Minutes Hurst City Council Work Session Tuesday, May 9, 2023

On the 9th day of May 2023, at 5:40 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson)	Mayor
Cindy Shepard)	Mayor Pro Tem
Jon McKenzie)	•
Cathy Brotherton)	•
Gary N. Waldron)	
David Booe)	
John Miller)	
Clay Caruthers)	City Manager
Sarah Walsh)	City Attorney
Malaika Marion Farmer)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick)	City Secretary
Steve Niekamp)	Police Chief
Greg Dickens)	Executive Director of Public Works
Kyle Gordon)	Executive Director of Community Services

With the following Councilmembers absent: none, constituting a quorum, at which time, the following business was transacted:

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

II. Informational Items

• **Update and discussion of upcoming Calendar Items** — City Manager Clay Caruthers noted the Northeast Mall police department appreciation luncheon Friday, May 12, 2023, and the date for the ambulance to return to service was delayed from Friday to Thursday, May 18, 2023.

III. Update and discussion of Regular Agenda Items

IV. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 9

Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract for stage, sound, and lighting services with the option to renew annually

Executive Director of Community Services Kyle Gordon briefed Council on the proposed contract for stage, sound, and lighting services noting the need for services for the Stars and Stripes and Tree Lighting events.

V. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 10

Consider authorizing the City Manager to proceed with the purchase of the landscape maintenance equipment

Executive Director of Community Services Kyle Gordon briefed Council on the request to purchase landscape maintenance equipment noting the labor shortage is causing the current contractor to skip mowing cycles. He stated the purchase of the proposed equipment will allow staff to respond to complaints and issues regarding high grass when needed.

VI. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 11

Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Fort Worth for water service to Trinity Lakes Station

City Manager Clay Caruthers briefed Council on staff discussions regarding the City of Fort Worth and water service to Trinity Lakes Station noting his recommendation that no action be taken on this item to allow discussions regarding possible access for the City of Hurst in the future.

VII. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 12

Consider approval of Resolution 1836 casting votes for the Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors to replace a recalled member

Mayor and Council discussed the nominations made and casting of votes for the Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors to replace recalled member Kathryn Wilemon.

VIII. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 13

Consider authorizing additional funding for the purchase of thirteen (13) vehicles from approved vendors

City Manager Clay Caruthers briefed Council on the request for additional funding for 13 vehicles, noting difficulty in fleet purchasing due to inflation and inventory shortages caused by the pandemic. Assistant City Manager Malaika Marion Farmer reviewed availability and price increases for the Police Department Tahoes, COP vehicles and various other departmental vehicles.

IX. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 14

Consider authorizing the City Manager to execute the Professional Services Contract with Freese and Nichols, Inc., for Lead and Copper Rule Revision Compliance Program

Executive Director of Public Works Greg Dickens briefed Council on the proposed Contract with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for professional engineering services for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision Compliance Program, which was released in 2021 aimed at removing harmful levels of lead and copper from drinking water. He noted it is not anticipated there will be

any issues and reviewed the availability of the Texas Water Development Board Water Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program with financing made at the ratio of 51% principal forgiveness and 49% loan/bond.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, Authorized by Government Code, 551.072, deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (economic development/redevelopment) and to reconvene in Open Session at the Conclusion of the Executive Session to consider and take any necessary action

Mayor Wilson did not recess to Executive Session.

X. ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Wilson adjourned the work session at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED this the 23rd day of May 2023.

ATTEST:

Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:

Henry Wilson, Mayor