

## **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The Edna City Council met in regular session, Thursday, January 4, 2018 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Joe Hermes presided over the meeting. Councilmember Wayne Callis, Johnny Vasquez, Lance Smiga and Maxine Price were present. Councilmember Dustin Muncrief was absent. City Manager Don Doering, Finance Director Olga Salomon, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan and Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge. Minutes were recorded by City Secretary Becky Miska.

### **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 7, 2017:**

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held December 7, 2017. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**VISITORS:** Kathryn Miller, Karsyn Damborsky, Sheila Miller, Velma Vasquez, Betty Collier-GrantWorks and Chris Lundstrom-Jackson County Herald Tribune

### **HEARING OF VISITORS:**

*“At this time, comments will be heard from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. In accordance, with the Open Meeting Act, the Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.” Please limit comments to two (2) minutes.*

Kathryn Miller and Karsyn Damborsky went before the council and explaining the importance of 4-H to the youth of the community. Each of the young ladies explained their 4-H projects and what the experience has taught them.

### **“MEMBER OF THE MONTH” PRESENTATION BY THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & AGRICULTURE TO THE CITY OF EDNA:**

Chris Lundstrom, representing the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture” presented the City Council with the “Member of The Month” Award.

### **DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2017-06 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 6, “HEALTH AND SANITATION” ARTICLE 6.02, “HEALTH AND SANITATION NUISANCES”, DIVISION 1, ‘GENERALLY”. SECTION 6.02.003 “DEFINITIONS” BY REVISING THE DEFINITION OF “LOT”; AND BY ADDING SECTION 6.02.060 “AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES”, DIVISION 2 “WEEDS, BRUSH, RUBBISH, JUNK, UNSIGHTLY MATTER AND STAGNANT WATER”; AND PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SUPERSESSION CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AND EFFECTIVE DATE:**

City Manager Doering noted with this ordinance being passed property owners of the City of Edna will be responsible for mowing for the normal lot line to the road. Councilmember Smiga made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2017-06 an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Edna, Texas amending Chapter 6, “Health and Sanitation” Article 6.02, “Health and Sanitation Nuisances”, Division 1, “Generally”. Section 6.02.003 “Definitions” by revising the definition of “Lot”; and by adding Section 6.02.060 “Affirmative Defenses”, Division 2 “Weeds, Brush, Rubbish, Junk, Unsightly Matter and Stagnant Water”; and providing a severability clause; providing a supersession clause; and establishing an effective date. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

### **DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER CITY COUNCIL TO ORDER A GENERAL ELECTION FOR MAY 5, 2018 AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR HERMES TO SIGN THE ELECTION ORDER:**

Councilmember Price made the motion to authorize Mayor Hermes to sign a General Election Order for the May 5, 2018 General Election. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01 CALLING FOR A GENERAL ELECTION TO THE OFFICES OF COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 3, COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 4 AND COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 5 PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS AND THE TIME, PLACE AND MANNER FOR HOLDING A CITY OF EDNA ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAME:**

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2018-01 calling for a General Election to the offices of Councilmember District 3, Councilmember District 4 and Councilmember District 5 providing for election officials and the time, place and manner for holding a City of Edna Election; and providing for notice of same. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND RODNEY FOWLER & LINDA FOWLER, INDIVIDUALLY AND DBA THE BLOOMING COMPANY:**

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve the License Agreement between the City of Edna and Rodney Fowler & Linda Fowler, Individually and DBA The Blooming Company. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO THE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH TXCDBG CONTRACT NO. 7217111 FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF EDNA:**

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the Engineering Agreement for Services Associated with TXCDBG Contract No. 7217111 for Public Infrastructure Improvements for the City of Edna. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER 2-1-1 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE VALUE OF THE REGIONAL INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY:**

Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge spoke about the importance of 2-1-1 to the community. Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve the 2-1-1 Proclamation recognizing the value of the regional information and referral services to our community. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER RENEWING LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND EDNA LITTLE LEAGUE ASSOCIATION FOR BASEBALL AND/OR SOFTBALL FACILITIES:**

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to approve renewing the Lease Agreement between the City of Edna and Edna Little League Association for baseball and/or softball facilities. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-01 DESIGNATING SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TXCDBG) CONTRACT NUMBER 7217111:**

City Manager Don Doering noted this is for the East Street and Division Street project. Councilmember Smiga made the motion to approve Resolution No. R-2018-01 designating signatories for contractual documents and documents for requesting funds pertaining to the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TXCDBG) Contract Number 7217111. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-02 ADOPTING REQUIRED CDBG CIVIL RIGHTS POLICIES:**

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to consider Resolution No. R-2018-02 adopting required CDBG Civil Rights Policies. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PROCLAMATION TO PROCLAIM APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF EDNA:**

Councilmember Smiga made the motion to approve the proclamation to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Edna. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:**

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$256,659.07. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**CITY STAFF REPORTS:**

*“At this time, the City Council will hear reports / updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but is not limited to the following: Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Public Works Department-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; City Manager & City Secretary-public information. “No formal action can be taken on these items.”*

City Manager Don Doering stated that the city is anticipating 2018 to be the best year ever. Finance Director Olga Salomon noted the auditors may be at a council meeting soon. Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge reported that due to the recent freezing weather conditions in our county that at least 20 crashes happened within an approximate three (3) hour period. Chief Wooldridge went onto say that he has an officer that has resigned to go be to work at the plant. Director of Public Works Brad Ryan reported that the city has had several water leaks due to the recent freezing weather conditions. He went onto say that he too has had an employee resign on good terms.

**ADJOURN:**

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe Hermes, Mayor

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Becky Miska, City Secretary