



March 5, 2024

Regular City Council Meeting 6:30 PM

GODLEY CITY COUNCIL



CITY OF GODLEY, TEXAS
City Council Meeting Agenda
Regular Session – 6:30 p.m.
March 5, 2024

The Godley City Council will hold a Regular Session at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 200 W. Railroad Ave., Godley, Texas on Tuesday, March 5, 2024. This meeting is open to the public and subject to the Open Meeting Act. *Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the Council may convene an Executive Session at any time during the meeting as deemed necessary to obtain advice from the City Attorney regarding any posted agenda item.*

REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Call to order and announce a quorum is present.

II. INVOCATION

Pastor Arlan Landers, Movement City Church

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

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V. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Eliza Duncan, Holiday Events Committee; providing an update

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda are routine and administrative in nature. As such, these items are considered for approval by a single motion and vote without discussion. Council Members can remove an item or items from the agenda, so it can be considered separately, and/or add any item to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda.

- A. Discuss and possible action on approval of the Godley City Council minutes from the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2024.**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and take possible action on approving Resolution No 03-2024-07 appointing an Election Judge for the May 2024 election.**
- B. Discussion and take possible action on approving Resolution No 03-2024-08 appointing a Communication Director for the City of Godley.**

VIII. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Items of community interest include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognitions of city officials, employees, or citizens; reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the city or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a city official or employee; and announcements involving imminent threats to the public health and safety.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to the TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, Chapter 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney on pending or contemplated litigation, settlement officer, or a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas

clearly conflict with Chapter 551) Section 551.072 (discussions about the value or transfer of real property); Section 551.073 (discussions about a prospective gift or donation to a governmental body); Section 551.074 (discussions about security, employment, evaluation reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee) Section 551.076 (discussion about security, personnel, security devices, or a security audit), Section 551.087 (discussions of certain economic development matters), Section 418.0183 (f) (discussion of emergencies and disasters) of the Texas Government Code (Texas Disaster Act), executive session may be held, under these exceptions, at any time during the meeting that a need arises for the city council to discuss posted subject matter of this city council meeting.

Reconvene into open session for possible action resulting from any items posted and legally discussed in executive session.

1. Section 551.071 Consultations with Attorney;
2. Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property;
3. Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts;
4. Section 551.074 Personnel Matters;
5. Section 551.076 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits;
6. Section 551.087 Discussion Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

X. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Section 551.071 Consultations with Attorney;
2. Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property;
3. Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts;
4. Section 551.074 Personnel Matters;
5. Section 551.076 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits;
6. Section 551.087 Discussion Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

ADJOURNMENT

Certification:

I hereby certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board, at the Godley City Hall, 200 West Railroad Ave., Godley, Texas 76044, on March, 2024 5:05 am/pm and remained so posted at least 72 hours before said meeting was convened. **NOTICE:** Godley City Hall is wheelchair accessible and special parking is available at the Front of the of the building. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office a minimum of 24 hours before the meeting and every effort will be made to provide reasonable accommodations.

Brittany Gross
Brittany Gross, City Secretary

Certification of Notice of Meeting was removed on _____, 2024 at _____ a.m. /p.m. by _____.

Godley, Texas City Council

AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: March 5, 2024

Agenda Item: VI. A.

Staff Contact: Brittany Gross, City Secretary

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SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action on approval of the Godley City Council minutes from the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2024.

BACKGROUND:

Attached are the minutes from the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2024

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends council consider approval of the minutes.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Minutes from the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2024.

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION HELD, Tuesday, February 20, 2024
at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council chambers, at 200 W. Railroad Ave., Godley, Texas 76044.**

City Council Members Present: Christopher Lenker, Mayor
Michael Papenfuss, Mayor Pro Tem
Roger Cornelison, City Council Member
Scott Yarbrough, City Council Member
Gabrielle Mize, City Council Member
Misty Rodriguez, City Council Member

City Staff Present: Brittany Gross, City Secretary
Angela Winkle, City Administrator
Dean Roggia, City Attorney
Brian Thompson, Fire Chief
Thomas McDough, Public Works

Absent: Matthew Cantrell, Police Chief

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Christopher Lenker called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 6:30p.m., announced that himself, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss, Council member Roger Cornelison, Council member Scott Yarbrough, Council member Misty Rodriguez and Council member Gabrielle Mize were present. Announced a quorum was present.

