



# **CITY OF CUERO**

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

### **SEPTEMBER 12, 2022**

9/12/2022 - Minutes

#### **1. Call To Order And Announce A Quorum Is Present**

Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Members present: Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Matthys, Councilmembers John Fuqua, Emil Garza, Terry Glover and Tony Allen. Councilmember Mitch Adams was out of town.

Staff Present: City Attorney James Crain, City Manager Raymie Zella, Finance Director Connie Hawes, Utility Supervisor Wayne Berger, Assistant to the Utility Supervisor Rhonda Stastny, Parks Supervisor David Danish, Museum Manager Amber Fitts, Police chief Jay Lewis, and City Secretary Jennifer Zufelt.

#### **2. Invocation**

City Attorney James Crain gave the Invocation.

#### **3. Pledge Of Allegiance**

Councilmember Emil Garza led the pledges.

#### **4. Public Comments**

Turkeyfest President Brenda Martin spoke about the 50th Anniversary of the Turkeyfest coming up and some of the events. There are 60 people riding the bus to Worthington, MN. for the King Turkey Days with others flying or driving.

#### **5. Presentation And Recognitions**

##### **5.1. Introduction Of New Cuero Development Corporation Director, Mrs. Maggie Cromeens.**

Cuero Development Director Bobby Seiferman introduced Maggie Cromeens as the new incoming Director.

#### **6. Public Hearing**

Mayor Meyer opened the Public Hearing at 5:10 PM

**6.1. Public Hearing On A Request From On A Request To Close/Abandon An Undeveloped Alley Located In A Portion Of Block 15, North Fields, Behind 603 E Second Street. The Alley Runs In A Easterly/Westerly Direction Between N. Henry Street And N. Valley Streets.**

Applicant, Mrs. Boehl and her son was present. Councilmember Tony Allen stated he went by and couldn't see where there had ever been an alley.

**7. Council Consideration And Action Items**

**7.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Texas Hero Memorial Foundation For Event In The Municipal Park.**

Park Supervisor David Danish presented Hero Fest Application to Council stating the event is September 24, 2022. they will be having a Wall of Honor, Sky Divers will be jumping at approximately 2:00 pm, and they are asking to land on Fairway 8 or the Knoll. To go plates will be given free to First Responders and plates will be sold to public. Broadway gate will be closed. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve the event at the park and allowing the sky divers to land on the knoll, not the fairway. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7.2. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Texas Hero Fest For Hotel Motel Tax.**

Peggy Mayer presented her Hotel/Motel fund application to the Council for the Hero Fest. They are asking for \$15,000. Council asked for an updated budget at next meeting. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve the request for \$15,000 from the Hotel/Motel Funds. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7.3. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On A Request From The Tri-City Empowerment Council To Close Streets For A Festival To Be Held At Daule Park On October 8, 2022.**

Viola Holman presented to Council her application for the use of Daule Park for the first annual Gospel Fest to be held October 8, 2022 from 12:00 - 10:00 pm. she is requesting that Milligan, Center and Bridge Streets be blocked off for the event. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Allen to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7.4. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On A Request From The Stephenson Unit To Hold A Car Show And Cookoff In The Municipal Park.**

Park Supervisor David Danish presented a request from the Stephenson Unit to have a Cookoff and Car show at the Municipal Park on October 15, 2022 from 12:00-5:00 pm. The Broadway gate will be closed but all others will remain open. Motion to approve the request made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Allen. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7.5. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Main Street Director For Temporary Street Closure From Friday, October 21, 2022 Through Monday October 24, 2022.**

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve the request for the closure of Market Days event on October 22, 2022. Streets to be closed will be the 200 Block of East Main, South Gonzales from E. Main to W. North Railroad Streets. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7.6. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Participating In The National Fitness Campaign Through Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Texas.**

Rhonda Stastny informed Council of a fitness campaign that Blue Cross/Blue Shield is doing across the Nation. The City can apply for a grant to participate. Equipment would be installed at the Municipal Park and City would be required to match the grant money if awarded. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Garza to make application. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 8. Emergency Reading Of An Ordinance

### 8.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Ordinance No. 2022- 14, Amending The FY 2021-2022 Budget

Finance Director presented the FY 2021-2022 second budget amendment to Council. A couple errors were found. Motion made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to approve Ordinance No. 2022-14 with the corrections. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 9. First Reading Of An Ordinance

### 9.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On First Reading Ordinance No. 2022-15, A Request To Abandon A 20 Foot Wide Alley In Block 15 Of The Northfields Subdivision, Lying Within The Corporate Limits Of The City Of Cuero.

