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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 8, 2018

The City Council of the City of Longview, Texas, met in a Regular Session, March 8, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Jo Ann Metcalf Municipal Building. Mayor Andy Mack presided.

Members present were:

Members absent were:

Andy Mack
Ed Moore
Nona Snoddy
Wray Wade
Kristen Ishihara
David Wright
Steven Pirtle

Staff members present were:

Keith Bonds, City Manager
Angie Shepard, City Secretary
Jim Finley, City Attorney
Michael Shirley, Director of Development Services
Rolin McPhee, Director of Public Works
Laura Hill, Director of Community Services
Scott Caron, Director of Parks and Recreation
Angela Coen, Director of Financial Services
Mary Ann Miller, Director of Administration
J.P. Steelman, Fire Chief
Mike Bishop, Police Chief

I. Call to Order – Mayor Andy Mack called the meeting to order.

II. Invocation – The prayer was given by Webelos Den, Pack 613 Den Leader: Luke Kimbrough.

III. Pledge of Allegiance – Webelos Den, Pack 613 led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Employee Recognition - Substandard and Dangerous Building Program

Tonight we will recognize the City of Longview's Substandard and Dangerous Building Program. The #3 priority identified in the Longview Comprehensive Plan is to demolish dilapidated buildings in commercial and residential neighborhood districts. To address this need, the City has placed a greater emphasis on the substandard and dangerous building program and has increased the budget for this important area. Mark Hall serves as the Environmental Compliance Officer and Shannon Davis assists with the administrative side of the program.

From Jan 2016 – Dec 2017, they responded to 184 complaints regarding substandard/dangerous buildings or issues from residents in multifamily complexes. 101 structures were processed through the program. This includes an inspection, at least one re-inspection, consultations with owners and court hearings with the help of City Prosecutor Terry Jackson. This work resulted in 23 demolitions by the City of Longview; 39 demolitions by owners; and 39 structures that were brought into compliance by the owners. In addition, Mark performed 155 multifamily inspections, 95 of which required re-inspection.

Mark also facilitates a monthly meeting of the "problem property team" involving the Longview Police Department, Code Compliance, Planning and Zoning, the Fire Marshal's office, Keep Longview Beautiful and others to identify properties that need to be addressed.

Mark Hall
Shannon Davis
Terry Jackson

V. Community Recognition - Sidney Anderson

A couple weeks ago, a young man was placed inside a Longview Police car, but this isn't the story you are expecting.

Sidney Anderson is 5-years-old. His relatives say Sidney is the kind of kid that has never met a stranger. He also has a special admiration for police officers.

So, one night while attending a basketball at Pine Tree High School, Sidney walked up to Longview Police Officer Josh Marrs because he wanted to tell him "Thank you for your service."

Officer Marrs gave Sidney a badge and even gave him a tour of the squad car later that evening. We can all be proud of our East Texas community thanks to the neighborly attitudes demonstrated by people like 5-year-old Sidney Anderson.

Here tonight:
Sidney Anderson
Members of Sidney's family
Officer Marrs

VI. Citizen Comment

There were no citizens in the audience asking to comment.

VII. Presentation Items

Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Adrienne Deason, CPA, Henry and Peters, PC.

Independent Auditor's Report:

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the

aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Longview, Texas, as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

No findings related to:

- Internal controls
- Compliance with laws, regulations, or agreements
- Grant compliance requirements

Audit Results:

- All funds performed within the budgets approved by City Council
- Cash reserves are within targeted ranges
 - General Fund Target: 10% of estimated operating expenses
 - General Fund Actuals: 22.63%

 - Enterprise Fund Target: 15% of estimated operating expenses
 - Enterprise Fund Actuals 27.73%

Management's Discussion and Analysis

- Purpose – Objective and easily readable analysis of the financial report
- Begins on Page 4 of Annual report

If I could leave you with one suggestion, when you get your annual financial report, if you'll read through the few pages titled "Management's Discussions and Analysis". It's a plain language discussion from management's perspective. It's intended to be an objective and easily readable analysis of the financial report. It's just going to hit the financial highlights, give you a good summary of what took place in 2017 and also touch on a couple of things to look forward to in 2018. That concludes my presentation on the audit results. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the council for entrusting Henry & Peters once again this year to provide a high quality audit for the benefit of the citizens of Longview. I would like to thank city staff, especially the Finance Department because they are always very accommodating to our audit team and we appreciate that.

