

**CITY OF OVILLA MINUTES**  
**Monday July 20, 2020**  
**Special City Council Meeting**  
**105 S. Cockrell Hill Road, Ovilla, TX 75154**

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In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF OVILLA conducted a Special meeting at 5:00 PM, Monday July 20, 2020 by telephone conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing") to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). [There was no public access to the location described above.]

The public was permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

Mayor Dormier (via teleconference) called the Council Meeting of the Ovilla City Council to order at 5:00 pm, with notice of the meeting duly posted.

The following City Council Members were present or on teleconference call:

Rachel Huber	Council Member, Place 1
Dean Oberg	Council Member, Place 2
David Griffin	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 3
Doug Hunt	Council Member, Place 4 (teleconference)
Michael Myers	Council Member, Place 5

Mayor Dormier noted the participating Council Members, thus constituting a quorum. City Secretary, department directors and various staff were also on the teleconference call.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Griffin gave the invocation and PL5 Myers led the reciting of the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

**PRESENTATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PROCLAMATIONS & COMMENTS**

None

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. DISCUSSION/ACTION** – Workshop and review of the preliminary Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget (General Fund) and direct staff as necessary.

City Manager Pam Woodall explained to the council that due to the circumstances, she and the city accountant have started the budget basically at a \$0 amount. She added that this budget is and extreme preliminary and they are starting from scratch.

Highlights discussed between staff and Council:

- No property taxes expected above the effective rate
- The need for a fund balance being unknown – do not have revenue totals

- Municipal offices restructuring
- Majority of increase in budget is with the general fund
- 3 % CPI
- expected 20% increase in Health Benefits
- TMRS decrease from 9.99% to 9.91%
- Social Security consideration
- Unemployment taxes needing to be a funded account
- Salaries in Police Department: additional increases
- ESD#2 & ESD#4 discussed
- Mowing contract in Streets budget

*Discussion to continue during Budget meeting #2 July 22*

ITEM 2. **DISCUSSION/ACTION** – Consideration of and action on a proposal submitted by Ellis County Precinct 4 for the road rehabilitate/reclaim and bar-ditches work to Buckboard, Georgetown and Silver Spur, authorizing the Mayor to execute said document(s).

Conversation at this time was directed toward the upgrade/rehab of the north half of streets George Town, Buck Board, Silver Spur as well as Kyle Butler with Ellis County including all bar-ditches, City Hall, Police Department and Public Works parking lot to be included in that work order.

PL2 Oberg made the motion to approve the reclaim/rebuild the north half of streets Georgetown, Silver Spur and Buckboard and to include all bar-ditches at \$15,2673.00. Seconded by PL4 Hunt.

*No oppositions, no abstentions.*

**VOTE: The motion to approve carried unanimously: 5-0.**

**Recorded Vote:**

PI1 Huber AYE

PL2 Oberg AYE

Mayor Pro Tem Griffin AYE

PL4 Hunt AYE

PL5 Myers AYE

ITEM 3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION** – Review and consider Municipal Facility Improvements, directing staff as necessary.

The discussion was directed mainly to the parking lot that would surround the City Hall building, the Police Department building and future Public Works parking lot. Mr. Butler with Ellis County sent a quote for \$92,000 for the additional work to be done.

Mayor Pro Tem Griffin made the motion to approve the funding of \$92,000 between Ellis County and the City of Ovilla for the parking lot to be laid at City Hall, the Police Station and future Public Works building. Seconded by PL2 Oberg.

*No oppositions, no abstentions.*

**VOTE: The motion to approve carried unanimously: 5-0.**

**Recorded Vote:**

PI1 Huber AYE

PL2 Oberg AYE

Mayor Pro Tem Griffin AYE

PL4 Hunt AYE

PL5 Myers AYE

*Richard Dormier, Mayor*

*Rachel Huber, Place One*

*Dean Oberg, Place Two*

VII. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COUNCIL AND STAFF

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

PL1 Huber moved to adjourn the meeting of July 20, 2020 seconded by PL2 Oberg. There being no further business, Mayor Dormier adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Recorded Vote:

PL1 Huber AYE

PL2 Oberg AYE

Mayor Pro Tem Griffin AYE

PL4 Hunt AYE

PL5 Myers AYE



Richard Dormier, Mayor

ATTEST:



Glennell Miller, City Secretary



**Approved August 10, 2020**