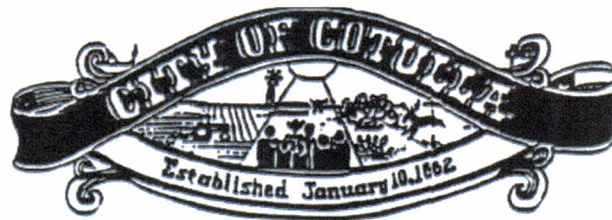


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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2020**

**7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, where he temporarily suspended certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, take notice that a regular meeting scheduled at **7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 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 City of Cotulla Council Meeting.**

The City Council of the City of Cotulla, Texas will hold a REGULAR meeting at the **Alexander Convention Center 295 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](mailto: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](http://www.youtube.com) **City of Cotulla COC.** 

**1. Call to Order.**

Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by Javier Garcia.

**2. Roll Call.**

Present: Mayor Javier Garcia, Councilman Juan Garcia, Gilbert Ayala, Tanis Lopez

Absent: Councilman Luis Allala, Jr., Alfredo N. Gonzalez

Motion to excuse Councilman Alfredo N. Gonzalez was made by Councilman Tanis Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilbert Ayala.

Motion to record unexcused absence for Councilman Luis Allala, Jr., was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

**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](mailto: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 submitted by Judge Vickie Rodriguez.
- b. Code Compliance – written report submitted by Melissa Perales.
- c. Water/Wastewater – written report submitted by David Wright.
- d. Gas – written report submitted by Juan Velasquez.
- e. Streets & Parks – written report submitted by Robbie Thomas.
- f. Sanitation – written report submitted by Mel Martinez.
- g. Animal Control – written report submitted by Eric Martinez.
- h. Main Street – no report submitted.

6. Approval of Minutes

- April 23, 2020
- May 7, 2020

Motion to approve the minutes for the meeting held on May 7, 2020 was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman G. Ayala, with all in favor.

Minutes for the meeting held on April 23, 2020 had previously been approved at the meeting previously held.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED**

7. **Discussion and possible action AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF “CITY OF COTULLA, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020;” PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS BY THE LEVY OF AN AD VALOREM TAX UPON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

Item was pulled due to lack of sufficient councilmember's.

**MOTIONS TO BE APPROVED**

8. **Presentation of financial statement by Jorge Flores.**

Presentation of financial statements was made by Jorge Flores, no action was taken.

9. **Discussion and possible action for approval to engage Tijerina, Galvan, Lawrence, LLC as Financial Advisor for the proposed General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.**

Motion to approve to engage Tijerina, Galvan, Lawrence, LLC as Financial Advisor for the proposed General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2020; and providing for other matters in connection therewith was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

10. **Presentation by Mario Obledo, Jr. of the San Antonio Food Bank “Who We Are, How We Work and How We Help in the Community”.**

Presentation made by Mr. Obledo, no action was taken.

**11. Discussion and possible action to consider the condition of the following structures and take appropriate action to declare them a public nuisance and require abatement and/or take appropriate remedial action pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. Sec. 342.004.**

- Rogelio Saldivar – Orosco Street – Lot 12, Block 1, Thomas Addition
- Rogelio Saldivar – Mendez Street – Part of Block 2, Davenport Addition
- Alejos Martinez, Sr. – 805 Crockett – Lot 10, Block 11, Oleander Heights
- Antonio Garcia, Jr. – S. Front Street – Lot 11, Block 30 ½, La Salle Addition
- Eduardo Nieto & Virginia Martinez – 201 Boutwell Street – Lot 1, Block 12 ½, La Salle Addition
- R.C. Garcia C/O Ramon Garcia – 304 Hall Street – Lot 35, Block 4, Garden Homes #1 Addition
- Juan Zamora, Jr. – 401 Boutwell – Lot 6, Muriel Addition
- Juan Zamora, Jr. – 403 Boutwell – Lot 8, Muriel Addition
- Delfino Garza – Corner of Jay and Boutwell – Lot 23 & 24, Block 2, Jays Addition
- Darryl & Angelina Morin – Jay Street – Lot 15, Block 2, Jays Addition
- Esmeralda Garcia – 715 Mesquite Street – Lot 7 & 9, Block 2 Garden Homes #1 Addition
- Alejandro & Nancy Mendoza – 902 Alta Vista, Block 4, Lot 10.0895

Motion to approve to proceed to consider the condition of the following structures and take appropriate action to declare them a public nuisance and require abatement and/or take appropriate remedial action pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. Sec. 342.004 by publishing list in the newspaper and posting a notice on the structure in question was made by Councilman T. Lopez. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

**12. Discussion and possible action to enter into an agreement with Jason Fletcher for the clearing of brush and over grown grass on two lots located on Ligarde Street.**

Motion to approve an agreement with Jason Fletcher for the clearing of brush and over grown grass on two lots located on Ligarde Street was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

**13. Discussion and possible action on a hardship case to provide a 40 yard container at 1106 Martinez Street to demolish and dispose of an old burnt RV Trailer.**

Item tabled.

**14. Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by the La Salle County Chamber of Commerce requesting a 5 year office contract to continue to run business from the Alexander Convention Center.**

Motion to bring back to the next meeting with a Public Purpose Contract created by City Attorney Steve Pena was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

**15. Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by Kasarah Alvarado to place a 1998 Palm Harbor Manufactured Home on Vela Street.**

Motion to approve a request submitted by Kasarah Alvarado to place a 1998 Palm Harbor

Manufactured Home on Vela Street was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman J. Garcia, with all in favor.

**16. Discussion and possible action on a request submitted by Jeanette Perales to place a 12X44 Utility Shed/Cabin at 1503 Matamoros Street to use as residence.**

No motion was made, motion dies.

**17. Discussion and possible action on approving final form of master services agreement with CDM Smith for professional engineering services.**

Motion to approve final form of master services agreement with CDM Smith for professional engineering services was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman G. Ayala, with all in favor.

**18. Closed Session – Tex. Gov’t Code Ann. Sec. 551.071 (1),(2) Consultation with Attorney; Tex. Gov’t Code Ann. Sec. 551.072 (2) Deliberation about real property**

City council entered into closed session at 9:01 p.m.

**(1) Pending litigation – Anderson Columbia retainage;**

**(2.) Purchase of Real Property belonging to Ernestina V. Garza located at 101 E. Johnston Street - Lot 4, Block 7, La Salle Addition;**

**(3) Luis Allala Jr. v. The City of Cotulla et. Al., No. 2020-02-00035 CV In the District Court 81<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court, La Salle County, Texas.**

**19. Open Session – Council will reconvene in open session to consider and take action on agenda item 18 (1), (2), (3).**

City council reconvened into open session at 9:31 p.m. to take action on agenda item 18 (1), (2), (3).

No action was taken in closed session.

(1). Motion to deny Anderson Columbia Retainage claim was made by Councilman G. Ayala. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez.

(2). Motion to allow Mr. Larry Dovalina to make an offer not to exceed the appraised value was made by Councilman J. Garcia. The motion was seconded by Councilman T. Lopez, with all in favor.

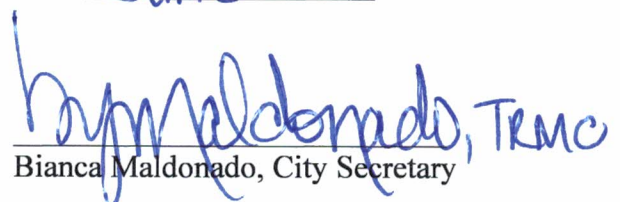
(3). No action needed.

**20. Adjourn.**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m. by Mayor Javier Garcia.

PASSED AND APPROVED THE 25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF June, 2020

  
Javier Garcia, Mayor

  
Bianca Maldonado, City Secretary