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve Ordinance No. 2022-15, first reading. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 10. Second Reading Of An Ordinance

### 10.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CUERO (“CITY”) ADOPTING A REDISTRICTING PLAN ESTABLISHING NEW COUNCIL DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO ART 11, § 2.05 OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER; DELINEATING THE NEW BOUNDARIES FOR THE REVISED FOUR (4) SINGLE MEMBER CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS AND IDENTIFYING THE AT LARGE DISTRICTS (“DISTRICTS”); REQUIRING THE OFFICIAL MAP OF THE REVISED DISTRICTS BE CREATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF THE CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE; REQUIRING ONE (1) PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD PRIOR TO THE FIRST OF THE TWO (2) READINGS OF THE ORDINANCE; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORDINANCE AND MATTERS ATTENDANT THERETO BY ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE; DECLARING A PUBLIC PURPOSE; PRO

Motion made by Councilmember Fuqua, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2022-10, redistricting. Record vote was taken.

Councilmember Fuqua, District 1 Aye  
Aye

Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, At Large

Councilmember Garza, At Large Aye  
Aye

Councilmember Glover District 2

Councilmember Allen, District 3 Aye  
Aye

Mayor Sara Post Meyer

## 11. Resolutions

### 11.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Resolution No. 2022- 26, Authorizing Professional Service Provider Selection (Administration Services) For Community Development Block Grant MIT-MOD Programs Through The Texas General Land Office.

Motion made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys to approve Resolution No. 2022-26 awarding the Professional Service Provider administration services to Public Management. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **12. Reports**

### **12.1. Report On The 150th Anniversary And Update On Pharmacy Museum Repairs.**

Museum Director Amber Fitts gave update on the repairs at the Pharmacy Museum and some tentative plans for the 150th Anniversary of Cuero. Council asked that she bring and itemized list of cost for the anniversary and a final logo.

### **12.2. Report From Public Works Supervisor Wayne Berger On Streets To Be Seal Coated.**

Utility Supervisor Wayne Berger gave updated report on the streets to be seal coated and time line.

### **12.3. Report On Library Summer Programs & Staycations Programs**

Reports were reviewed by Council.

### **12.4. Report On Meeting With Pet Adoptions Of Cuero.**

Connie Hawes reported on her meeting that was held with Police Chief Jay Lewis and Linda Anzaldua, Owner of Pet Adoptions of Cuero stating the Mrs. Anzaldua was asking for two part time employees instead of a full time and part time. They will be City employees and will assist at the Cuero Animal Shelter also and wear City of Cuero Shirts.

### **12.5. City Manager Updates On Main Street Walkway And Other City Projects**

City Manger, Raymie Zella reported that walkway completion has been delayed due to the weather.

The sidewalk along the park has been completed and are planning the installation of a decorative fence.

## **13. Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Glover, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **13.1. City Council Minutes 8/8/2022, 8/22/2022**

### **13.2. Building Department Monthly Report**

### **13.3. Library Monthly Report**

### **13.4. DeWitt County Appraisal District Monthly Report**

### **13.5. Municipal Court Monthly Report**

## **14. Items Of Community Interest**

Fall Clean up Week October 24-29th.

KCB Clean Sweep October 22, 2022

**15. Adjourn**

Mayor Meyer adjourned the meeting at 7:07 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022

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SARA POST MEYER, MAYOR

ATTEST;

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JENNIFER ZUFELT, CITY SECRETARY