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CITY COUNCIL:

MAYOR: Aaron Groff	MAYOR PRO-TEM: Joel Patterson	COUNCIL MEMBER: Kent Pool
COUNCIL MEMBER: Jason Knappe	COUNCIL MEMBER: Abhijeet Utturkar	COUNCIL MEMBER: Debra Cates
	COUNCIL MEMBER: Christina Baron	COUNCIL MEMBER: Sarah B. Johnson

STAFF:

CITY MANAGER: Jack Harper	CITY SECRETARY: Mariela Rodriguez	CITY ATTORNEY: Byron Brown
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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
February 12, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR GROFF AT THE CITY OF FULSHEAR MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, 6611 W. CROSS CREEK BEND LANE, FULSHEAR, TEXAS AT 5:30 P.M.

II. QUORUM AND ROLL CALL

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

*AARON GROFF
SARAH B. JOHNSON
ABHIJEET UTTURKAR
JOEL PATTERSON
CHRISTINA BARON
JASON KNAPE
DEBRA CATES*

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

KENT POOL

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

*MARIELA RODRIGUEZ
KATIE LEWIS
ZACH GOODLANDER
BYRON BROWN*

JOSH GREEN
SHARON VALIANTE
KENNY SEYMOUR
JOSH BROTHERS
CLIFF BROUHARD
ERIN TUREAU
KIMBERLY KOPECKY
JESUS ESCOBAR
ANNEL GUADALUPE
TIFFANY STODDER
LANCE HALL'
JESSIKA VILLARREAL
RODRIGO RODRIGUEZ
MORGAN EARLY
MARIAH GALLEGOS
HEIDY TAYLOR
MEREDITH DUSEK
MIKE MCCOY
KEVIN ZEISCHANG
BILL HENRY
KRISTI BRASHEAR
CARLOS CARCENA
HADEN FARR
MISSY ORTIZ

OTHERS PRESENT:

KAYE KAHLICH
AND 6 OTHERS THAT DID NOT SIGN IN.

III. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL RELATING TO AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS. SPEAKERS ARE ADVISED THAT COMMENTS CANNOT BE RECEIVED ON MATTERS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF A PUBLIC HEARING ONCE THE HEARING HAS BEEN CLOSED. SPEAKERS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER IN ADVANCE AND MUST LIMIT THEIR COMMENTS TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

SARAH JOHNSON, STUDENT AT JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL, INVITED COUNCIL AND THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND THE KATY LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO AND SHOW SUPPORT TO THE JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL FFA CHAPTER.

TYLER CLINE - FFA MEMBER, ASKING FOR SUPPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY AND WENT OVER THE FFA SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF THE KATY LIVESTOCK SHOW AND RODEO.

MAYOR GROFF CONGRATULATED THE JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL AND FULSHEAR HIGH SCHOOL CHEER TEAMS ON THEIR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT (CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE), CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY. A GOVERNMENTAL BODY MAY NOT CONDUCT A PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ITS ATTORNEY EXCEPT: (1) WHEN THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY SEEKS THE ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY ABOUT: (A) PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; OR (B) A SETTLEMENT OFFER; OR (2) ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER KNAPE TO MOVE INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER UTTURKAR. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BARON, CATES, JOHNSON, PATTERSON, UTTURKAR, KNAPE

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: POOL

MOTION APPROVED

MAYOR GROFF ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:35PM

MAYOR GROFF RECONVENED THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 5:59PM

- B. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT (CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE), DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE**
- **CITY MANAGER**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER KNAPE TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 551.074 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE RELATED TO THE CITY MANAGER. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BARON, CATES, JOHNSON, PATTERSON, UTTURKAR, KNAPE

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: POOL

MOTION APPROVED

MAYOR GROFF INVITED JACK HARPER INTO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING, JACK HARPER ACCEPTED.

MAYOR GROFF ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:00PM

MAYOR GROFF RECONVENED THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 6:31PM

V. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT (CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE), CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY. A GOVERNMENTAL BODY MAY NOT CONDUCT A PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH ITS ATTORNEY EXCEPT: (1) WHEN THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY SEEKS THE ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY ABOUT: (A) PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; OR (B) A SETTLEMENT OFFER; OR (2) ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE**

NO ACTION

- B. PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT (CHAPTER 551, GOVERNMENT CODE), DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE**
- **CITY MANAGER**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER KNAPE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1449 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FULSHEAR, TEXAS, REMOVING AND TERMINATING THE EMPLOYMENT OF JACK HARPER AS CITY MANAGER AND MAKING FINDINGS OF GOOD CAUSE THEREFOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. IT WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO-TEM PATTERSON. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: BARON, UTTURKAR, KNAPE, CATES, PATTERSON, JOHNSON

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: POOL

MOTION APPROVED

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER KNAPE TO ADJOURN. IT WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER UTTURKAR. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BARON, CATES, JOHNSON, KNAPE, PATTERSON, UTTURKAR

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: POOL

MOTION APPROVED

MAYOR GROFF ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:33 PM

AARON GROFF, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARIELA RODRIGUEZ, CITY SECRETARY