VIII. Public Safety Update

A. Police

Chief Bishop thanked the council for the opportunity to update the happenings of the Police Department.

I'd like to introduce to you Cody Sprayberry, he is our newest graduate of the Police Academy. Cody graduated the East Texas Police Academy two weeks ago and will be one of the newest members coming on to the Police Department.

On March 23rd at 10:00 a.m., I like to invite you to a Commissioning ceremony for three new officers - Christina Payne, Ryan Ferkel and Cody Sprayberry will be given their oath of office and will be commissioned Police Officers. Shortly after that they will begin their field training.

Last week the Police Department along with Sanitation and Code Enforcement participated in a sweep of the Flamingo Mobile Home Park. I'd just like to thank everyone involved and you will hear more about that in Items of Community Interest. This was in District 1 and Mr. Moore will have additional information.

Last week we graduated our third successful Teen Police Academy. We had 13 graduates. We have now had 55 students that have graduated our Teen Police Academy. We look forward to hosting that again in the spring of next year.

Also, I'd like to let everybody know its tax season. I know most of you are in the process of getting your taxes done. There has been an ongoing fraud or scam, there have been individuals making calls claiming to be with the IRS. We have had several call and complaints this week. The IRS will not contact you by phone. They will send you a letter with a number to call if they have questions or concerns. I am asking everyone, if you get one of these calls, do not give your personal information over the phone until you can verify who you are talking to.

Save the Date – Giants of Law Enforcement - A tribute to the law enforcement agencies of Gregg County – May 15 at Maude Cobb Activity Complex. This is where we recognize Officers in an awards banquet. More importantly, at the end of the ceremony, we have our annual memorial service where the officers in Gregg County that gave their lives in the line of duty. For tickets contact Karen Grisham at the Longview Police Department at 903.237.1100, tickets are \$15.00. We would love to have everyone come.

B. Fire

Chief Steelman gave an update on several things happening in the Longview Fire Department:

One of the great things our Fire Marshal's office gets to do is, instead of investigating fires, we get to go out in the community and educate individuals on fire safety. Fire extinguisher training, members of the Fire Marshal's office cover and practice the use of portable fire extinguishers at Dallas Plastics. Our Marshal's got to train some employees on how to use a fire extinguisher. You would be amazed at how many people have never done that, never had to opportunity to practice. If you don't know what you are doing or how to do it, you can actually get hurt. Thanks to Dallas Plastics for taking time to let the employees learn and this is a service our department provides to anyone in the community. If your company has an interest in learning more call 903.237.1119. We would be happy to set up some training. If these people can help keep a small fire small, then that helps us.

We still have some local flooding in the area. While there is none inside the city, out in the ETJ we are still seeing some roads that are flooded. Please do not drive through standing water. Most of the areas that are around us are in the Highway 42 area, along the Sabine River. The Sabine River is at flood stage, they measure that at the Estes Parkway bridge, where it goes over the river. Flood stage is 25 feet and as of today, the river was at 33. They are anticipating it will be in the flood stage until the end of the month.

This weekend is daylight savings time so you will spring forward. We want to encourage everyone that when you change your clock, change your batteries in your smoke detector. We would also like to encourage anyone with small children in their families to practice some type of escape plan. Have a meeting place, just cover all those things of what to do is that smoke detector goes off.

Also, Code Red: I'm going to keep pushing this one. It is a free service that the city offers for you to get up to date information on weather. We are anticipating some possibility of severe weather on Saturday; you have plenty of time to get signed up. So get yourself registered.

