MINUTES OF A REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOURDANTON, TEXAS AT
THE JOURDANTON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT
1604 HIGHWAY 97 E, JOURDANTON, TEXAS, 78026,
ON MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

Present:
Mayor Robert A. Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Chester Gonzales
Councilmember Karen Pesek
Councilmember Pamela Manning
Councilmember Katrina Wiatrek
Council Member Paul Morales

City Manager Debbie Molina
Interim City Secretary Samantha Nicholson
City Attorney Richard Lindner

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE
Mayor Robert A. Williams called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Invocation lead by Laura Alvarez with First Baptist Church & Pledges lead by Jourdanton ISD 7th Grade Newspaper:
Bailey Brister, Emmitt Calvín, Riley Frazier, Dalia Hughes, Kylee Ingram, Kenzie Rakowitz, Brynn Schorsch, Peyton Schuchart, Linsy Selter, Malia Strange, and Jayde Trail

HEARING OF RESIDENTS
Theresa Gorits voiced concerns about an issue she read on Facebook with a particular resident, she wanted the council to follow up on the invoicing for Rise Broadband, water quality, employment opportunities, expenses for legal representation, updates for annual permits, and regulations for pop-up vendors inside city limits.

CONSENT AGENDA
2.1 Action to approve the minutes for the meetings for March 18, 2024. (Mayor Robert Williams and Samantha Nicholson, City Secretary)

A motion was made by councilmember Manning and seconded by Councilmember Pesek to approve the minutes for March 18, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS
3.1 Presentation Mayor's Presentation of a Proclamation to Recognize April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month (Mayor Robert Williams and Michelle King, Development Director for Castac)

Michelle King presented to the council advising the mission for Children's Alliance of South Texas to create environments where kids feel much safer to talk about what's happened to them compared to the walls of any law enforcement interrogation rooms. There are more than 450 children in Atascosa County who are victims of child abuse each year. Community Organizations such as BelongISRC: City of Jourdanton, Atascosa County Child Welfare Board, county appointed special Advocates, American Legion Post 416, AACOG, Early Childhood Intervention and many other organizations assist in stopping child abuse and neglect.

Mayor Williams presented the Proclamation on behalf of the Jourdanton City Council, duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of the of the City of Jourdanton does hereby proclaim the month of April 2024 as Child Abuse prevention month in the City of Jourdanton and urges all residents to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in the years to come.

3.2 Presentation Mayor's Presentation of a Proclamation to Recognize April 2024 Sexual Assault Awareness Month. (Mayor Robert Williams and Andrea Rathmel Education Manager for Safer Path)
Dr. Wendy Knox was not able to attend. Mayor Williams presented the Proclamation on behalf of the Jourdanton City Council, duly convened and acting in its capacity as the governing body of the of the City of Jourdanton does hereby proclaim the month of April 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, advocating with the communities across the country in taking action to prevent sexual violence and create change for the future.

ITEMS CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION

4.1 Public hearing, discussion, and possible action upon an Ordinance approving a concept plan and rezoning of property located at Main St. & Cantrell Ave., legally described as a portion of BLK 248, 249-250, Jourdanton, Atascosa County, Texas. The property is currently zoned C, Commercial. The applicants, Simco Properties LLC & Rye Properties LLC, are seeking a rezone to Planned Development District to allow for a mixed-use development consisting of multifamily, single-family, and commercial on the property. (City Manager Debbie Molina and Code Compliance Specialist Jorge Zuniga)

Jorge Zuniga was not able to attend.

Ray Raca, Raca Engineering presented to the council on behalf of Simco Properties, LLC. Mr. Raca voiced his concerns about the prolonged time to process this request for rezone. He advised that they would develop the property based off ordinances and state 'own'.

Councilmember Wiatrek made a motion to postpone the meeting until the next meeting April 15, 2024, due to lack of time to review the ordinance recently provided to the council. No second at this time.

Attorney Lindner briefly went over the ordinance with the council, paragraph by paragraph.

Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:00 pm.

Mrs. Garvin briefly spoke on the topic, advising this would be a great opportunity for the city to provide growth.

Mayor Williams closed the public hearing 7:01 pm.

Councilmember Manning made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the ordinance accepting the concept plan and rezoning to Planned Development District to allow for a mixed-use development consisting of multifamily, single-family, and commercial on the property located at Main St. & Cantrell Ave., legally described as a portion of BLK 248, 249-250, Jourdanton, Atascosa County, Texas.

The motion passed with a majority vote affirmative, negative vote from councilmember Wiatrek, advising she was not provided the information in proper time frame to review.

4.2 Discussion and possible action regarding the procurement of city police radio equipment (Potential Partial Executive Session under §551.076 Deliberations about Security Devices). (Mayor Robert Williams and Interim Chief Kaufman)

Mayor Williams requested the council to go into Executive Session under §551.076 to deliberate about the Security devices for the radios and vehicles. Executive Session began at 7:43 pm and ended at 7:52 pm

Interim Chief Kaufman requested direction from council to city staff on how to proceed forward.

Councilmember Wiatrek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to postpone the agenda items until we have hired the Jourdanton Police Chief.

The motion passed with a majority vote affirmative, negative votes from Councilmember Morales and Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales.

4.3 Discussion and possible actions regarding the procurement of police department patrol vehicles. (Potential partial Executive Session under §551.076 Deliberations about Security Devices) (Mayor Robert Williams and Interim Chief Kaufman)

Councilmember Wiatrek made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Manning, to postpone the agenda items until we have hired the Jourdanton Police Chief.

The motion passed with a majority vote affirmative, negative vote from Councilmember Morales.
STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

5.1 City Manager monthly report. (no action)

City Manager Molina reported briefly to the council and city the following update: Recycling is happening every Tuesday 8 to noon, and brush/bulk April 6 & 20 at the City Yard. The city park continues to be cleaned by city staff. Hydrant flushing continues this month, the list of hydrants has been posted to the website. Officer Sancedo was recently hired. The street department continues to fill potholes. No new development for the DWSFR, CWSRF, PIF projects at this time. TXDOT sidewalk project will be requesting RFQs in Sept. 2024. There will be an agenda item at this upcoming meeting for the City Secretary to close the application process on April 22nd and discuss scheduling & current number of applicants. Police Chief reviewing applications this Friday and set up interviews soon. Animal Control subcommittee will continue to meet, no workshop scheduled at this time.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MESSAGES

6.1 Discussion and possible action of social calendar of events and council general announcements/information (Mayor Robert A. Williams)

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales requested an agenda item for council to review the auction items at the next meeting and a second agenda item for purchasing equipment for the street crew.

Councilmember Pasek is requesting city staff to investigate options for the microphones system for chamber and look into the issue with the truck parked on the sidewalks at Tobey Ridge.

Councilmember Manning informed the city that there will be a goal setting workshop on April 22nd and 29th.

ADJOURN

7.1 Adjourn.

A motion was made by Councilmember Morales and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Samantha Nicholson, Interim City Secretary

Robert A. Williams, Mayor