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## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

## **MINUTES**

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, where he temporary suspended certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, take notice that a regular meeting scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 24, 2020 will be conducted by video conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing"), to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), to consider and act upon any lawful subjects which may come before it. There will be no public access to the City of Cotulla Council Meeting.

The City Council of the City of Cotulla, Texas will hold a REGULAR MEETING at the Alexander Convention Center 290 N. IH 35 Access Road, Cotulla, Texas, 78104. Council will have the option to attend in person or by Conference Call. The citizens of Cotulla will also be able to listen to the meeting by video conference. Public Comment will only be accepted in writing no later than 30 minutes in advance of the meeting by sending them to City Secretary Bianca Maldonado at biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VIDEO CONFERENCE. The public may access this meeting through the City of Cotulla YouTube Page at www.youtube.com City of Cotulla COC.

- Call to Order.

  Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.
- 2. Roll Call.

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

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
- 4. Citizens to be heard. In order to limit the number of people in attendance per the Governor's Order. Public Comment will only be accepted in writing no later than 30 minutes in advance of the meeting by sending them to City Secretary Bianca Maldonado at biancam.citysecretary@gmail.com. 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)

No citizen's comments

- 5. Approval of Minutes
  - August 13, 2020
  - September 10, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on August 13, 2020 and September 10, 2020 was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

## ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED

6. Discussion and possible action on AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF COTULLA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING IN SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO A SINKING FUND TO PAY INTEREST AND PRICIPAL OF THE CITY'S INDEBTEDNESS; ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COUTLLA FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FISCAL YEAR; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID SUBJECT.

Motion to approve AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF COTULLA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING IN SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO A SINKING FUND TO PAY INTEREST AND PRICIPAL OF THE CITY'S INDEBTEDNESS; ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COUTLLA FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FISCAL YEAR; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID SUBJECT was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

7. <u>Discussion and possible action on AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING WHEN SAID TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.</u>

Motion to approve AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING WHEN SAID TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

8. <u>Discussion and possible action TO ADOPT AN EXCESSIVE FORCE RESOLUTION FOR CDBG CONTRACT NO. 7219089.</u>

Motion to ADOPT AN EXCESSIVE FORCE RESOLUTION FOR CDBG CONTRACT NO. 7219089 was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

## MOTIONS TO BE APPROVED

9. <u>Discussion and possible action to approve the designs submitted by Frank Architects of the Stockmen's Bank Building Phase II.</u>

Motion to approve the designs submitted by Frank Architects of the Stockmen's Bank Building Phase II was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

10. <u>Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by Mrs. Anna Marroquin to host a small 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cancer Walk at a different location located at 306 Guadalupe Street due to COVID-19 gathering requirements.</u>

Motion to approve a request submitted by Mrs. Anna Marroquin to host a small 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cancer Walk at a different location located at 306 Guadalupe Street due to COVID-19 gathering requirements was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman A. Gonzalez, with all in favor.

11. Adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE Sth DAY OF Ochber, 202

Bianca Maldonado, City Secretary