

**VERNON CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2019 6:30 PM**

Mayor Douglas Jeffrey IV called the Regular Meeting of the Vernon City Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. on February 25, 2019 at City Hall, and a quorum was declared present.

Present: Mayor Douglas Jeffrey IV

Commissioners: Britt Ferguson, Don Aydelott, Pam Gosline, Justin Marsh.

Staff Present: City Manager Martin Mangum, City Attorney Jonathan Whitsitt, Police Chief Randy Agan, Public Works Director Darell Kennon, Community Development Director David Pilcher, Utility Clerk Elizabeth Agan, Finance Officer Dee Boatenhamer, Parks Supervisor Tony Dehoyes, Main Street Coordinator Amanda Lehman, Police Captain Wayne Hodges, and City Secretary Marsha Jo Stone.

1. Call To Order
 - A. Declaration of Quorum – Mayor Jeffrey declared a quorum
 - B. Invocation - Commissioner Marsh led the group in the Invocation
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Marsh led the group in the pledge to the United States Flag and to the Texas Flag
2. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Aydelott moved to approve the consent agenda.

 - A. Approval Minutes: Attached are Minutes of the Regular City Commission Meeting held on Tuesday, January 22, 2019
 - B. Approval of Finance Investment Report, Vouchers, Payroll and Benefit Expense for January 1, 2019 – January 31, 2019
 - C. Approval of Department reports including Finance Report and other departmental reports January 1, 2019 – January 31, 2019.

Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Public Comment
Hear Citizen Comments with a Limitation of Five Minutes.

(Citizens Wishing to Comment Must Complete the Provided Form and Hand it to the City Secretary before the Start of the Meeting.)

None

4. Police Department Award Presentation – Chief Randy Agan presented Captain Wayne Hodges with the Hometown Hero Award by KFDX.
5. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on proposal to prepare conceptual designs and 3-D renditions on a special events venue to be located at 1716 Pease Street.

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City Manager Marty Mangum introduced Rick Sims of BYSP Architects who presented a proposal for design plans and 3-D renditions for a proposed facility at a cost of \$4,000.00 for professional services.

Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to accept the proposal to prepare conceptual designs and 3-D renditions on a special events venue to be located at 1716 Pease Street at a cost of \$4,000.00 by BYSP Architects.

Commissioner Gosline seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

6. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Resolution Number 1034 Authorizing submission of a Homeland Security Grant for Radio Communication Replacement and designating Grantee's authorized official.

Commissioner Ferguson made the motion to approve Resolution Number 1034.

Commissioner Marsh seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

7. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on bids received for the purchase of pickup for Community Development.

City Manager Mangum advised they are lacking one proposal for this vehicle and would like to table action until the next meeting.

8. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on the approval of tax resale deeds on 1100 Indian, Parcel 100183, 1021 Mansard, Parcel 100155 in Vernon Texas.

Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to approve tax resale deeds on 1100 Indian, Parcel 100183, 1021 Mansard, Parcel 100155 in Vernon Texas.

Commissioner Gosline seconded by motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

9. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on bids received for purchase of a pickup for the Water Department

Public Works Director Darell Kennon presented the bids for the purchase of a pickup.

Commissioner Gosline made the motion to approve the bid received from Gunn Chevrolet at the price of \$38,024.50 for the purchase of a pickup for the Water Department

Commissioner Adyelott seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

10. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on a water tap located outside the city limits for Bud Freeman.

Public Works Director Kennon advised Bud Freeman had made a written request to have a water tap installed for his home only and he is willing to sign an agreement. The City will not be responsible for the line only installing the water tap.

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Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to approve installing a water tap for Bud Freeman.

Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

11. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on proposed work and solicitation of bids for the 2018-2019 Seal Coat and Street Repair Project.

Public Works Director Kennon advised \$400,000.00 was budgeted for repairs of streets. He presented the Commission with a list of proposed streets. He advised the list of streets was compiled due to complaints from citizens and Jimmy Anderson with Vernon ISD.

Commissioners expressed concerns to add Canal Street to the list of possible repairs as an alternate if funds are available.

Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to approve proposed work and solicitation of bids for the 2018-2019 Seal Coat and Street Repair Project.

Commissioner Gosline seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

12. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action on Ordinance Number 1738 regulating peddlers, solicitors, and beggars in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Vernon, Texas.

City Manager Mangum presented a revision to the original Ordinance Number 1699 to clarify the number of days for an itinerant vendor – Food Truck for a year and the cost for a permit. Mangum advised we need to set a price that won't discourage Food Truck vendors but not put them at such an advantage to put restaurants out of business.

Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to approve the Ordinance Number 1738 regulating peddlers, solicitors, and beggars in the Code of Ordinance of the City of Vernon, Texas with the amendment of proration beginning January 1 for the annual permit at \$1,000.00 per year.

Commissioner Gosline seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

13. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Action to Accept the Certification of Unopposed Candidates and Adopt the Order to Cancellation of the May 4, 2019 General Election presented by City Secretary Stone.

Commissioner Gosline made the motion to accept the Certification of Unopposed Candidates and Adopt the Order to Cancellation of the May 4, 2019 General Election.

Commissioner Marsh seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote

Motion was made by Commissioner Gosline and seconded by Commissioner Adyelott to enter into Executive Session at 7:04 pm to discuss Agenda item 14 Section 551.072 and item 16 Section 551.074.

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14. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072 – Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchanges, lease or value of Real Property – action may be taken in open meeting if necessary
15. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney concerning possible pending litigation
16. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters (1) To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee (2) To hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee – Tourism/Main Street Coordinator

Commissioner Adyelott made the motion to exit Executive Session at 7:43 pm

Commissioner Gosline seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

The City Commission reconvened the Regular City Commission meeting at 7:44 pm.

Mayor Douglas Jeffrey stated “the City Commission asked that our Tourism/Main Street Coordinator Amanda Lehman be allowed to work for three months and to come back and discuss her job performance in Executive Session. Mayor Jeffrey stated we want to talk briefly about her job duties as Tourism Director and the relationship of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce with the City of Vernon. The City of Vernon and the Vernon Chamber of Commerce have many common functions such as tourism and economic development. The City of Vernon pays one hundred percent of the salary of Amanda Lehman who serves the City as Tourism and Main Street Director. Amanda Diaz is paid one hundred percent by the Vernon Chamber of Commerce where she serves as the Administrative Assistant. There are many times where their jobs will have them working side by side as we consider the Chamber a partner to the City. We also realize that by working together on our common functions we can leverage our talents and efforts. Amanda Lehman is doing an incredible job and we all appreciate her efforts for our City.”

17. Adjourn – Commissioner Marsh made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Commissioner Gosline seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Douglas Jeffrey IV
Mayor

ATTEST:

Marsha Jo Stone, City Secretary