

# HEWITT TEXAS

## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

March 06, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Hewitt City Hall, 200 Patriot Court, Hewitt, TX 76643

### MINUTES

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**Steve Fortenberry**, Mayor, Ward 3

**Michael S. Bancale**, Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large – **Vacant**, Council Member, Ward 1

**Johnny Stephens**, Council Member, Ward 1 – **Johnny Price**, Council Member, Ward 2

**Bob Potter**, Council Member, Ward 2 – **Erica Bruce**, Council Member, Ward 3

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

#### REGULAR MEETING - 7:00 PM

#### DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Bancale called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM, declared a quorum of the Council. Mayor Steve Fortenberry was absent.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Bancale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic not already scheduled for a public hearing. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from discussing, responding to, or acting on any comments or items not properly posted on the agenda. [Note: Members of the public who wish to speak must complete a "Public Comment Form" and present it to the City Secretary before the meeting.]

Mayor Pro Tem Bancale read the statement above and inquired if the City Secretary received any public comment forms. The City Secretary received no public comment forms.

#### REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

**1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2023.**

**MOTION:** Council Member Bob Potter moved approval of the minutes as presented but to allow for corrections.

**SECOND:** Council Member Johnny Price

**AYES:** Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSENT:** Fortenberry  
**MOTION PASSED.**

**2. PRESENTATION OF CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT BY CITY ENGINEER MILES WHITNEY, P.E.**

- **UPDATE ON PENDING UTILITY PROJECTS.**
- **UPDATE ON PENDING STREET PROJECTS.**
- **UPDATE ON PENDING DRAINAGE PROJECTS.**

City Engineer Miles Whitney presented a review of the listed projects.

**3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT APPLICATION.**

City Manager Bo Thomas and Fire Chief Jonathan Christian presented.

**MOTION:** Council Member Johnny Price moved approval to authorize the Fire Department to submit a grant application for the SAFER Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

**SECOND:** Council Member Erica Bruce

**AYES:** Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENT:** Fortenberry

**MOTION PASSED.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Council Member Erica Bruce moved to adjourn the Regular meeting at 7:08 PM.

**SECOND:** Council Member Bob Potter

**AYES:** Bruce, Potter, Price, Stephens, and Bancale

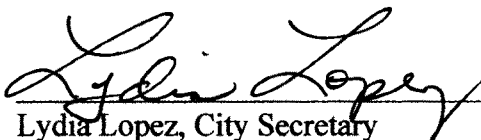
**NAYES:** None

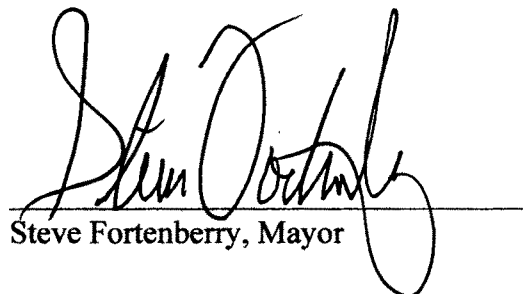
**ABSENT:** Fortenberry

**MOTION PASSED.**

Approved: 03-20-2023

ATTEST:

  
Lydia Lopez, City Secretary

  
Steve Fortenberry, Mayor