IX. Consent Agenda

- A. Consider a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute any necessary documents for the application, receipt and expenditure of grant funds in the amount of \$10,636.20 from the Law Enforcement**

Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) fund for the purpose of continuing education and training for law enforcement personnel of the Longview Police Department

Mike Bishop, Police Chief was present and requested the Council to consider a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute any necessary documents for the application, receipt, and expenditure of grant funding from the State of Texas Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) fund in the amount of \$10,636.20 for the purpose of continuing education for law enforcement personnel.

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LONGVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND GRANT FUNDING FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER STANDARDS AND EDUCATION (LEOSE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,636.20; FINDING THAT NO MATCHING FUNDS WILL BE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE AND EXPEND SAID FUNDS; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5296 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

B. Consider a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute any necessary documents for the Longview Police Department to acquire regular license plates for certain vehicles

Dwayne Archer, Assistant Public Works Director was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of a Resolution authorizing the Fleet Services Manager to acquire regular license plates for certain vehicles purchased by the Longview Police Department..

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR THE LONGVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACQUIRE REGULAR LICENSE PLATES FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5297 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

- C. Consider a Resolution awarding a contract to and authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute any necessary documents with Always Green of Longview for buildings and cemeteries grounds maintenance**

Dwayne Archer, Assistant Public Works Director was present and requested the Council consider the approval of a Resolution for an annual agreement for mowing and grounds maintenance services for buildings and cemeteries for the City of Longview. In this agreement work is performed according to a predetermined set schedule throughout the year. Work to be performed will include, but is not limited to mowing, trimming, weed control, edging and mulching.

Mowing Services bids were advertised in the local newspaper as required by law and posted on the City of Longview website. On February 21, 2018 - 7 bids were received and opened.

The bids were from:

Always Green of Longview, TX - \$69,890.00
RDA Vegetation of Gilmer, TX - \$84,486.96.00
Southern Grounds Maintenance of Longview, TX - \$90,206.00
Pro Mowers of Daingerfield, TX - \$144,180.00
Rayos Lawn Care, White House, TX - \$157,460.00
Expert Lawn of Henderson, TX-\$205,890.00
C&C Logging of Longview, TX - \$271,600.00

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE BID OF ALWAYS GREEN OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, FOR BUILDINGS AND CEMETERIES GROUND MAINTENANCE; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER, OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY BETWEEN THE CITY OF LONGVIEW AND ALWAYS GREEN OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, FOR SAID SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF SAID CONTRACT AT THE CITY MANAGER'S DISCRETION FOR UP TO FOUR ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERMS PROVIDED THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT UNDER SAID CONTRACT FOR ANY ONE RENEWAL TERM SHALL NOT EXCEED FUNDS BUDGETED FOR SAID CONTRACT IN THE CONCURRENT BUDGET YEAR; DETERMINING THAT THE CITY COMPLIED WITH ALL APPLICABLE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS IN ACCEPTING SAID BID; DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIRMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5298 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

D. Consider a Resolution accepting the Transit Building Roof Renovations Project and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$7,850.60 to Curtis-McKinley Roofing and Sheet Metal, Inc. of Longview, Texas

Rolin McPhee, P.E., Director of Public Works was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of a Resolution accepting the Transit Building Roof Renovations project and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$7,850.60 to Curtis-McKinley Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc. Approval of final payment will begin the contractors one-year warrenty period.

The City Council awarded a contract to Curtis-McKinley Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc. on September 14, 2017 in the amount of \$85,826.00. The final construction cost is \$78,506.00.

The scope of work includes installation of 12,629 square foot roof, including fully adhered thermoplastic polyolefin (TPO) roof system, flashing, gutters, parapet and miscellaneous work as necessary to complete the installation.

The project has been completed in accordance with the contract. Public Works Engineering Staff recommends acceptance of the project and approval of final payment. .

