## PALM VALLEY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING February 15, 2022

The City Council of the City of Palm Valley met in a Regular Meeting on the 15th day of February 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 1313 N. Stuart Place Road, Palm Valley, Texas. (ZOOM videoconferencing was available for the public).

Council members present:

Mayor George Rivera

Councilman Jerry Wade

Councilman Eric Hoff

Councilwoman Cynthia Thompson

Councilman Michael Galvan (arrived @ 6:12 p.m.)

VIA ZOOM

Councilwoman Lisa Taylor

Jason Mann, City Attorney

City Secretary: Sylvia R. Trevino (in person)

Staff present (all in person):

Chief A. R. Garcia

Rosendo Flores, Director of Public Works

Jose Rivera, Support Services Aide

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rivera.
- 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The Pledge of Allegiance followed led by Mayor Rivera.
- **3. LEGISLATIVE PRAYER -** The Legislative Prayer was recited by Councilwoman Thompson.
- 4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** None
- 5. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2022, APPROVED

With no corrections to be made, Councilwoman Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes.

Councilman Wade seconded the motion.

Mayor Rivera took the votes and the motion carried unanimously by all present.

## 6. CONTRACT WITH HARLINGEN IRRIGATION DISTRICT CAMERON COUNTY #1 FOR WATER ALLOTMENT APPROVED

City Attorney Mann explained that the contract presented at the last meeting did not have a term and he has amended the contract to include a term and has sent it to the District's attorney for consideration. He suggested approving the contract assuming the District signs it.

Councilwoman Taylor clarified that the term was for 40 years, and the City has the right to terminate. The Council would need to review the rates annually prior to budget consideration in the event there was an increase in the rates. Only the City has the right to terminate. The City Council could set a rate that could properly set the budget.

Councilman Hoff made a motion to approve the contract.

Councilman Wade commented that the City does not have another source for water. Mayor Rivera explained that in 2015 this contract acquired so many cubic feet of water that gets delivered to Harlingen Waterworks and we get billed for the treatment of that water. Harlingen Waterworks does an increase every two to three years and they bill the City accordingly. Jason Mann added that this contract utilizes a higher cubic ft. allotment. This just guarantees that the City of Palm Valley never runs out of water.

Councilman Wade seconded the motion.

Mayor Rivera took the votes and the motion carried unanimously by those present.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. ORDINANCE ADOPTED ORDERING/CALLING A GENERAL ELECTION ON MAY 7, 2022, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE COUNCILMEMBERS, ONE EACH FOR PLACE 1, PLACE 2 AND PLACE 4.
- B. LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PALM VALLEY FOR ONE (1) AUTOMARK FOR USE IN THE CITY'S GENERAL ELECTION ON MAY 7, 2022, APPROVED.
- C. RESOLUTION APPROVED REGARDING THE REVIEW OF THE CITY OF PALM VALLEY'S INVESTMENT POLICY.
- D. ORDINANCE ADOPTED TO PARTIALLY AMEND CHAPTER 50: WATER AND SEWER RATES SUBSECTION 50.01 AND SUBSECTION 50.02 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALM VALLEY AS IT RELATES TO BACKFLOW TESTING AND SEWER RATES.
- E. Police Monthly Report January 2022
- F. Municipal Court Monthly Report January 2022
- G. Monthly Investment Report January 2022
- H. Monthly financial report January 2022
- I. Monthly check listings January 2022
- J. Council/staff liaison reports.

There being no discussion of the Consent Agenda, Councilman Wade made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilwoman Thompson seconded the motion.

Mayor Rivera took the votes and the motion carried unanimously by those present.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. upon a motion by Councilman Hoff and a second by Councilwoman Thompson.

George Rivera, Mayor

Attest:

Sylvia R. Trevino, City Secretary