



Minutes of the Arlington City Council Meeting

Council Chambers
110 East 3rd Street
Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Councilmembers Present: Don Vanney, Heather Logan, Marilyn Oertle, Jan Schuette, Michele Blythe, and Yvonne Gallardo-Van Ornam.

Council Members Absent: Debora Nelson, excused.

Staff Present: Mayor Barb Tolbert, Paul Ellis, Jim Kelly, Jonathan Ventura, Sheri Amundson, City Attorney Steve Peiffle, Tony Orr, and Wendy Van Der Meersche.

Also Known to be Present: Kathy Vanney and Sid Logan.

Mayor Barb Tolbert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call followed.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

PROCLAMATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Don Vanney seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that was unanimously carried:

1. Minutes of the February 6 and February 13, 2023 Council meetings
2. Accounts Payable: Approval of EFT Payments and Claims Checks:
3. #107490 through #107619 dated February 7, 2023 through February 21, 2023 for a total of \$769,699.6; Approval of Payroll EFT Payments and Check #30246 through #30253 dated January 1, 2023 through January 31, 2023 in the amount of \$1,311,551.29.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Agreement for Retention of Facilitator

City Administrator Paul Ellis requested Council approve an agreement with North County Regional Fire Authority (NCRFA) to utilize the services of Karen Reed as a facilitator in discussions with North County Regional Fire Authority (NCRFA) regarding issues with the existing interlocal agreement (ILA) with NCRFA for fire marshal/investigative services ("the ILA").

The City and NCRFA have had challenges in working together on issues regarding the ILA. It is hoped that Karen Reed, who helped organize discussions around the City's annexation to the NCRFA, will help the parties by facilitating discussions. Should that effort fail, the parties are committing to following the mediation provisions of the existing ILA. Discussion followed with Mr. Ellis answering Council questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Jan Schuette moved and Councilmember Marilyn Oertle seconded the motion to approve the Agreement for Retention of Facilitator, and authorized the Mayor to sign it. The motion passed unanimously.

Contract Change Order No. 2 to Water Reclamation Facility Equalization Basin Project Contract

Construction Change Directives (CCDs) have been issued on the Water Reclamation Facility Equalization Basin project as issues come up during construction. This Change Order will close out all open CCDs and add the combined value of the open CCDs to the contract.

Councilmember Yvonne Gallardo-Van Ornam moved and Councilmember Heather Logan seconded the motion to approve Contract Change Order No. 2 to the EQ Basin Project, and authorized the Mayor to sign it. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS

None.

ADMINISTRATOR & STAFF REPORTS

None.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tolbert thanked Chief Ventura for providing continual information to help keep the Council and her engaged in public safety bills.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.


Barbara Tolbert, Mayor