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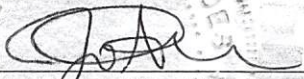
NOTICE is hereby given that the City Commissioner of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Said meeting will be conducted in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall located at 400 S. Ohio, Mercedes, Texas for the purpose of considering and taking formal action regarding the items listed on the attached agenda. For those that would like to participate please join with the following link: JOIN WEBEX <https://cityofmercedes.my.webex.com/cityofmercedes.my/j.php?MTID=m2a9f61963a453d60b516a869b2385301> **Meeting number (access code):** 182 984 0573 **Meeting password:** W4f7NwK3TqY (94376953 from phones) **by phone** 1-469-210-7159 United States Toll (Dallas) +1-415-655-0001

If during the course of this meeting, the City Commission should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the City Commission is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., will be held by the City Commission at the date, hour, and place indicated in this Notice-Agenda or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice/Agenda as the City Commission may conveniently meet in such closed door or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to the section and purpose covered by the following section of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.087. Should any final action, decision, or vote be required in the opinion of the City Commission with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then the final action, decision, or vote shall be either in the open meeting, or at a subsequent public meeting upon notice, therefore, as the City Commission shall determine.

This notice is given in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et. Seq.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY THIS THE 29TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2021.

ATTEST:



Joselynn Castillo, City Secretary
Time of Posting: 2:00 P.M.

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

The City of Mercedes recognizes its obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to provide equal access to individuals with disabilities. Please contact the City Manager's Office at (956) 565-3114 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting with requests for reasonable accommodations, including requests for a sign language interpreter.

MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS

- 1.) Call Meeting to Order.
- 2.) Establish Quorum.
- 3.) Invocation.
- 4.) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5.) Open Forum-

Maximum length of time of forum is forty-five minutes with individual presentations limited to a maximum of five minutes. The City Commission can take no formal action on any city related matter discussed during the open forum. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up as they arrive, indicating the topic about which they wish to speak. No one will be able to sign up **AFTER 5:50 PM**. The information required for signing up must be completed by that time. No public comments will be allowed during any agenda item unless recognized by the Mayor or if the item requires a public hearing. State your name and address before beginning your presentation.

There can be no comments about specific employees. By Charter, the City Manager is exclusively given authority over personnel matters, including complaints against city personnel. All complaints against city personnel will be addressed pursuant to Mercedes Personnel Policies.

Comments must not be repeated and the Commission is not required to answer any question from the public. Any person who decides to directly question any member of the City Commission will be asked to discontinue their comments. The City Secretary's office representative will be responsible for notifying each presenter that their five-minute time limit has expired.

- 6.) Consent Agenda (Ordinance No. 98-21):
 - A.) Approval of Minutes for City Commission meeting held January 19, 2021
 - B.) Approval of Budget Amendment for Public Works to make different purchases.
 - C.) Approval of Authorization # 2021/02/02 to Update the Texas National Bank Signatories.
 - D.) Approval of interlocal cooperation agreement between the county of Hidalgo, Texas and the City of Mercedes, Texas on behalf of Dr. Hector P Garcia Memorial library in order to provide library services to county residents
- 7.) City Manager Comments
- 8.) Discussion and Possible Action to approve Resolution # 2021-02 to submit grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office Criminal Justice Division, Criminal Justice Program FY 2022
- 9.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Grant Reimbursement for Historically Designated Property 337 S. Missouri, Mercedes, Texas
- 10.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding the placement of a mobile home on a property in the Capisallo Terrace Subdivision Unit No. 3
- 11.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding approval of continued agreement in lieu of escrow fee of a fire hydrant for Spearhead Subdivision.
- 12.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding joining the Texas Coalition of Cities for Franchise Utilities (TCCFUI)
- 13.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding engagement of John Milford for Professional Services (Background Checks for City Manager Position)
- 14.) Consideration and Possible Action on a Resolution 2021-03 Authoring the City of Mercedes to join with the Cities served by AEP
- 15.) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval for Purchasing Police Department Uniforms
- 16.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding an agreement with the City of Edinburg to Utilize their Fire Training Facility for Mercedes Fire Department Staff
- 17.) Discussion and Action to Approve a Resolution #2021-04 adopting the Work-plan and Budget for Urban County Program Year 34 (2021)
- 18.) Executive Session:

- A. Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 351.071(2) for purpose of receiving privileged attorney client communications pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071(1) regarding pending and anticipated litigation. (Raybeck Investments, Ltd. and Sec. 351.101 of the Tax Code).
- B. Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 351.071(2) for purpose of receiving privileged attorney client communications pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071(1) regarding pending and anticipated litigation. (possible waiver of privileges related to ongoing investigation).
- C. Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 351.071(2) for purpose of receiving privileged attorney client communications pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071(1) regarding pending and anticipated litigation for the purpose of entering into a contingency fee agreement(s) with Troiani & Sossi, PLLC for ongoing litigation case(s).

19.) Possible Action on Executive Session Items B, and Discussion and Possible Action on item C to enter contingency fee agreements with Troiani & Sossi, PLLC for ongoing litigation.

20.) Adjourn