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## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Clemson called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

### PRESENT

*Chairwoman Jorja Clemson  
Council Member Jacquin Headen  
Council Member Bessye Adams*

### CONSENT AGENDA

*Citizens may speak for five minutes on any item on the agenda by completing and submitting a speaker card.*

*Motion to recommend approval to City Council made by Council Member Headen, seconded by Council Member Adams, to approve consent agenda items one through three. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Clemson, Council Member Headen, Council Member Adams. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

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**Approved on Consent Agenda**

2. Reject all Proposals for RFP 24017 for a Library Mobile App

**Approved on Consent Agenda**

3. Reject the bid from RFB #24035 for Cross Connection Control Device Testing & Repairs

**Approved on Consent Agenda**

### INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

4. Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 13, Article XII “Mobile Food Vendors” of the Grand Prairie Code of Ordinances; Providing a Penalty, a Savings Clause, a Severability Clause, and an Effective Date Upon Publication

*Werner Rodriguez, Public Health Manager, informed the Committee about the recent request for proposals for cross-connection testing and repairs that were made by the Public Health and Environmental Quality Department. The city has put backflow valves in place to stop cross-connections with non-potable water sources. Most of the testing of city-owned backflow valves is done in-house, but a contractor is necessary to carry out testing on fire lines and backflow devices in confined spaces. The contract also permits repairs and new device installations. Notice of bid# 24035 was advertised in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and PlanetBids, and distributed to 94*

vendors, including one Grand Prairie vendor and 82 HUB vendors. But, as only one bid was received, which was made after the bid had closed, the staff suggested rejecting it. The bidder requested changes to the bid after the bid had closed. Therefore, the service will need to be rebid. Chairwoman Clemson asked for more information concerning the specific changes. Cindy Mendez, Public Health and Environmental Quality Director mentioned that vendors will now require a permit from the county and city. Furthermore, Tiffany Bull, the Deputy City Attorney, interjected and stated that it would cause our vendors to purchase permits in three different counties as Grand Prairie is situated within three separate counties. Ms. Mendez also explained that there is a difference in fees between pushcart vendors and food trucks. Council Member Headen inquired whether vendors were given any "grandfather privileges" for this new law, to which Ms. Mendez said that they were not. Council Member Headen stated that she believed this matter should be discussed further with the Texas Municipal League and that they should be informed that the law is not working for us. Clemson asked when this law became effective, and Mr. Rodriguez stated that it was effective as of September 1, 2023. Additionally, Clemson asked whether this would affect our Mainstreet Event, and Cheryl DeLeon, the Deputy City Manager, stated that our city staff would be coordinating with them on the requirements needed. Motion to recommend approval to City Council by Council Member Adam, seconded by Council Member Headen. Voting Yea: Chairwoman Clemson, Council Member Headen, Council Member Adams. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*There was no executive session.*

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*There were no citizen comments.*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Chairwoman Clemson adjourned the meeting at 3:24 p.m.*

*The foregoing minutes were approved at the March 4, 2024, Public Safety, Health and Environment Committee meeting.*

  
Jorja Clemson, Chairwoman