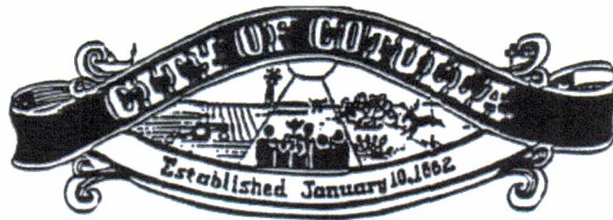


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NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
6:30 P.M.

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 workshop scheduled at **6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 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 Workshop.**

The City Council of the City of Cotulla, Texas will hold a WORKSHOP 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.** 

1. Call to Order
Workshop was called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.
2. Roll Call
Present: Mayor Javier Garcia, Councilman Gilbert Ayala, Tanis Lopez, Juan Garcia, Alfredo N. Gonzalez
Absent: Councilman Luis Allala, Jr.
3. Discussion on
 - a. Municipal budget for fiscal year 2020-2021.
 - b. Municipal tax rate for fiscal year 2020-2021.

Discussion only; no action needed.

4. Adjourn
Workshop was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor J. Garcia.

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
7:00 P.M.
AGENDA

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 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 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.**

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1. Call to Order.
Meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.

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

Motion to excuse Councilman L. Allala, Jr., was made by Councilman Alfredo N. Gonzalez. A second motion was not made so motion fails.

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. Departmental and Committee Reports
 - a. Municipal Court – written report was submitted by Teri Gonzalez.
 - b. Code Compliance – no report was submitted.
 - c. Water/Wastewater – written report was submitted by David Wright.
 - d. Gas – no report was submitted.
 - e. Streets & Parks – written report was submitted by Robbie Thomas.

- f. Sanitation – written report was submitted by Mel Martinez.
- g. Animal Control – no report was submitted.
- h. Main Street – no report was submitted.

6. Approval of Minutes

- August 13, 2020

Item was tabled as minutes were not readily available.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED

7. **Discussion and possible action on A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS, CALLING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY, ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE ONE, ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE TWO BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF COTULLA; ESTABLISHING PAY RATES FOR ELECTION WORKERS; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND FOR NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT TO THE ELECTION AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion to approve A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS, CALLING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY, ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE ONE, ONE (1) COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE TWO BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF COTULLA; ESTABLISHING PAY RATES FOR ELECTION WORKERS; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND FOR NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT TO THE ELECTION AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

8. **Discussion and possible action on: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COTULLA APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS DESCRIBED AS LOT 4, BLOCK 7; SW PART OF LOT 3, BLOCK 7 OF THE LA SALLE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COTULLA; DECLARING A PUBLIC PURPOSE; INCORPORATING RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING A REPEALER AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion to approve A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COTULLA APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS DESCRIBED AS LOT 4, BLOCK 7; SW PART OF LOT 3, BLOCK 7 OF THE LA SALLE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COTULLA; DECLARING A PUBLIC PURPOSE; INCORPORATING RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING A REPEALER AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

MOTIONS TO BE APPROVED

9. **Presentation of financial statements by Jorge Flores.**

Presentation of financial statements was made by Jorge Flores; no action was needed.

10. **Discussion and possible action to approve a change order submitted by Tetra Tech to construct an off-site water line associated with the future elevated storage tank on Engineer Lane.**

Motion to approve a change order submitted by Tetra Tech to construct an off-site water line associated with the future elevated storage tank on Engineer Lane was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by J. Garcia, with all in favor.

11. Discussion and possible action to cast a vote for Joe Cardena, Assistant City Manager, City of Uvalde for the TML Health Benefits Pool Board of Trustees.

Motion to cast a vote for Joe Cardena, Assistant City Manager, City of Uvalde for the TML Health Benefits Pool Board of Trustees was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

12. Discussion and possible action to approve a contractor's payment request submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$40,387.50 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main.

Motion to approve a contractor's payment request submitted by Sal Construction Management, LLC in the amount of \$40,387.50 for the Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Water Main was made by Councilman A. Gonzalez. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

13. Information on Solid Waste Rate Study for review only.

Information only; no action needed.

14. Information on Advertisement for Bids for Cotulla-La Salle County Airport Elevated Storage Tank Project.

Information only; no action needed.

15. Information on Advertisements for Bids for the City of Cotulla I35 Gas Line Relocation Project.

Information only; no action needed.

16. La Salle County Appraisal District Amended 2021 Budget for review only.

Information only; no action needed.

17. CLOSED SESSION – Tex. Gov't Code Ann. Sec. 551.071 (1),(2) Consultation with Attorney

a. Kemosabe Business Park

b. Luis Allala, Jr. Alderman Place Four v. The City of Cotulla, Texas et. Al., In the 81st Judicial District Court, No. 2020-02-00035

18. OPEN SESSION

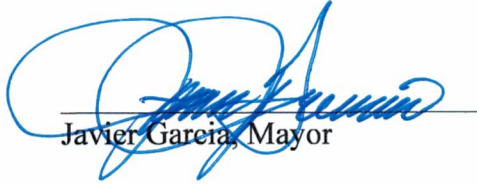
a.) The City Council will reconvene into open to discuss and take action on item 17 (a),(b).

No action taken in open session.

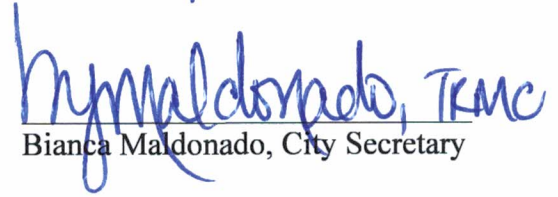
19. Adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m. by Mayor J. Garcia.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE 24th DAY OF September, 2020



Javier Garcia, Mayor



Bianca Maldonado, City Secretary