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Mayor Pro-Tem Joe Martinez
Commissioner Leonel Benavidez

Commissioner Jacob Howell
Commissioner Jose M. Gomez
City Manager Alberto Perez

MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 1, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS
400 S. OHIO AVE., MERCEDES, TX 78570

“At any time during the course of this meeting, the City Commission may retire to Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(2) to confer with its legal counsel on any subject matter on this agenda in which the duty of the attorney to the City Commission under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Further, at any time during the course of this meeting, the City Commission may retire to Executive Session to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more of the exceptions to the Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code.”

- 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.) Items on the Regular Agenda

City Commission encourages members of the public to address items on the Regular Agenda posted for discussion and action. On the day of the meeting by 5:45 p.m., persons wishing to speak may sign up at the City Secretary’s table outside the Council chambers. The City Secretary also will accept e-mail or faxed requests in advance of the meeting. Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes each. Members of the public will be allowed to speak on the specific agenda items that they sign up for a total of 5 minutes at the beginning of the meeting.

Please call the City Secretary’s Office at (956) 565-3114 if we may assist you in participating in the City Commission meetings.

7.) Presentations:

- A.) Texas General Land Office
- B.) Conceptual plans for drainage improvements around Dome area (Martinez & Howell presented by I. Huacuja SWG)
- C.) Drainage improvements near Citizen Collection Station (Martinez & Howell presented by I. Huacuja SWG)
- D.) Conceptual plans for sludge disposal and water reservoir (Martinez & Howell presented by I. Huacuja SWG)

8.) Consent Agenda: *(All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Governing Body and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, if discussion is desired, that item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.)*

- A.) Approval for minutes April 20, 2021 and May 4, 2021
- B.) Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No 2021-04 to Rezone-East Mercedes Lot 8 Blk 4
- C.) Possible Action of Approval of Budget Amendment for the Power Outage Repair at City Hall
- D.) Possible Action of Approval of Budget Amendment for the Library roof
- E.) Approval to dispose of surplus items

9.) City Manager Comments:

- 1.) Discuss outlet mall grand opening
- 2.) Report on how other Cities configure/support EMS
- 3.) Collier Park progress

4.) Fire Training Program 5.) Process for future Agenda Items

10.) Ordinances and Resolutions:

A.) Consideration and Possible Action on Resolution 2021-18 Accepting Stonegarden Grant FY18#3172804

11.) Management Item(s):

- A.) Discussion and Possible Action to appoint or re-appoint 3 seats to the Library Board
- B.) Discussion and Possible Action on Member Renewal for Buildings and Standards Commission
- C.) Discussion and Possible Action to Appointment a New member to the Keep Mercedes Beautiful Committee
- D.) Discussion and Possible Action on EMS Administrator of Record Agreement Responsibilities (Benavidez/Gomez)
- E.) Discussion and Possible Action on Plan of Action for Drainage Improvements as Approved by the Commission 5/18/21 (Benavidez/Gomez)
- F.) Discussion and Possible Action of the possible purchase of a Sandbag machine (Martinez/Howell)
- G.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding the status and/or update of Mercedes Master Parks Plan (Martinez/Howell)
- H.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Emergency Repair for Collapsed Sanitary Sewer Manhole located ½ Mile East
- I.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve of Gorman Rupp Pump for Sanitary Sewer Emergencies
- J.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve of Gorman Rupp Pumps to Alleviate Water Drainage Issues (Emergency)
- K.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve of Backhoe & Motor grader Purchase
- L.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Auctioneer Services with Galindo Auctions LLC
- M.) Discussion and Possible Action on recommendation to remove a DCM Board Member
- N.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Equipment Needs Assessment List

12.) Bids/Contracts:


A.) Discussion and Possible Action to Amend the ERO Contract and status update on the assessment of the Police Department building

13.) Adjournment

Notice is hereby given that the City Commissioners of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, June 1, 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 above. 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 28th DAY OF MAY, 2021.

ATTEST:



Joselynn Castillo, City Secretary
Time of Posting: 7:10 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.

The Commission on the Status of Women was established in 1975 to study and report on the status of women in the United States.

The Commission's mandate is to identify areas of concern and to recommend actions to improve the status of women.

The Commission's work is organized into four main areas: (1) the status of women in the labor force, (2) the status of women in education, (3) the status of women in politics, and (4) the status of women in society.

The Commission's findings are based on a comprehensive review of the literature, as well as on a series of public hearings and consultations with interested parties.

The Commission's report is intended to provide a basis for public discussion and to guide the development of public policy.

The Commission's findings are presented in this report, which is organized into four main parts: (1) the status of women in the labor force, (2) the status of women in education, (3) the status of women in politics, and (4) the status of women in society.

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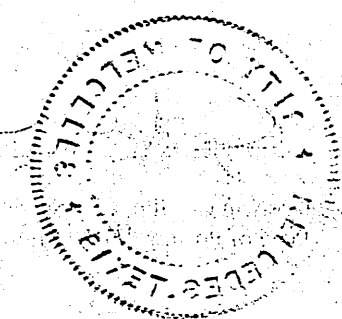
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