REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BLANCO

May 14, 2024 6:00 PM Gem of the Hills, 2233 US Highway 281, Blanco, Texas 78606

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Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the governing body of the City of Blanco will be held on May 14, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Gem of the Hills, 2233 US Highway 281, Blanco, Texas 78606.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

1. Roll Call/Establish a quorum:

Mayor Mike Arnold (Present/Absent)

Mayor Pro-Tem Rodney Thrailkill (Present/Absent)

Council Member Ryan Moses (Present/Absent)

Council Member Mike Smith (Present/Absent)

Council Member Laura Swinson (Present/Absent)

INVOCATION and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 2. Announcements (No Action May Be Taken)
- 3. Public Comments: The City Council welcomes public comments at this point. Speakers must sign up before the meeting begins and indicate the subject the speaker wishes to address. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes each, which cannot be donated from one speaker to another. The Council cannot respond to matters not listed on the agenda until a future meeting.

STAFF PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. City Hall (Warren Escovy, City Administrator)
- 2. Finance, Second Quarter Report (January-March 2024) (Sasha Ricks, Finance Director)
- 3. Police Department, April Monthly Report (Interim Chief/Lt. Jerry Thornhill)

Canvassing of the General Election and Related Determination of Eligibility

CONSENT AGENDA: *The following items may be acted upon in one motion*. No separate discussion or action is necessary unless requested by the Mayor or a Councilmember, in which those items will be pulled for separate consideration.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the April 19, 2024, Special Meeting.
- 3. Approval of Budget Adjustment from Minor Equipment, Account 100-03-5801 to Building Maintenance, Account 100-03-5402 in the amount of \$2,603.00.
- 4. Approval of Ordinance 2024-O-003 General Election Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Official Results of the May 4, 2024, General Election to Elect Three (3) City Council Members.

Oath of Office Administered to Newly Elected Officers.

NEW BUSINESS: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action on the following:

- 1. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action on Possible Vacancy on the Governing Body of the City of Blanco, including Possible Appointment to the Governing Body or Call of Special Election to fill a Vacancy, and any related, required Oath of Office.
- 2. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Mayor Pro-Tem. for the Term May 2024 through May 2025.
- 3. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Resolution 2024-R-011 Amending Resolution 2023-R-007 Designating Persons Authorized to Sign on the City's Depository Accounts as the Official Signatories of the City of Blanco.
- 4. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Street Closures and use of Byars Building for Lavender Festival (June 7-9, 2024), Chamber of Commerce.
- 5. Consideration, Discussion, and Take Possible Action on Approval of Ordinance 2024-O-004 Repeal Ordinance Chapter 7 Health and Sanitation, Height of Weeds and Chapter 3 Animal Control Livestock (Ratifying and Confirming Previous Resolution of Council).
- 6. Consideration Discussion and Take Possible Action on Approval of Six Month Building Rental Contract Between the City and Gem of the Hills in the Amount of \$1,200.00 (June-November 2024) (Council Member Moses).

OLD BUSINESS: Consider, discuss, and take appropriate action on the following:

- 1. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action on Creation of Police Department Incentive Program (Warren Escovy, City Administrator).
- 2. Consideration, Discussion and Take Possible Action on Approval of Resolution 2024-R-012 Performance Guarantee Contract with Performance Services, Inc. (Warren Escovy, City Administrator).

EXECUTIVE SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code: in accordance with the authority contained in the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074.

- 1. Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct; Confer with City Attorney regarding City Water Agreements with Texas Water Company
- 2. Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Confer with City Attorney regarding legal issues associated with the Water Treatment Plant Project; Bids, Contract. Award and Notice to Proceed.
- 3. Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct; Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development Project.
- 4. Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct; Consultation with City Attorney, including but not limited to a) initial officeholder briefing on open government compliance; b) budget process compliance; c) legal review of vendor contracts; and d) potential litigation and other legal matters.
- 5. Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of City Administrator (review of contract).

Take any action as a result of the Executive Session.

Adjournment

This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City of Blanco, Texas' legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of Texas Government Code Chapter 551 by legal counsel and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting, considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy Texas Government Code Chapter 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion.

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items set out in this agenda. The City Council for the City of Blanco has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during this meeting to discuss any matter authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (consultation with Attorney), Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (Real Estate), and Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters). The City Council for the City of Blanco may discuss, consider and/or act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

By: Laurie A. Cassidy, TRMC

City Secretary

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Blanco is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice in the window in the City Hall of said City of Blanco, Texas at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said Notice was posted on the 10th day of May 2024 before 5:00 pm and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting.

By: Laurie A. Cassidy, TRMC

City Secretary