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE PROJECT ENTITLED "TRANSIT BUILDING ROOF RENOVATIONS"; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT TO CURTIS-MCKINLEY ROOFING & SHEET METAL, INC., FOR COMPLETION OF SAID PROJECT; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5299 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

- E. Consider a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Longview Police Department and the United States Secret Service for reimbursement of certain overtime costs and other expenses in participation of joint operations with the U.S. Secret Service's North Texas Financial Crimes Task Force**

Mike Bishop, Police Chief was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of a Resolution authorizing and directing the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Longview Police Department and the United States Secret Service for reimbursement of certain overtime costs and other expenses in participation of joint operations with the U.S. Secret Service's North Texas Financial Crimes Task Force.

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF LONGVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN OVERTIME COSTS AND OTHER EXPENSES IN PARTICIPATION OF JOINT OPERATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Such Resolution No. 5300 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

F. Consider approval of the following minutes: January 11, 2018 and February 8, 2018

Angie Shepard, City Secretary was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of the January 11, 2018 and the February 8, 2018 minutes.

MOTION: Council Member Ishihara made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

SECOND: Council Member Snoddy seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously (7, 0).

X. Action Items

- A. **Consider an Ordinance canceling the Election to fill the expired term for Mayor and City Council Districts 1, 2 and declaring elected to office the unopposed candidates for a term expiring in May 2021**

Angie Shepard, City Secretary was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of an Ordinance canceling the Election to fill the expired term for Mayor and City Council Districts 1 and 2 and declaring elected to office the unopposed candidates for a term expiring in May, 2021.

MOTION: Council Member Pirtle made a motion the following Ordinance be approved:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, CONFIRMING THE CERTIFICATION OF ANDY MACK AS AN UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION AS MAYOR; CONFIRMING THE CERTIFICATION OF ED MOORE AS AN UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION AS CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR COUNCIL VOTING DISTRICT NO. 1; CONFIRMING THE CERTIFICATION OF NONA SNODDY AS AN UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION AS CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR COUNCIL VOTING DISTRICT NO. 2; DECLARING ANDY MACK ELECTED AS MAYOR; DECLARING ED MOORE ELECTED AS CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR COUNCIL VOTING DISTRICT NO. 1; DECLARING NONA SNODDY ELECTED AS CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR COUNCIL VOTING DISTRICT NO. 2; DECLARING THE MAY 5, 2018, CITY ELECTION CANCELED; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECOND: Council Member Snoddy seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously (7, 0).

Such Ordinance No. 4153 and appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

- B. Consider an Ordinance amending Section 4-163 of the Longview City Code to authorize the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute any waiver or dismissal of any penalties and interest resulting from any lien imposed by the City**

Michael Shirley, Director of Development Services was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of an Ordinance amending Section 4-163 of the Longview City Code to authorize the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute any waiver or dismissal of any penalties and interest resulting from any lien imposed by the City

MOTION: Council Member Ishihara made a motion the following Ordinance be approved:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AMENDING SECTION 4-163 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW BY ADDING A NEW PROVISION (16) TO SUBSECTION (a) OF SAID SECTION, THEREBY AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR THE CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY WAIVER OR DISMISSAL OF ANY PENALTIES AND INTEREST (OR ANY PORTION THEREOF) RESULTING FROM A LIEN IMPOSED BY THE CITY; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECOND: Council Member Moore seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously (7, 0).

Such Ordinance No. 4154 and appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

- C. **Consider an Ordinance dismissing and waiving all liens, penalties, and interest against certain real property for a sum of one hundred dollars with a street address of 204 Fredonia and authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to evidence said dismissal and waiver**

Michael Shirley, Director of Development Services was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of an ordinance dismissing and waiving all liens, penalties, and interest against certain real property for a sum of one hundred dollars with a street address of 204 Fredonia and authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to evidence said dismissal and waiver.

Upon review of a request for waiver of a lien, staff could not find any information or files on this address to substantiate the validity of the Lien. The owners have requested that the city release the lien for the sum of one hundred dollars.

