

**CITY OF GONZALES  
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 23, 2020 MINUTES**

The City Council convened the Special Called City Council meeting at 12:01 p.m., January 23, 2020, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum: Mayor Connie L. Kacir, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig, and Dan Blakemore

The following member was absent: Bobby O'Neal.

Others Present: City Manager- Tim Patek, City Secretary- Kristina Vega

Staff Present: Tammy West

Mayor Connie Kacir called the meeting to order, gave the invocation, and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

**HEARING OF RESIDENTS**

Dale Schellenberg, Rivercrest Area, expressed his concerns with the City's government workings and lack of transparency.

Don Page, PR 3421 House 179 or 614 St. Paul, offered the Alcalde as a location for the Mayor's Coffee talks as well as for the council members.

**RESOLUTION**

1.1, Mayor, Connie Kacir read Discuss, Consider & Possible Action Discuss, Consider and Possible Action on Resolution Endorsing the Mayor's initiative to promote municipal transparency acting as the spokesperson and facilitator for events including, but not limited to: Coffee with the Mayor, media point of contact and any act where the Mayor communicates statements of fact or city policy. Council my request is just for disclosure, but it does not require your consideration. The purpose is to increase transparency and public trust. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Blakemore made a motion to approve Discuss, Consider and Possible Action on Resolution Endorsing the Mayor's initiative to promote municipal transparency acting as the spokesperson and facilitator for events including, but not limited to: Coffee with the Mayor, media point of contact and any act where the Mayor communicates statements of fact or city policy. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion. There being none, the Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Schurig, Blakemore and the Mayor all voted "aye".

1.2, Mayor, Connie Kacir read Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2020-9** Suspending the February 6, 2020 effective date of Texas Gas Service

Company's requested increase to permit the city time to study the request and to establish reasonable rates; approving cooperation with other cities in the Texas Gas Service Company's Central Texas and Gulf Coast service areas; hiring legal and consulting services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; authorizing intervention in GUD No. 10928 at the Railroad Commission; requiring reimbursement of cities' rate case expenses. Council you have the overview in your packet and basically it is authorizing suspending the rate change for 90 days, that is why this Council meeting was critical to be called as a called meeting. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve **Resolution #2020-9** Suspending the February 6, 2020 effective date of Texas Gas Service Company's requested increase to permit the city time to study the request and to establish reasonable rates; approving cooperation with other cities in the Texas Gas Service Company's Central Texas and Gulf Coast service areas; hiring legal and consulting services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; authorizing intervention in GUD No. 10928 at the Railroad Commission; requiring reimbursement of cities' rate case expenses. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor called for discussion. There being none, the Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Schurig, Blakemore and the Mayor all voted "aye".

#### ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:

