

The Town Council of the Town of Pecos City met in Regular City Council Meeting in the City Council Chambers on February 25, 2019 at 5:30 P.M. with the following present:

Venetta Seals	Mayor
Gerald Tellez	Mayor Pro-Tem
Oscar Ornelas	Councilman
Arthur Orona	Councilman
Wally Moon	Councilman
Seth Sorensen	City Manager
Rod Ponton	City Attorney
Howdy Lisenbee	Assistant City Manager
Jesus Gomez	MIS
Gary Rumbaugh	Public Works Director
Lisa Tarango	Chief of Police
Holly Jarocki	Projects Director
Heather Ramirez	Finance Director
Syndi Fuentez	Permit Director
Joshua Ortiz	IT Technician
Kristen Irely	HR Director

Item A. Mayor Venetta Seals called the February 25, 2019 meeting to order at 5:30 pm. *Veronica Baca, Councilmember, was not present. Wally Moon, Councilmember, entered at 5:59 PM. Councilmember Orona left for emergency 7:55 PM.*

Item B. Invocation by Councilman Orona

Item C. Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Ornelas

Item D. Public Comments

1. Howdy Lisenbee, City Manager, introduced the new Chief Building Official Donny McKinney to the Council and welcomed him to the staff from Sweetwater, TX.

Item E. Consent Agenda

On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting, and the expenditure report, with noted changes to the February 14, 2019 Council meeting minutes.

Item F. Non-Consent

1. **PRESENTATION**–Juan Vasquez, Patrol Captain, presented the Council with a report on 2018 Racial Profiling. No action taken.

2. **PRESENTATION-** Holly Jarocki, Project Manager, presented the Council with a Dilapidated Structures Progress Report. No action taken.
3. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Howdy Lisenbee, Assistant City Manager, asked that the Council consider defining the difference between boarding houses and lodging housing. Holly Jarocki, Project Manager, also stated that sanitation hazards have risen as effects of overcrowded housing. Mr. Lisenbee went on to ask that the Council consider authorizing staff to hold public forums to discuss the issue prior to presenting an ordinance to Council. On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to authorize staff to hold public forums to discuss the issue prior to presenting an ordinance on the boarder and lodge housing.
4. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Kristen Irej, Human Resource Director, asked that the Council consider approving revisions to the city Paid Time off Policy. Mrs. Irej stated that the first suggested change would allow for only 1 day (8 hours) paid off time per month within the first 6 months of employment. The next change would cap accruals of paid time off at 80 hours with 100% being paid out annually if not used. Third change would require that paid time off in the amount of 5 days or more must be requested at least 4 weeks in advance to lessen department shortages. The fourth change would be the stipulation that after the 6 month probation an employee can donate paid time off into a donation pool bank for the use of medical leave shared between participating employees, if ever needed. On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to approve the provisions to the Paid Time off Policy, as presented.
5. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving an easement request from Oryx, but stated Oryx had not made proposed amount to be paid for access. On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to postpone the item for Councilmember Moon and Rod Ponton, City Attorney, to discuss easement rates.
6. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked the Council to consider approving an easement request for the placement of a tower from Oxy in the amount of \$500 annually. On motion by Councilmember Moon and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to accept the offered amount as presented, with the stipulation that the Town of Pecos City be allowed room on the tower as able and needed.
7. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving a request to abandon the alleyway from 2nd and 3rd Street between Mesquite and Sycamore Streets. Mr. Rumbaugh stated that the property will be used for a retail building and the alleyway is deemed unnecessary. On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve the abandonment of the alley as presented, noting the additional stipulation that the alleyway be rededicated to the City of Pecos if the alleyway is needed by the property owner, at the property owners expense.
8. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER-** Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a broom sweeper from Yellowhouse Machinery Co. in the amount of \$61,000.00, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$60,000). On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted

unanimously to approve the purchase of a broom sweeper from Yellowhouse Machinery Co, in the amount of \$61,000.

9. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a forklift from Sunbelt in the amount of \$30,000.00, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$40,000). On motion by Councilmember Moon and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to postpone item for further information.
10. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a Kioti Tractor from Metro Equipment & Rental Co., Inc. in the amount of \$38,156.00, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$45,000). On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to postpone item for more information.
11. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a ditch witch from EKA Government Sales Experts for the amount of \$53,702.76, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$46,000). On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to postpone item for more information.
12. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a grapple truck from Freightliner of Austin for the amount of \$215,244.00, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$260,000). On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Orona, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a grapple truck from Freightliner of Austin in the amount of \$215, 244.00, as presented.
13. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a pneumatic roller from Yellowhouse Machinery Co. for the amount of \$96,537.10, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$175,000). On motion by Councilmember Orona and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a pneumatic roller from Yellowhouse Machinery Co. in the amount of \$96,537.10, as presented.
14. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Gary Rumbaugh, Public Works Director, asked that the Council consider approving the purchase of a steel wheel roller from Yellowhouse Machinery Co. for the amount of \$130,000.00, as appropriated in the FY2019 Budget (\$130,000). On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Moon, the Council voted unanimously to approve the purchase of a steel wheel roller from Yellowhouse Machinery Co., as presented.
15. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider designating certain positions as “Critical”; with updates to the Personnel Manual and approving a retention plan. On motion by Councilmember Moon and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, the Council voted unanimously to postpone item for further information.

- 16. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER (presented before item number 15)** – Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider adding 23 various personnel position to Town of Pecos City Staff. On motion by Councilmember Moon and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas, the Council voted unanimously to postpone the item for further information.

- 17. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, asked that the Council consider entering into an interim agreement with Madera Valley to provide water service to customers within Madera Valley’s CCN. On motion by Councilmember Ornelas and seconded by Councilmember Tellez, with Councilmember Moon abstaining, the Council voted 2 for with 1 abstaining to approve entering into an interim agreement with Madeira Valley to provide water service to customers within Madeira Valley’s CCN.

- 18. **DISCUSS/CONSIDER**– Seth Sorensen, City Manager, presented the Council with the second reading of Ordinance 19-02-01, an ordinance of voluntary annexation by the Town of Pecos City of 620 acres located in the H&GN RR Co. Survey, Block 5, Section 19, Abstract 430 in Reeves County, Texas. On motion by Councilmember Tellez and seconded by Councilmember Ornelas , the Council voted unanimously to approve the second reading of Ordinance 19-02-01, as presented.

Executive Session: 9:19 PM

Executive Session under Tex. Gov’t Code § 551.071

1. Consultation with City Attorney

Open Executive Session: 9:19PM

Open Executive Session under Tex. Gov’t Code §

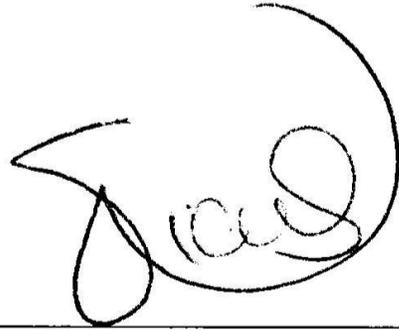
G. Discuss Items for Next City Council Agenda – City Council

H. Adjournment: 9:20 PM



Venetta Seals, Mayor

Attest:



Syra Nichols, City Secretary