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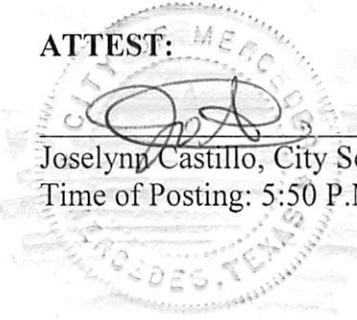
NOTICE is hereby given that the City Commissioner of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. Said meeting will be conducted in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall located at 400 S. Ohio, Mercedes, Texas for the purpose of considering and taking formal action regarding the items listed on the attached agenda.

If during the course of this meeting, the City Commission should determine that a closed or executive meeting of session of the City Commission is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., will be held by the City Commission at the date, hour, and place indicated in this Notice-Agenda or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice/Agenda as the City Commission may conveniently meet in such closed door or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to the section and purpose covered by the following section of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.087. Should any final action, decision, or vote be required in the opinion of the City Commission with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then the final action, decision, or vote shall be either in the open meeting, or at a subsequent public meeting upon notice, therefore, as the City Commission shall determine.

This notice is given in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et. Seq.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY THIS THE 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020

ATTEST:





Joselynn Castillo, City Secretary

Time of Posting: 5:50 P.M

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

The City of Mercedes recognizes its obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to provide equal access to individuals with disabilities. Please contact the City Manager's Office at (956) 565-3114 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting with requests for reasonable accommodations, including requests for a sign language interpreter.

MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 17, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS

- 1.) Call Meeting to Order.
- 2.) Establish Quorum.
- 3.) Invocation.
- 4.) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5.) Presentation of Proclamation for Mr. Jesus Trevino.
- 6.) Open Forum-

Maximum length of time of forum is thirty minutes with individual presentations limited to a maximum of three minutes. The City Commission can take no formal action on any city related matter discussed during the open forum. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up as they arrive, indicating the topic about which they wish to speak. No one will be able to sign up **AFTER 5:50 PM**. The information required for signing up must be completed by that time. No public comments will be allowed during any agenda item unless recognized by the Mayor or if the item requires a public hearing. State your name and address before beginning your presentation.

There can be no comments about specific employees. By Charter, the City Manager is exclusively given authority over personnel matters, including complaints against city personnel. All complaints against city personnel will be addressed pursuant to Mercedes Personnel Policies.

Comments must not be repeated and the Commission is not required to answer any question from the public. Any person who decides to directly question any member of the City Commission will be asked to discontinue their comments. The City Secretary's office representative will be responsible for notifying each presenter that their three-minute time limit has expired.
- 7.) Consent Agenda (Ordinance No. 98-21):
 - A.) Approval of Minutes for City Commission meeting (s) held March 3, 2020.
- 8.) City Manager Comments
- 9.) Presentation and Updates by LEMC on Various Mercedes Projects
- 10.) Presentation and Update Report by Architect Sam Garcia on the Mercedes Sports Complex Project
- 11.) Discussion and Action to Approve Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Mercedes and the Research, Applied Technology, Education, and Service (RATES) D.B.A. RATES/RGV to comply with TCEQ's Phase II Stormwater Rules. (#2020/03/17A)
- 12.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Payment of Geo Tech (Lab Testing) Service Fees for LEMC Various Projects
- 13.) Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint or Reappoint 2 Seats to the Planning and Zoning Commission; and 2 Alternates to the Zoning Board of Adjustments
- 14.) Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution that Authorizes Submission of Grant Application to the Governor's Office of Homeland Security Grants Division for the Border Zone Fire Department Program
- 15.) Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance for Right-of-way Excavations, Establishing a Permit Process and Fee; Authoring a Street Damage Fee to Secure the Integrity of Excavated City Streets, Sidewalks, and Alleys; and Adopting Related Measures to Maintain the City's ROWs
- 16.) Discussion and Possible Action to approve Budget Amendments proposed by Public Works
- 17.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the purchase of inventory items for the Utilities Division of Public Works
- 18.) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Alcohol Beverages at Little Nashville Events at HEB Park Grounds
- 19.) Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Ordinance to Repeal Ordinance No. 2017-07 Regarding Utility Service Stewardship.
- 20.) Discussion and Possible Action on Contract to Renew Troiani & Sossi PLLC Legal Services for Mercedes' City Commission. (#2020/03/17/B)
- 21.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding entering into Contract with County of Hidalgo Elections Department for the 2020 City Officer's Election (#2020/03/17C)

- 22.)** Discussion and Possible Action to Set Workshop Date/Time to Review Current FY Budget's Mid-year Status; and to Discuss Direction on Various Heavy Equipment Needs and Other Programs
- 23.)** Discussion and Possible Action to maintain the confidentiality and integrity of active law enforcement investigations and the privacy interests of citizens who are the focus of such investigations.
- 24.)** TABLED: Discussion and Possible Action on Request by GM Engineering & Surveying for a Plat Approval Extension for Hacienda Olivia Subdivision
- 25.)** Department Monthly Reports
- 26.)** Executive Session:
1. City Manager Contract
 2. Tiger Crossing Residents Request for 2nd Exit Point By City Purchasing Residential Lot along Northern Perimeter
 3. Attorney Client Consultation pursuant to §551.129 regarding privileged communications in executive session subject to Texas Government Code 551.074 – the importance of compliance with Tex. Gov't Code §551.146; Tex. Penal Code §12.22.
- 27.)** General Session (Reconvene):
Action on items 1, 2 and 3 presented for discussion in executive session.
- 28.)** Adjourn.