



# REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 08, 2023 at 7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 120 Paint Rock Street, Eden, TX

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## MINUTES

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT

Agapito Torres, Mayor

Jennifer Martinez Council Member

Renae Rodgers Council Member

Grover Hall Council Member

Randy Dunaway Council Member

Bradley Grandy Council Member

#### Staff

Priscilla Aguirre, City Administrator

Barbie Watkins, Assistant to City Administrator

David Hutchings, Public Works

Lisa Torrez, Court Clerk

### 2. INVOCATION

There was a moment of Silence.

### 3. QUALIFY NEWLY APPOINTED OFFICIALS

#### **Administer Oath of Office, Statement of Officer, and submittal of Conflict of Interest: Priscilla Aguirre**

Mayor Torres administered the Oath of Office to Priscilla Aguirre

### 4. WORKSHOP

No action to be taken. Staff reports regarding Current Projects and Plans, Ordinances and Compliance, Water Usage, Grant Opportunities and Status of Current Grants, Economic Development, Business, and Other Agenda Items listed below.

David Hutchings-We are still checking size and type of pipe on the city's side and customer side, also type of meter. Daily readings at the water and sewer plants. Water leak on Concho Street, patching potholes all over town, four sewer stop ups, several animal control calls, mowed and used the weed eater at the water plant, sewer plant, wells, city hall, bar ditches and fire station, pulled sewer pumps at the plant due to trash, meter readings and cutoffs, installed several 5/8 meters, cut down several trees at Pfluger park and hauled off the limbs, pulling sprinkler heads out at the golf course to clean and flush out lines, put new water tap at golf course for a water station, trimmed trees at road ways and signs, filled in several holes on school grounds

Priscilla Aguirre- just a couple of updates, still waiting on contractors for the water plant and well #3 generator project, the project was originally expected to be completed at the end of May or first of June, Our previous deadline for TCEQ was end of June, unfortunately due to the delay of receiving the generators, Lucy with EHT requested an extension, TCEQ has approved the extension; project completion date is December 31, 2023,

we should be receiving the generators at the end of August, Well three has been serviced and is working appropriately, there was no indication that the well was struck by lightning the servicing company stated there was water present in the cable the pump had holes and was worn, the motor was initially installed March of 2021 unfortunately the motor was only covered by a one year warranty with the manufacturer, TWDB contacted us July 31, 2023 stating our application for funding for the drinking water state revolving fund is under technical review, the TWDB is projecting 2.4 million dollars in loan forgiveness and 1.3 million in a zero interest loan, until the project receives a funding commitment from the TWDB budgeted amounts are subject to change, I spoke with Sage earlier this week he did suggest two options for this project; elevated tank storage at the high tower because it is barely meeting TCEQ standards, second is building a common ground storage and second clear well, on August 2, Sage notified us that we were eighth on the drinking water state revolving fund led service line replacement project which potentially qualifies us for \$230,000.00, TCEQ requires a service line inventory for both utility owned and customer service lines with this project and the project must be completed by October 31, 2024, Public works is diligently working on this project and is near completely done, update on USDA, Sage said contracts have been set out, G-works software update, we had our kick off call July 21, and this week we provided them with the number of PC's requiring software installation, they have also tasked us with 6 questionnaires for each software module which we are working on completing, on July 24, I scheduled a health benefits orientation with our TX Health Benefits and requested health benefit plans and options for staff our renewal is coming up August 31, so we should be receiving that soon, also an update to the golf course, the staff has been working at the golf course for the last 3 weeks picking up sprinklers and cleaning out sprinkler heads and basically figuring out which ones are allowing water to come through, so they will continue with that as well

## **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council for the City of Eden has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices, and 551.086 (Economic Development).

## **6. PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS**

Floor open to discussion on any subject. No action may be taken by law. Citizens wishing to speak shall do so after being recognized by the mayor. The Mayor and City Council may establish a time limit as necessary.

Linda Markham spoke about the roads.

## **7. REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF**

A. Eden Economic Development Corporation Monthly Report – Brent Frazier, President-Absent

## **8. CONSENT ITEMS**

A. Approval of City of Eden Investments Report Month Ending July 2023

B. Approval of Financial Statement Month Ending July 2023

Motion to Approve Financial Statement Month Ending June 2023 made by Councilmember Hall, seconded by Rodgers, motion carried 5-0.

## 9. BUSINESS

Consideration and Possible action on:

- A. Councilmember Hall made a motion to approve cashing in CD#36642 Well improvement, \$130,870.78 with a penalty fee of \$92.00 and the remaining \$1385.22 out of pool cash account to pay Jurgensen Pump, LLC invoice of \$132,256.00, seconded by Councilmember Rodgers, motion carried 5/0
- B. Discussion and possible approval of application for permit to keep livestock or poultry within the city limits of Eden, Texas.

Councilmember Gandy made a motion to approve livestock permit, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, motion carried 5/0

- C. Consideration of 2023-2024 Eden Volunteer Fire Department \$15,000.00 grant request

Councilmember Gandy made a motion to approve the Eden FVD 2023-2024 grant request of \$15,000.00, seconded by Councilmember Dunaway, motion carried 5/0

- D. Consideration adoption of Resolution Designating an Official Newspaper for the City of Eden for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Councilmember Gandy made a motion to approve adoption of Resolution Designating Eden Echo as the Official Newspaper for the City of Eden for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, seconded by Councilmember Dunaway, motion carried 5/0

- E. Consider and act upon setting proposed 2022 tax rate and setting times and dates for public hearings if necessary.

Councilmember Hall made a motion to accept the 2022 effective tax rate of .535164, seconded by Councilmember Rodgers, motion carried 5/0

- F. Discuss approved proposal from The Creek regarding the greens at the golf course.

Councilmember Rodgers made a motion to approve proposal from The Creek regarding the greens at the golf course, seconded by Councilmember Martinez, motion carried 4/1

- G. Consideration and possible approval of Management, Maintenance, and Funding of Golf Course

Councilmember Gandy made a motion authorizing the mayor and city administrator to enter negotiations with Dan Olin to provide management, maintenance of the golf course funding by default, seconded by Councilmember Rodgers, motion carried 5/0

- H. Budget Adjustments July 31, 2023

Councilmember Hall made a motion to approve Budget Adjustments July 31, 2023, seconded by Councilmember Rodgers, motion carried 5/0

- I. Approval of July 2023 Bills

Councilmember Rodgers made a motion to approve July 2023 Bills, seconded by Councilmember Dunaway, motion carried 5/0