MOTION: Council Member Wright made a motion the following Ordinance be approved:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, DISMISSING AND WAIVING ALL LIENS, PENALTIES, AND INTEREST AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FOR A SUM OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS WITH A STREET ADDRESS OF 204 FREDONIA; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EVIDENCE SAID DISMISSAL AND WAIVER; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECOND: Council Member Ishihara seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously (7, 0).

Such Ordinance No. 4155 and appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

- D. Consider an Ordinance dismissing and waiving all liens, penalties, and interest against certain real property with a street address of 1702 and 1708 Clearwood and authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to evidence said dismissal and waiver

Michael Shirley, Director of Development Services was present and requested the Council to consider the approval of an ordinance dismissing and waiving all liens, penalties, and interest against certain real property with a street address of 1702 and 1708 Clearwood and authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager or the Acting City Manager's designee to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to evidence said dismissal and waiver.

MOTION: Council Member Ishihara made a motion the following Resolution be approved:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, DISMISSING AND WAIVING ALL LIENS, PENALTIES, AND INTEREST AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY WITH A STREET ADDRESS OF 1702 and 1708 CLEARWOOD; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EVIDENCE SAID DISMISSAL AND WAIVER; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECOND: Council Member Moore seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously (7, 0).

Such Ordinance No. 4156 and appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

XI. Items of Community Interest

Gather the family and come to the Grand Opening of The Green, Longview's newest outdoor greenspace and event venue. On Friday, March 16, we'll have food trucks, green beer, and live music by the Tuxedo Cats. Bring your blankets and chairs to sit under the stars with family and friends.

Join us Thursday, March 15 at the Library for a special viewing of Disney/Pixar's film, "Coco". This film is a smart and enduring piece of storytelling with a satisfyingly twisting story. Free popcorn will be provided for this movie night that takes place during Spring Break at Longview Public Library.

A Homeless Resource Day will be held on Saturday, March 24 at the Longview Fire Department Training Center at Teague Park. In one day, at one place, a person experiencing homelessness can enroll in and receive services from multiple organizations. Prior to the event, we will be collecting certain food and hygiene items for homeless outreach bags at the Longview Public Library. For opportunities to get involved and a suggested list of donations, please contact Director of Community Services Laura Hill 903-237-1392 or learn more at LongviewHomeless.com.

Longview Green and Clean, happening Saturday, April 14, is a partnership between the City of Longview Recycling Program and Keep Longview Beautiful. The Spring clean-up event is held the second Saturday in April while the Fall clean-up event is slated for the second Saturday in November.

Upcoming Events: There are several upcoming events throughout the Longview community.

Longview Museum of Fine Arts' 58th Student Invitational Exhibit is on display now through March 24. 250 works from 15 high schools from the surrounding areas have entered pieces in a variety of categories.

Goldilocks is on trial for breaking and entering into the Bears' home. Will she be found guilty and sent to prison, or will the truth come out? Join us for Artsview Children's Theatre's side splitting comedy, Goldilocks on Trial, March 8 - 11.

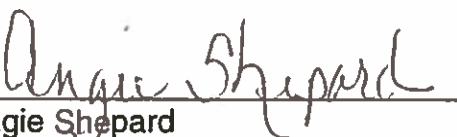
The Longview Beekeepers Association will be hosting the 1st Annual Northeast Texas Beekeepers Conference on Saturday, March 17. The conference is open to all interested folks, primarily beekeepers in the Northeast Texas area of the state.

For more information on any of these events, please check out the calendar at VisitLongviewTexas.com or for City events visit LongviewTexas.gov/calendar

Mayor Mack's Scholarship: There are four \$2,000 scholarships for graduating seniors from either Longview, Hallsville, Pine Tree or Spring Hill High School. You must be a resident in Longview. Applications are due by March 30th.

XIV. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11p.m.



Angie Shepard
City Secretary

