

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BURNET
CITY OF MARBLE FALLS**

On this the 7th day of January 2020 the Council of the City of Marble Falls convened in regular session at 6:00 pm at the City Hall Council Chambers located at 800 Third Street, Marble Falls, Texas, with notice of meeting giving time, place, date, and subject having been posted as described in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

PRESENT:

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| John Packer | Mayor |
| William (Dee) Haddock | Councilmember |
| Craig Magerkurth | Councilmember |
| Celia Merrill | Councilmember |
| Reed Norman | Councilmember |
| Dave Rhodes | Councilmember |

ABSENT:

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| Richard Westerman | Mayor Pro-Tem |
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STAFF:

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| Mike Hodge | City Manager |
| Caleb Kraenzel | Assistant City Manager |
| Christina McDonald | City Secretary |
| Patty Akers | City Attorney |
| James Kennedy | Director of Public Works |
| Jay Everett | Assistant Director of Public Works |
| Mark Whitacre | Chief of Police |
| Kacey Paul | City Engineer |
| Russell Sander | Fire Chief |
| Tommy Crane | Fire Marshal |
| Lacey Dingman | Parks and Recreation Director |
| Christian Fletcher | Executive Director Marble Falls EDC |
| Midge Dockery | EDC Business Development Coordinator |

VISITORS: Rene Rosales (Planning and Zoning Commissioner), Lauren McAndrews, Director of Development Opportunities for WBC, John Kemper, Lindsay Plante (Los Escondidos), Jarod Metzgar (Marble Falls/Lake LBJ Chamber of Commerce), Johnny Campbell (Marble Falls Area EMS), Brittany Buff (LCRA), Michael Glaris (Volkert), Susan Patton (LCRA), Stanley and Becky Knight (Los Escondidos), Alex Copeland (The Tribune), Tom and Patty Bornschein (1044 Los Escondidos)

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT.** Mayor Packer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **INVOCATION.** Councilmember Rhodes gave the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE TEXAS FLAG.

Mayor Packer led the pledges.

4. UPDATES, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- **Update from the Marble Falls Economic Development Corporation.** Christian Fletcher, Executive Director gave the update.
- **Update from the Marble Falls Area EMS.** Johnny Campbell, Executive Director provided the update.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS. Lauren McAndrews Director of Development for Opportunities for WBC addressed Council about the programs the OWBC offers in the community.

6. CONSENT AGENDA.

- (a) Approval of the minutes of the December 3, 2019 regular meeting and the December 19, 2019 special meeting.**

Councilmember Haddock made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Merrill seconded the motion and the consent agenda was approved by a vote of 6-0.

7. REGULAR AGENDA.

- (a) Discussion and Action regarding approval of the contract for engineering services for rehabilitation of the original clarifier and expansion of the outgoing pumping capacity at the Water Treatment Plant.** Kacey Paul, City Engineer addressed Council. Representatives from Trihydro were present. Councilmember Merrill made a motion to approve the contract with Trihydro and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and carried by a unanimous vote (6-0).

- (b) Discussion and Action on the approval of the dedication of two Aerial Electric Line Easements and Right-Of-Way by the City of Marble Falls to the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA).** Caleb Kraenzel, Assistant City Manager addressed Council. Councilmember Haddock made a motion to act favorably on the dedication of two Aerial Electric Line Easements and Right-Of-Way by the City of Marble Falls to the Lower Colorado River Authority and accept LCRA's offer in the amount of \$78,266,000/ Councilmember Norman seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

- (c) Discussion and Action regarding the annexation of Los Escondidos.** Mike Hodge, City Manager stated this item has been placed on the agenda to discuss the annexation of Los Escondidos. Mr. Hodge stated that Robert Ruff (resident of Los Escondidos) who offered in an open meeting to pay the City's debt related to the Los Escondidos water system has rescinded his offer. Several residents of Los Escondidos were present. Council stated that

they were not interested in proceeding with annexation at this time. There was brief discussion regarding moving forward with a rate study. No action was taken.

8. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Mike Hodge gave an update on Christmas events.

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

CLOSE OPEN SESSION AND CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to §551.07 (*Private Consultation between the Council and its Attorney*) and §551.072 (*Deliberation regarding the Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Value of Real Property*) and of the Open Meetings Act. *Tex. Gov't Code*, Council will meet in Executive Session to discuss the following:

- Consultation with City Attorney regarding Los Escondidos Annexation
- Consultation with City Attorney regarding Buena Vista properties

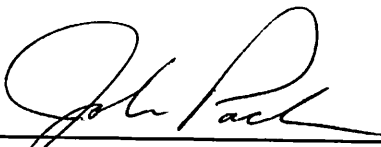
7:20 pm Convened to Executive Session

7:49 pm Returned to Open Session

10. **RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION RESULTING FROM ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.** No action was taken.

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.** The draft agenda for the January 21, 2020 meeting was reviewed.

12. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Norman made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Merrill. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.



John Packer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Christina McDonald, TRMC
City Secretary