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The public was permitted to offer public comments Videoconference as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. Written questions or comments may be submitted to City Secretary norma.garcia@gregorytx.com up to two hours before the meeting. There was none. A recording of the Videoconference meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

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The Regular Meeting was held on October 4, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Gregory Housing Authority located at 103 Granajo Street.



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Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jeronimo B. Garcia at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Alderman Pablo Martinez - Zoom
Alderman Christopher Flores - AX
Alderman George Hernandez

Alderman Alvaro Lopez, Jr. - Zoom
Mayor Pro-Tem Odilia Reyes

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Ms. Linda Valencia, asked if the city had good drainage system for the Splash pad. “Franklin doesn’t and some houses on the left side have flooding and mosquitos”.

Noberta Zambrano, 509 E Fourth – commented she was a member of the Park Advisory Board along with Mrs. Amelia Flores. They had budgeted \$35,000 for a new roof for the pavilion. This is used as a bus stop for school children. The restrooms need to be ADA approved. Tables have been replaced and were funded by Cheniere and Mr. Dawson volunteered and removed old concrete tables and pads. Video conferences are not being posted on website and I have had to pay for open record copy requests.

Mrs. Anita Vela, Ave D – her issue with her property has not been addressed and haven’t heard from anyone. “you want to build a waterpark and the drainage and streets are a shame”.

CONSENT AGENDA – Alderman Martinez made the motion to approve minutes of September 20, 2021 with the following corrections: Section 15 (d) of Amended Garbage and Trash Ordinance 2021-09-04 for the base rates it should be \$31.59 for a single receptacle and \$42.77 for two receptacles.

PRESENTATIONS –

a) **Presentation and update for SplashPads USA by Mr. Rick Funk** – They are a manufacturer from Utah and have a supplier in Houston. They have two models one is a recirculating model and the other is free flow which requires more water usage. He gave them a brief as to the maintenance and operation of the system. He also gave them the chemistry of the chlorine and diluted acid needed to keep water sanitized. Mayor Garcia requested an operations manual and Alderman Hernandez asked for a number figure as to the cost. Mr. Funk told him they have some from \$80,000 to \$150,000 at a minimum cost. Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes told Mr. Funk that the primary water line and infrastructure were priority at this time. Mrs. Zambrano asked they had installed the one in Ingleside because they were having issue with it. Alderman Martinez asked as to the cost per year to operate the pad and was told \$3 to \$4,000. A year on chemicals and employee. He also told them “you may purchase and install in house.”

ACTION ITEMS

a) **Consideration and possible action to approve Colima St. Extension and Improvements**



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Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes asked if this was budgeted and the numbers were not final. She was told we still needed approval to proceed and an engineer to design the projects. Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes made the motion to approve the continuation of the project and seconded by Alderman Martinez. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

b) **Consideration and possible action to approve and appoint Ardurra Group Inc., as Managing Principal for the Colima St. Extension and Improvements** - Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes to table any discussion and was second by Alderman Hernandez. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

c) **Discussion of possible budget amendment to support the Colima St. Extension and Improvements** - Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes to table any further discussion and seconded by Alderman Hernandez. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

d) **Approve Resolution No. 2021-09-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREGORY, TEXAS APPROVING THE 2021-2022 OPERATING BUDGET TYPE B PROJECT, AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 505.158 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE; APPROVING PROJECTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF 4B SALES TAX REVENUE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE** – Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes to table any further discussion and seconded by Alderman Hernandez. Motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

e) **Consideration with action to set a workshop date to discuss Water Rates** – it was discussed to look into possibly October 19th and October 26th.

OLD BUSINESS – None

REPORTS

City Secretary – gave brief update of activities within the city. Report was emailed to members.

FIRE DEPT. – Update was given by Chief Jimenez; we have a new member. Will be doing hydrant checks this month. Had new radios installed for the three (3) units.

Mayor – he commented he will be working on a **State of the City** report and will continue to have one at the end of each year. It will be delivered along with the newsletter.

Councilmember Martinez said the covers for the fire department and park have been ordered. Mr. Isassi with TxDOT will be here to clear and clean along Loop 202.

Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes will be meeting at the Housing, Wednesday from 11-1 p.m. to discuss opportunities for the community. Will be meeting with Brannyn, Workforce and G-PISD.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM – none



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ADJOURNMENT – Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reyes at 7:43 p.m. to adjourn and seconded by Alderman Hernandez and motion carried with all ayes and 0 nays.

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ATTEST:

Jeronimo B. Garcia, Mayor

Norma S. Garcia, City Secretary