### **Minutes**

## August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Special Council Meeting



- 1. Call to Order @ 6:00pm
- 2. Roll Call: Brasfield, Dumont, Figueroa, Fladmark, Holley, Lawhon. Brasfield Absent with Mayor Lawhon Presiding.
  - (a) Establish Quorum
- 3. <u>Citizen Comments</u> Citizens wishing to speak on an agenda item, or not, must sign up to do so. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to city staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item. (3 Minute Maximum)
  - a) Tawnya Austin spoke on Item Five

<u>Statutory Agenda</u> - The purpose of this section is to have full discussion upon request by a member of the Tool City Council present at this meeting while formulating City Council and staff plans, operations, policies and/or future projects, including the following:

4. Action to Order the November 2023 City of Tool General Election for the purpose of electing two Council Members and one Mayor, each for a term of two years. City Administrator Julius Kizzee stated the purpose of the General Election, who the candidates were that he recommended the motion of No Action for this item. Councilmember Dumont stated that he had spoken with the City Attorney and that the city would need to at a future meeting, pass a Resolution for Withdraw since the city would no longer need a General Election this year. Motion to Take No Action on Ordering the November 2023 City of Tool General Election was made by Councilmember Dumont with second by Councilmember Figueroa. No Action was Taken 4/0.

#### **Ordinance Readings**

- 5. Action to Adopt Ordinance #2023-12 ordering a Special Election on November 7th, 2023, permitting voters to vote "For" or "Against" a proposition to increase the City of Tool's General Revenue Sales and Use Tax at the rate of two percent (2%), pursuant to Chapter 321 of the Texas Tax Code. City Administrator Kizzee stated the purpose of this Special Election and that the Ballot language for this item would read "The adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Tool at the rate of 2%." Motion to Adopt Ordinance #2023-12 ordering a Special Election on November 7th, 2023, permitting voters to vote "For" or "Against" a proposition to increase the City of Tool's General Revenue Sales and Use Tax at the rate of two percent (2%), pursuant to Chapter 321 of the Texas Tax Code was made by Councilmember Dumont with second by Councilmember Figueroa. Motion Passed 4/0.
- 6. <u>Council Comments</u> Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.
  - (a) Councilmember Dumont gave a Park Update

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- 7. <u>Staff Comments</u> Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.
  - (a) Police Sergeant Jason Lee stated that the new police vehicles had arrived and were being sent out to be outfitted.
  - (b) Code Enforcement Officer, Allen Anderson stated that he had sent out several Ordinance Violation letters this month.

#### 8. Closing

- A. Next Meeting: September 21st, 2023
- B. Adjourn @ 6:22pm

A meeting that is "open to the public", pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, is one that the public is permitted to attend. The act does not entitle the public to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items on the agenda. If the City Council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should determine that an executive session is required, then such executive session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice, concerning but not limited to the following sections and purposes of the Act: 551.071 Private consultation with the city's attorney; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; or, 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the City Council regarding any matter considered in such executive session, then the final action, final decision or final vote shall be in the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting.

I certify that the above notice of meeting, a true and correct copy, was posted on the bulletin board in front of Tool City Hall prior to the required 72 hours and that the city's official newspaper was notified.

Passed and Approved on this 21st Day of September 2023.

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Attest:

Tommy Lawhon, Mayor

Kimberley Price, City Secretary