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Venus City Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 9, 2017

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code, notice is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the Venus City Council, to be held in the City Council Chambers at 103 West 3rd Street, Venus, Texas 76084 on Monday, October 9, 2017.

James Burgess	Mayor
Jeannie Prazak	Councilmember Place 1
Laurna Guidry-Shaw	Councilmember Place 2
Jeanie Toland-Scott	Mayor Pro Tem Place 3
Geronimo Hernandez	Councilmember Place 4
Robert McCurdy	Councilmember Place 5

PUBLIC HEARING

No Public Hearing

REGULAR AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor Burgess spoke in regards to landowners petitioning into the ETJ

CITIZENS PUBLIC COMMENT

Hailey Cook who resides at 129 Houston Place, Venus, Texas 76084 spoke in regards to the CareFlite change.

PROCLAMATIONS

No Proclamations

CONSENT AGENDA

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER MINUTES AND
RATIFY THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FROM SEPTEMBER.**

Mayor Burgess presented the consent agenda. Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the consent agenda as stated. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1 DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A FINAL PLAT OF THE GARCIA PROPERTY IN THE VENUS ETJ, LOCATED AT 1106 FM 1807, ALVARADO, TX 76009.

Mayor Burgess presented the item, City Administrator/Chief of Police Michael Boese briefed council on the item. Councilmember Shaw made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott to approve the item as stated. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 2 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 585-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER MARGARET LEE'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 99.0594.000.061.99.115.

Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the item as stated at 7:11 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 3 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 586-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER MARGARET LEE'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 99.0594.000.018.00.115.

Councilmember Hernandez made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott to approve the item as stated at 7:12 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 4 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 587-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER JIMMY BERRYHILL'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 99.0594.000.007.00.115.

Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the item as stated 7:13 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 5 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 588-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER MARGARET LEE'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 99.0594.000.008.00.115.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Prazak to approve the item as state at 7:14 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 6 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 589-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER JON FOWLER'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.9075.000.003.00.115.

Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott to approve the item as stated at 7:15 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 7 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 590-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER BEATRICE FOWLER'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.9075.000.003.02.115.

Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve the item as stated at 7:16 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 8 DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 591-2017-10 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER WELDON HURST'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS' EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 99.0594.000.067.00.115.

Councilmember Hernandez made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Prazak to approve the item as stated 7:17 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 9 APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S NEW CODE OF CONDUCT/CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, REQUIREMENT FOR THE CDBG PROGRAM.

Councilmember Shaw made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Prazak to approve the item as stated. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ITEM 10 PRESENTATION OF MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT - Captain James Groom

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Jason DeLeon (*Councilmember Shaw left the dias at 7:23 PM, returning 30 seconds later*)

PUBLIC WORKS AND WATER/SEWER - Public Works Director Cesar Roca

ADMINISTRATION - City Administrator Michael Boese

ITEM 11 PRESENTATION BY DANNY MARSCHALL ON THE PROPERTY AT 211 S. WALNUT ST. IN VENUS.

Danny Marschall presented to the council his concerns regarding issues he has that pertain to the property donated to the city to build Shana's Park and his property at 211 S. Walnut Street in Venus. Mr. Marschall explained he has no access to his property's location. He is concerned that the citizens will be walking on his lot and could fall and trip and that would be a lawsuit for him. He would like the city to build a fence, a culvert or purchase his property for \$30,000. Mr. McCurdy asked Mr. Marschall if building a fence would possibly be an issue because that would also block Mr. Marschall from accessing his property as well. Mr. McCurdy also explained that Mr. Marschall has access through the alley way. Mr. Marschall responded saying he does not want to go through other people's property to access his property.

{Recess into executive session at 7:50 PM}

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- *GC § 551.072 – 551.072 Deliberations about real property*

{Reconvened into regular session at PM 8:30 PM}

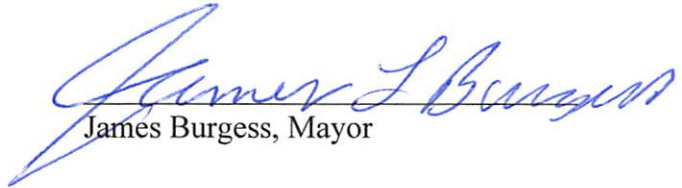
REGULAR AGENDA

MOTIONS MADE ON DISCUSSIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Shaw made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to authorize the City Administrator and Mayor to negotiate a possible purchase per the terms discussed in executive session to be agreed upon prior to next city council meeting with Danny Marschall, property owner of 211 S. Walnut St. Venus, Texas. Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Adjournment: 8:31 PM

Approve:


James Burgess, Mayor

Approve:



Rana Gamel, City Secretary