INVOCATION

Pastor Darren Schroeder, Godley Church of Christ

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Christopher Lenker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

PUBLIC INPUT

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MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Presentation: Calen Bullard, Pecan Valley Centers, Veteran Services Program
Mayor Lenker; Godley Cleburne Railroaders Night and Discussion with Commissioner Bailey about road repair

CONSENT AGENDA

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A. Discuss and possible action on approval of the Godley City Council minutes from the Regular meeting held on February 20, 2024.

Council member Michael Papenfuss made the motion to approve the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting held on February 20, 2024, second by Council member Gabrielle Mize.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes with corrections . Motion carried 5-0.

B. Staff Reports

- a. **Police Department**
- b. **Fire Department**
- c. **Public Works**
- d. **City Secretaries Office**
 - i. **Municipal Court**
 - ii. **Developments**
 - iii. **Utility Billing**
- e. **City Administrator**

Staff reports were given by staff.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor called to move items B and F to first of New Business.

B. Discussion and take possible action on the cost for the upgrade and separation of the city and Police from the current server and various changes to the IT Infrastructure, for CJIS Compliance and Johnson County SO compliance to participate in the Communications and CAD Services Project.

Discussion on the cost for the upgrade and separation of the city and Police from the current server and various changes to the IT Infrastructure, for CJIS Compliance and Johnson County SO compliance to participate in the Communications and CAD Services Project. Council member Misty Rodriguez made a motion to approve Quote 1488 the cost for the upgrade and separation of the city and the Police from the current server and various changes to the IT Infrastructure, for CJIS Compliance and Johnson County SO compliance to participate in the Communications and CAD Services Project and compliance with Homeland Security, second by Council member Gabrielle Mize.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted 5-0 to approve Quote 1488 the cost for the upgrade and separation of the city and the Police from the current server and various changes to the IT Infrastructure, for CJIS Compliance and Johnson County SO compliance to participate in the Communications and CAD Services Project and compliance with Homeland Security. Motion carried 5-0.

F. Discussion and take possible action a contract for IT Services with Axios Group.

Discussion of the contract for IT services with Axios Group. Council member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to approve the contract for IT services with Axios Group, second Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted unanimously to approve the contract for IT services with Axios Group. Motion carried 5-0.

A. Discuss and take possible action adopting Resolution No. 02-2024-05 providing Rules of Conduct and Procedures for the City Council.

Discussion about the Resolution 02-2024-05 providing Rules of Conduct and Procedures for the City Council. Council member Misty Rodriguez made the motion to approve the Resolution 02-2024-05 providing Rules of Conduct and Procedures for the City Council with corrections to 2.6b add plus State Law, Absence 2.11- submit absences to the City Administrator and Mayor and Strike 3.2b Mandates, second by Council member Gabrielle Mize.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted 5-0 to approve Resolution No. 02-2024-05 providing Rules of Conduct and Procedures for the City Council. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Discussion and Possible Action on Third-Party Investigation into Audio Recordings Pertaining to the Godley Police Department. (Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss)

Greg Cooper requested to speak on this item discussin challenges within the City and departments. City Administrator Angela Winkle provided an update to the City Council on the response from the Texas Rangers. The Texas Rangers require you to submit to the DA's office and a criminal act must be present. Discussion about the third-party investigation into the audio recordings pertaining to the Godley Police Department.

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss made a motion to call in Scott Morgan to sign an affidavit that the audio recordings are true and correct and to call the FBI tomorrow, second by Roger Cornelison.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- no
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – no
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- no
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes**

Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes

Council voted 3-2 against the motion for Scott Morgan to sign an affidavit that the audio recordings are true and correct and to call the FBI tomorrow. Motion carried 3-2.

Council member Gabrielle Mize made a motion to move to Executive Session, second by Council member Scott Yarbrough.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted 5-0 to convene into Executive Session.

At 9:53p.m. Mayor Lenker announced Council would convene into Executive Session for Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney; pending legal matters or contemplated Litigation at this time.

