historical Preservation Officer is being prepared, the environmental assessment of the property is continuing, illustrations for the property are 90% complete as well as construction estimates.

Still requesting letters of support. The next steps are for a Memorandum of Understanding from the City and a resolution authorizing submission to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

5. Presentation And Recognitions

5.1. Hotel Motel Occupancy Tax Request

Chamber of Commerce Director, Angie Cuellar presented a Hotel/ Motel Fund application to Council. Chamber is asking for \$90,000.

Greg Gossett, representing the Cuero Livestock Show, presented to Council a Hotel/Motel Fund application. They are asking for \$30,000.

6. Second Reading Of An Ordinance

6.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Second And Final Reading Of Ordinance No. 2021-15, Recommendation From Planning And Zoning Commission Request For A Conditional Use Permit For 111 W. Main Street, Cuero Texas To Allow A Boutique/Sip And Sit Shop.

Motion made by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2021-15, approving the conditional use for the Boutique/Sip and Sit Shop. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Council Consideration And Action Items

7.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On The Cuero Development Corporation Proposed FY 2021-2022 Budget And Work Program.

CDC President Richard Weber presented the budget and work program to Council and recognized Assistant Samantha Bayfus for her work on the Budget. Motion made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Adams to approve the CDC Budget and work program. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.2. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Setting A Public Hearing, Time And Place For Proposed FY 2021-2022 Budget And Tax Rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Adams, seconded by Councilmember Garza to hold a public hearing for the proposed FY 2021-2022 Budget and Tax rate of .036951 on Monday August 23, 2021 at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers located in City Hall at 212 E. Main ST. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.3. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On The Requested Street Closures For Celebrate 175 Years In Dewitt County

Main Street Manager Sandra Osman requested that the streets of 100 and 200 block of E. Main Street and 100 Block of N. Gonzales be closed September 25th and 26th from 6:00am to Noon.

Motion made by Councilmember Garza, seconded by Councilmember Glover to allow the streets to be closed for the 175th DeWitt County celebration, Councilmember Garza amended his motion to include the closure of Clinton to Live Oak Street. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Budget Workshop

9. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Fuqua, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was approved unanimously. Mayor Meyer mentioned appreciation to Cheryl Merzbacher, Environmental Supervisor, for agreeing to serve on the Golden Crescent Planning Commission Environmental Advisory Committee.

9.1. Council Meeting Minutes 7/12/2021

9.2. Library Monthly Report

9.3. Building Department Monthly Report

9.4. Municipal Court Monthly Report

9.5. Appoint Cheryl Merzbacher To The Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission Environmental Advisory Committee.

9.6. DeWitt County Appraisal District Monthly Report

10. Adjourn

Mayor Meyer adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____13TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021

SARA POST MEYER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JENNIFER ZUFELT, CITY SECRETARY