

# CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

# Tuesday, October 15, 2024 – 6:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.

Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.

# **MINUTES**

#### Call to order and announce a quorum is present.

Mayor Hyman called the meeting of order at 5:59 p.m. and announced a quorum present.

PRESENT
Mayor Brad Hyman
Mayor Pro Tem Mark Huddleston
Councilman Harold Cason
Councilwoman Mary Keys
Councilwoman Rebecca Bailey
City Administrator Craig Lindholm
City Secretary Kathy Lovier
Assistant City Secretary Angie Pike

ABSENT: Councilman Martin Carrascosa

VISITORS: James Whitehurst, Chad Pike, Jennifer Goodson, and Mike Rambin

# **Invocation and Pledges**

City Administrator Lindholm lead with the invocation and pledge.

# **Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes 9/9/2024

Financial reports August and September 2024

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

# **Report on Items of Community Interest**

Mayor Hyman reported City Secretary Lovier had recently married and he made a proclamation that 9/29/24 is Fred Randals Day.

#### **Citizen Participation (3 minutes)**

Mike Rambin spoke in favor of everyone supporting the Franklin County Water District bond on the general election.

#### **Public Hearing**

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a request made by Tim Seymore, owner of The Oaks on 37 Tiny Home and RV Resort to voluntarily annex their property located at 1080 TX 37 S, Mt. Vernon, Texas.

The Mayor closed the Regular Session at 6:07 p.m. and opened the Public Hearing.

No one spoke for or against the voluntary annexation.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m. and opened the Regular Session.

#### **Items to be Considered:**

2. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-15 formalization of already adopted Engineering and Design Standards.

Motion made by Councilman Cason, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

3. Consider and act upon approval of Interlocal Agreement with Franklin County Pct. 2 for roadwork and sideboom work.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

4. Consider and act upon approval of Ordinance 2024-16 The Oaks on 37 Tiny Homes and RV Park voluntary annexation into the city limits.

City Administrator Lindholm advised the Council this is the finalization of the paperwork. This has been a long time coming and we are glad to get this wrapped up and we welcome The Oaks on 37 into the city limits.

Motion made by Councilwoman Bailey, Seconded by Councilwoman Keys. Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

#### Discussion Items and Mayor/Council/City Administrator Reports

Infrastructure, Streets, Parks, Grants

Public Works Director Pike advised that Gadlin Street was complete, Carthel and Arrington project is almost complete then the street repair will begin. There is one piece of sewer line that the utility depart will repair before road work is started. There was a main line break today on Holbrook @ the truck wash and on FM115 toward the lake. CountryFest trash will be removed tomorrow due to water line breaks they were unable to get to

it today. The water plant operator Anthony Dulas will begin on October 21, 2024. All utility workers are now working toward licensing.

Waste Water Plant operator Whitehurst reported that he has finalized an inventory and trying to get needed equipment along with repairing what needs repairing. Office expansion will begin soon.

Administrator Lindholm reported MHS Planners have begun the process of updating our zoning. Stake holder meeting will be after the first of the year. There was a stakeholders meeting for the housing study on 10/9/2024. November's meeting will be moved to the 12th due to the holiday and December's meeting will be canceled unless there is an urgency to meet. The City will be participating in the Christmas parade with a float this year.

# Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston to close the meeting at 6:34 p.m., Seconded by Councilwoman Bailey.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Huddleston, Councilman Cason, Councilwoman Keys, Councilwoman Bailey

/s/ Brad Hyman
Brad Hyman – Mayor