



MINUTES
VENUS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018

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, January 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

REGULAR AGENDA

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

Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, then led the invocation, and the pledge of allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS BY THE MAYOR

Mayor spoke of the accomplishments the city has made over the past year.

CITIZENS PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments

PROCLAMATIONS

No Proclamations

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Mayor Burgess presented the consent agenda. There was a discussion regarding the payment of bills. Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott to approve the consent agenda as stated. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 615-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER MICHAEL AND MARGOT DALE’S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7710.000.001.00.115.**

Mayor Burgess presented the item. Councilmember Shaw made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Prazak to approve item as stated at 7:07 PM. Motion carried (5-0).
- 2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 616-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER CARY AND HANNAH MEASLES’ REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7710.000.003.01.115.**

Mayor Burgess presented the item. Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve item as stated at 7:08 PM. Motion carried (5-0).
- 3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 617-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER BILLY AND DENA LONG’S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7710.000.004.00.115.**

Mayor Burgess presented the item. Councilmember Hernandez made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott to approve item as stated at 7:09 PM. Motion carried (5-0).
- 4. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 618-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER KENNETH MATHERS’ REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7710.000.005.00.115.**

ITEM TABLED
- 5. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 619-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER DEL HOFMANN’S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7712.000.079.00.115.**

Mayor Burgess presented the item. Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve item as stated at 7:10 PM. Motion carried (5-0).
- 6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 620-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER MICAELA CABUTO’S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS’S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7712.000.080.00.115.**

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

7. **DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 621-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER WESLEY AND AMANDA CARR'S REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.7710.000.003.00.115.**

Mayor Burgess presented the item. Councilmember Prazak made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shaw to approve item as stated at 7:12 PM. Motion carried (5-0).

8. **DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 622-2018-01 TO ACCEPT LANDOWNER ROBERT BRIGGS' REQUEST FOR A TRACT OF LAND TO BECOME A PART OF VENUS'S EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, NAMELY; A TRACT IDENTIFIED BY ELLIS COUNTY CAD NUMBER 00.8438.903.002.00.115.**

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

9. **CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENUS, TEXAS CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE CITY ON SATURDAY MAY 5, 2018, TO SUBMIT A PROPOSITION TO REAUTHORIZE A QUARTER CENT SALES TAX FOR STREET MAINTENANCE; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERE TO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

ITEM TABLED

10. **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENUS, JOHNSON AND ELLIS COUNTIES, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD JOINTLY ON SATURDAY MAY 5, 2018 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A THREE (3) CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, (PLACE 3, 4, AND 5) TO THE VENUS CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY SECRETARY TO ENTER INTO A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH THE VENUS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; DESIGNATING THE LOCATION OF THE POLLING PLACES; PROVIDING EARLY VOTING INFORMATION; PROVIDING MAIL BALLOT REQUEST INFORMATION; ORDERING NOTICES OF ELECTION TO BE GIVEN AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH ELECTION.**

ITEM TABLED

11. PRESENTATION OF MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Police Department - Captain James Groom
- Fire Department - Chief Allen
- Public Works and Water/Sewer - Public Works Director Cesar Roca
- Administration - City Administrator Michael Boese

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Monday, January 8, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

No Executive Session

REGULAR SESSION

I. Adjournment: 7:40 PM

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rana Gamel, City Secretary

James Burgess, Mayor