Pursuant to the TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, Chapter 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, Section 551.071(consultation with attorney on pending or contemplated litigation, settlement officer, or a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflict with Chapter 551) Section 551.072 (discussions about the value or transfer of real property); Section 551.073 (discussions about a prospective gift or donation to a governmental body); Section 551.074 (discussions about security, employment, evaluation reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee) Section 551.076 (discussion about security, personnel, security devices, or a security audit), Section 551.087 (discussions of certain economic development matters), Section 418.0183 (f) (discussion of emergencies and disasters) of the Texas Government Code (Texas Disaster Act), executive session may be held, under these exceptions, at any time during the meeting that a need arises for the city council to discuss posted subject matter of this city council meeting.

1. *Section 551.071 Consultations with Attorney; pending legal matters or contemplated litigation VII.*
2. *Section 551.072 Deliberation about Real Property;*
3. *Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts;*
4. *Section 551.074 Personnel Matters*
5. *Section 551.076 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits*
6. *Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.*

At 10:29pm Council reconvened into open session with no action from Executive Session.

D. Discussion on Street Maintenance Funds (Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss)

Discussion on amount to fix the roads. Mayor Michael Papenfuss recommended 2 million for road repairs. No action was taken.

E. Discuss and take possible action adopting Resolution No. 02-2024-06 authorizing the City Secretary to execute a joint election agreement with Godley Independent School District.

Discussion on the joint election agreement with the Godley Independent School District. Council Member Scott Yarbrough made a motion to approve Resolution 02-2024-06 authorizing the City

Secretary to execute a joint election agreement with the Godley Independent School District, second by Council Member Misty Rodriguez.

**Council voted: Council Member Scott Yarbrough- yes
Council Member Misty Rodriguez – yes
Council Member Gabrielle Mize- yes
Council Member Roger Cornelison-yes
Mayor Pro Tem Michael Papenfuss- yes**

Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 02-2024-06 authorizing the City Secretary to execute a joint election agreement with Godley Independent School District. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Items of community interest include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognitions of city officials, employees, or citizens; reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the city or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a city official or employee; and announcements involving imminent threats to the public health and safety.

None

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business Mayor Lenker adjourned the meeting at 11:05 p.m.

Mayor Christopher Lenker

ATTEST:

Brittany Gross, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2024-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GODLEY, TEXAS, APPOINTING AN ELECTION JUDGE FOR THE ELECTION ORDERED ON MAY 4, 2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Godley, Texas (the “City”), is a Type A general-law municipality located in Johnson county, created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code (the “Code”) specifies that the first Saturday in May shall be a “uniform election date” and that a general election may be held on such day; and

WHEREAS, state law requires that a general election be held; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2024, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 01-2024-108 ordering a general election and a special local option election to take place on May 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 32 of the Code requires that a political subdivision appoint an election judge for either a single election or definite term not to exceed two years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City to appoint an election judge for the May 2024 general and special local option election.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GODLEY, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

All the above premises are true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council, and they are hereby approved, ratified, and incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2.

The following named individual is hereby appointed to serve as Presiding Election Judge at the Election:

Presiding Election Judge

Name: Elaine Finely

The Presiding Election Judge shall be a qualified voter of the City. The City Secretary shall deliver to the Presiding Election Judge notice of their appointment not later than twenty (20) days from the effective date of this Resolution.

SECTION 3.

The Presiding Election Judge for the polling place shall appoint election clerks and as many additional clerks as are necessary for the proper conduct of the Election. Provided, however, three (3) clerks shall be the maximum number of clerks which may be appointed to serve at the polling place. The Judge shall make a reasonable effort to appoint at least one (1) bilingual election clerk.

SECTION 4.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 5TH DAY OF MARCH, 2024.

APPROVED:

Christopher Lenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittany Gross, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 03-2024-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GODLEY, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE AS THE OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR OF THE CITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Godley, Texas (the “City”), is a Type A general-law municipality located in Johnson county, created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is necessary to have one person responsible for the official communications made on behalf of the City to effectively provide the most accurate information to the public; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the City to designate an official communications director for this purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GODLEY, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

All the above premises are true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council, and they are hereby approved, ratified, and incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2.

The City Administrator, or his or her designee, is hereby appointed as the official Communications Director for the City of Godley. The Communications Director is responsible for, and has complete control over, any and all official communications on behalf of the City of Godley. This includes maintaining any official social media account created on behalf of the City, such as Facebook, Instagram, X, etc. as well as all other official City public and emergency communications.

SECTION 3.

This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 5TH DAY OF MARCH, 2024.

APPROVED:

Christopher Lenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brittany Gross, City Secretary