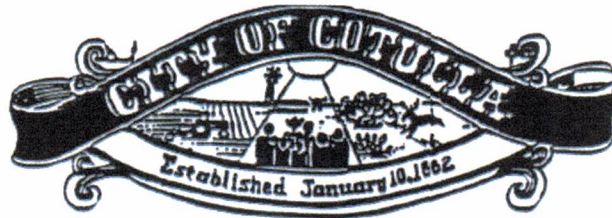


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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

MINUTES

The City of Cotulla City Council will meet for a regular meeting on March 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers, 117 N. Front St., Cotulla, Texas. This is an open meeting subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas.

1. Call to Order.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia

2. Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Javier Garcia, Councilman Gilbert Ayala, Juan Garcia, Alfredo N. Gonzalez, Luis Allala, Jr., Tanis Lopez.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

4. Citizens to be heard. City Council cannot discuss any presented issues, nor may any action be taken on any given issue at this time. (Attorney General Opinion JC-0169)

Joe Lozano – spoke about concerns regarding newspaper article.

Raul Rodriguez – spoke about the newspaper article and gave thanks to the city council for all they do and the citizens for attending the meeting.

5. Departmental and Committee Reports

a. Municipal Judge – no report submitted.

b. Code Compliance – verbal report presented by Melissa Perales.

c. Water / Wastewater – verbal report presented by David Wright.

d. Gas – verbal report presented by Juan Velasquez.

e. Streets & Park – verbal report presented by Robbie Thomas.

f. Sanitation – verbal report presented by Mel Martinez.

g. Animal Control – verbal report presented by Robbie Thomas.

h. Main Street – verbal report presented by Patsy Leigh.

6. Approval of minutes

• February 14, 2020

• February 19, 2020

• February 27, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on February 14, February 19 and February 27, 2020 was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman G. Ayala, with all in favor.

MOTIONS TO BE APPROVED

7. **Presentation by Deborah Hughes and Alan Farrell on information on how to join the 2020 Census Team.**

Item pulled.

8. **Discussion and possible action to purchase Lot 1, Block 3 Plaza Florita Addition from Felix Trevino for the amount of \$16,000.**

Motion to approve purchase Lot 1, Block 3 Plaza Florita Addition from Felix Trevino for the amount of \$16,000 pending survey request and title search was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

9. **Discussion and possible action on request submitted by Mauro Santoya Jr. and Sylvia Zertuche requesting permission to place a cabin for living purposes.**

Motion to approve a request submitted by Mauro Santoya Jr. and Sylvia Zertuche requesting permission to place a cabin for living purposes contingent that Mr. Santoya and Ms. Zertuche would have to follow the permitting and inspection process was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

10. **Discussion and possible action on: Acceptance of written resignation of Alderman Place One.**

Item pulled.

11. **Discussion and possible action on: Appointing an Alderman Place One for the unexpired term of office.**

Item pulled.

12. **Discussion and possible action on granting or denying authority to Luis Allala, Jr. Alderman Place Four (4) to sue the City of Cotulla in the 81st Judicial District Court, Cause No. 2020-02-00035-CV in his official capacity.**

Motion to DENY authority to Luis Allala, Jr. Alderman Place Four (4) to sue the City of Cotulla in the 81st Judicial District Court, Cause No. 2020-02-00035-CV in his official capacity was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

****Councilman L. Allala, Jr. abruptly got up and walked out of the meeting without excusing himself and did not return. Time was 7:49 p.m.**

13. **Closed Session – Tex. Gov’t Code Ann. Sec. 551.071 (1), (2) -Consultation with Attorney.**

Council entered into closed session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss item #10, #11, #12, #13 (a)

a.) **Luis Allala, Jr. In his Individual and Official Capacity as Alderman Place 4 v. City of Cotulla, Texas et. Al., In the District Court, 81st Judicial District, La Salle County, Texas, Cause No. 2020-02-00035-CV.**

14. Open Session

Council reconvened into open session at 8:41 p.m

a.) The City Council will reconvene in open session to consider and take action on agenda item # 14 a.)

Item #10 – Councilman G. Ayala will continue to hold his seat on council for legal actions pending in the suit filed by Councilman L. Allala, Jr.

Item #11 – no was action taken.

Item #13(a) – was for discussion only.

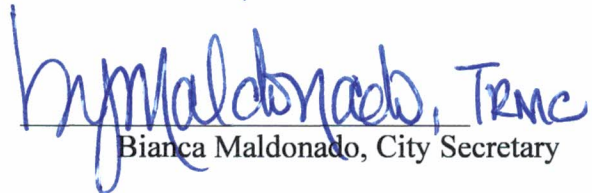
15. Adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE 23rd DAY OF April, 2020



Javier Garcia, Mayor



Bianca Maldonado, City Secretary