

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
HELOTES CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 8, 2020

The City of Helotes City Council met for a regular meeting Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 12951 Bandera Road, Helotes, Texas. This was an open meeting, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas. Due to COVID-19, this meeting was conducted via teleconference.

Present: Thomas A. Schoolcraft, Mayor
Alex Blue, Mayor Pro Tem
Alan Holmes
Bert Buys (via teleconference)
Cynthia Massey
Paul Friedrichs

Staff Present: Marian Mendoza, City Administrator
Celina Perez, City Secretary

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Schoolcraft called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Member Holmes led the invocation. Mayor Schoolcraft led the pledge to the U.S. flag and the Texas flag.

OPEN SESSION:

2. Citizens to be Heard. (Via Teleconference)

No one signed up to speak on this item.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEM NOS. 3 - 5): All items marked with an asterisk (**) on the consent agenda were voted on by one motion. Motion was made by Council Member Holmes, second by Mayor Pro Tem Blue, to approve items 3 through 5 on the consent agenda. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

3. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated September 24, 2020. (Staff)**

4. Approval of cancelling of the November 26, 2020 and December 24, 2020 City Council Regular Meetings due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. (Staff)**

5. Acceptance of the resignation of Ron Lane from the City of Helotes Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, Place Two. (Director Lane)**

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

6. Discussion of and action on the appointment of Melody Pope Cooper to the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, Place Two, with a term expiring September 30, 2022. (Mayor Schoolcraft)

Melody Pope Cooper introduced herself to Council.

Motion was made by Council Member Massey, second by Council Member Friedrichs, to discuss and act on this item as written.

Motion to approve the item as written carried unanimously.

7. Discussion of and action on considering a replacement for Place One of the City of Helotes Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, pursuant to Resolution No. 17-017 Amended EDC Articles of Incorporation, Section Ten Board of Directors. (Staff)

Motion was made by Council Member Massey, second by Council Member Holmes, to discuss and act on this item as written.

During fiscal year period 2019-2020, Phyllis Jackson, Director for Place 1, missed four regular meetings. In accordance with the EDC Articles of Incorporation, a Director shall be considered for replacement if more than three regular meetings are missed within a fiscal year period. Director Jackson advised her absences were due to health, and added she is the primary caregiver for her mother, and does not know what that entails for the future. Nonetheless, Director Jackson advised she wished to continue as an EDC Director.

Discussion included fiscal year period 2020-2021 began on October 1, 2020. If Director Jackson continues to serve, and then misses four regular meetings in the new fiscal year period, Council shall have to consider this item again. Council Member Buys stressed the importance of attendance, and suggested replacing Director Jackson, due to her uncertainty of attending future meetings.

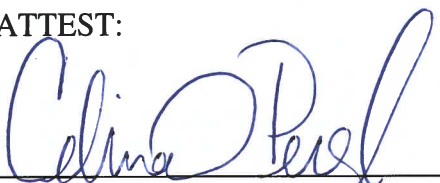
Motion to amend was made by Council Member Massey to retain Phyllis Jackson as Director for Place 1 on the EDC Board of Directors. Second by Council Member Holmes.

Motion to approve carried: 4 Ayes – Council Member Holmes, Mayor Pro Tem Blue, Council Member Friedrichs, and Council Member Massey; 1 Nay – Council Member Buys.

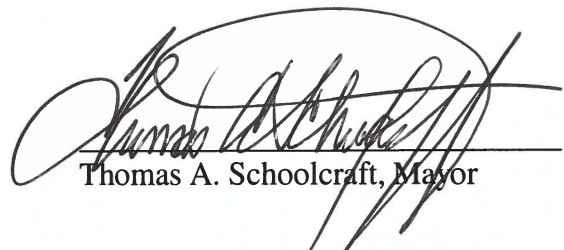
Adjourn

With no more business to come before Council, Mayor Schoolcraft adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

ATTEST:



Celina Perez, City Secretary



Thomas A. Schoolcraft, Mayor

