



CITY OF IOWA COLONY

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STATE OF TEXAS
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BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 20th day of July, 2020, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. Via teleconference/videoconference, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Michael Byrum- Bratsen
Councilwoman Susan Cottrell
Councilwoman Arnetta Murray
Councilwoman Robin Bradbery
Councilwoman Kacy Smajstrla
Councilman Chad Wilsey

And none being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

1. Mayor Byrum-Bratsen called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.
3. Citizens Comments and Presentations.
 - Mr. Johnny Cagle has owned property in Iowa Colony since 2015 had a mobile home that they demolished. Mr. Cagle had questions about the regulations and restrictions on putting a manufactured home on the property. He will email City Secretary the information regarding the property.
4. Mayor's comments or reports.

Mayor Byrum-Bratsen introduced the new employees as listed below.

- Monica Suarez as the Municipal Court Clerk
- Sandra Castro as the Sr. Accountant
- Jeremy Franks as the Public Works Foreman and
- Ruben Garcia as Code Compliance.

He discussed the seriousness of COVID and the increases in the number of cases.

5. Council comments or reports

- Councilwoman Cottrell mentioned the progress of the new AISD high school. She thanked Dinh and Michael Holton for the special coating that was put on Davenport because it has held up with the many amounts of vehicles traveling it due to construction.
- Councilwoman Murray stated that COVID is serious and she knows many people who have had it.
- Councilwoman Bradbery welcomed the newest members of City Staff.
- Councilwoman Smajstrla welcomed the new staff members.
- Councilman Wilsey welcomed the new staff members.

6. Staff Reports.

- A. City Manager
- B. City Engineer
- C. Police Department- Chief Bell stated that the code compliance report was added to the police department report that was in the packet.
- D. Building Inspector
- E. City Secretary- The building renovations to City Hall looks so nice.
- F. Public Works

7. Consideration and possible action regarding the COVID-19 emergency. Chief Bell gave a report on the number of cases within the city limits, within Rosharon, and ESD3 area. No action was taken.

8. Consideration and possible action to approve naming of the ball fields at the Iowa Colony City Park at Meridiana, according to the agreement with the Lions Club. Councilwoman Cottrell made the motion to approve the naming of the ball fields according to the agreement. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

9. Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance calling election of officers for November 3, 2020. Councilman Wilsey made the motion to approve the ordinance with the polling places listed from Brazoria County. Seconded by Councilwoman Cottrell. Approved unanimously.

10. Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance calling for election for November 3, 2020, on the adoption of a home rule charter. Councilwoman Cottrell moved to approve the ordinance with the polling locations from Brazoria County. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

11. Consideration and possible action to adopt ordinances approving the following franchise agreements for pipeline construction through the City of Iowa Colony. Councilwoman Cottrell moved to approve the ordinances. Seconded by Councilman Wilsey. Approved unanimously.

- Bayport to Markham
- NGL Webster to Seadrift

12. Consideration and possible action to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Brazoria County Tax Assessor/Collector to utilize the eight percent increase in the calculation of the voter approval tax rate as a result of the COVID-19 disaster declaration as allowed by State Law. This concerns the

calculation of various tax rates. The Council will not set a tax rate at this meeting. Councilwoman Bradbery made a motion to approve the ordinance authorizing the Brazoria County Tax Assessor/Collector to utilize the eight percent increase in the calculation of the voter approval tax rate as a result of the COVID-19 disaster declaration as allowed by State Law. Seconded by Councilman Wilsey. Approved with four ayes and Councilwoman Bradbery abstaining from the vote.

13. Consideration and possible action to approve an agreement with Adico, LLC for a water/wastewater master plan. Councilwoman Cottrell moved to approve the agreement with Adico. Seconded by Councilwoman Bradbery. Approved unanimously.

14. Consideration and possible action to approve an agreement with Ivan Langford Consulting for assistance in water and wastewater planning needs. Councilwoman Cottrell made a motion to approve the agreement with Ivan Langford Consulting. Seconded by Councilman Wilsey. Approved unanimously.

15. Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance amending the Design Criteria Manual. Councilwoman Murray moved to approve the ordinance amending the Design Criteria Manual. Seconded by Councilwoman Bradbery. Approved unanimously.

16. **Consent Agenda-** Consideration and possible action to approve the following consent agenda items. Councilwoman Cottrell moved to approve all items on the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Smajstrla. Approved unanimously.

A. Approval of Minutes of the following meetings.

- May 18, 2020 Regular Meeting
- June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting

B. Adopt an ordinance naming a street in Sterling Lakes to correct a street naming duplication.

C. Discuss, consider, and select an engineering firm to complete application and project implementation for CDBG-Mitigation funding through the Texas General Land Office.

D. Approval of the 2019 City of Iowa Colony Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Annual Report.

E. Approval of the following Plats as recommended by the Planning Commission.

- Karsten Boulevard Phase IV Street Dedication Abbreviated Plat
- Sierra Vista Section 6 Amending Plat No. 1

F. Approval of engagement letter with Whitley Penn for annual audit services.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- 8:32 P.M.

Executive Session in accordance with 551.071 Texas Gov't Code to consult with City Attorney and 551.072 Texas Gov't Code to deliberate on land sale and/or acquisition-

- o Property next to city hall

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION- 9:05 P.M.

17. Consideration and possible action regarding purchase of property adjacent to City Hall. No action taken.

18. Councilwoman Cottrell made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Murray. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 17th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020.

ATTEST:



Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary



Michael Byrum-Bratsen, Mayor

