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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

May 24, 2018

The City Council of the City of Longview, Texas, met in a Regular Session, May 24, 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
Robert Ray, Assistant City Attorney
Michael Shirley, Director of Development Services
Dwayne Archer, Assistant 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** – Fireflies 4U baseball Team gave the invocation.

- III. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Fireflies 4U also led the pledge of allegiance.

- IV. **Employee Recognition - Sanitation Department – Rescue Workers**

On April 19, City of Longview Sanitation crew members LaRonn Woolridge, Billy Miles and Bryan Glover pulled up to empty the yard waste at 2502 Northhaven St, where Mr. Audrey Fogle was tilling his lawn.

As the crew was leaving, they happened to look back and see that the tiller had gotten away from Mr. Fogle and hit him in the head, and then ran into his car. They immediately stopped the truck and ran to render aid.

He was taken to the hospital where he received 25 stitches on his head where the tiller had struck him. Mr. Fogle said that he takes blood thinners and was bleeding profusely. He said that the quick response of the Sanitation men may very well have saved his life.

The quick action and dedication to not only complete their daily collections, but a real concern for the people of this community, is evident in their actions. We are very proud of the men and women that make sure the garbage and recycling is off the street every day. It is a tough job, and we are so thankful to all three of you for seeing someone in need and acting.

Here with us tonight are:

LaRonn Woolridge
Billy Miles
Bryan Glover

Mr. Audrey Fogle

V. Community Recognition – Amy Canton was honored by Mayor Mack for her community service with Bluejeans & Ballgowns, East Texas CASA, Longview Animal Care & Adoption Center and many other charities around Longview. There are so many things that we don't see that Amy is working on. Thank you so much for being such a great volunteer and we appreciate you so much.

VI. Citizen Comment – Jeremiah Hunter – Would like to speak during the action item.

VII. Presentation Item

A. Presentation of a Proclamation commemorating May 25, 2018 as East Texas Lupus and Autoimmune Disease Awareness – Mayor Andy Mack.

B. Presentation of a Proclamation commemorating Emergency Medical Services Week – Mayor Andy Mack.

VIII. Public Safety Update

A. Police

Chief Bishop gave an update on the Longview Police Department.

The firemen have all left the chambers so I can start now. As you know the Longview Greggton Rotary Club sponsors a Golf Tournament and a dinner for the police and fire to bring the two agencies together. You know the PD has been on a long dry streak but tonight I am proud to say we are in possession of the trophy. It's always a good time after a 15 year drought to bring that trophy back home. I will say, we only beat them by three strokes so it was a small margin. We have a little more work to do.

Last week we had the Giants of Law Enforcement banquet and I'd like to thank those who came out. It was a very well attended event.

Tonight I'd like to congratulate those who won awards in the Police Department.
Civilian of the Year – Patricia Venters/Senior Records Clerk
Officer of the Year – Officer Drew Allison/Patrol Officer
Supervisor of the Year – Sargent Doug Brinkley/Crimes against Persons
Detective of the Year – Armando Juarezotega/ CID
Rookie of the Year – Officer Larry Soloman/Evening Shift Patrol
Telecommunications Supervisor of the Year – Kim Chandler
Telecommunication Operator of the Year – James Shrewsbury

This is a great accomplishment and I want to congratulate each one of them.

The 8th Annual Police Explorer Academy will be June 18 – 21. Its \$30 per student and you can register by calling Officer Josh Marrs at 903-331-2858. We do have scholarships available.

B. Fire

Chief Steelman gave an update on the Fire Department. I've missed the past two council meeting and want to apologize for that. I had some family and work commitments that have pulled me away.

We recently have a community safety day across the street at Safety City. Safety City is such a jewel in our community to educate the youth with pedestrian and bicycle safety. It also gives us an opportunity to talk to them about fire safety. We have a lot of volunteers to help make safety city work every day. We appreciate all the volunteer help.

Another thing we have gotten involved with this year is the Longview High School Health Science EMT Program. This is a partnership with Longview ISD, Kilgore College and the Longview Fire Department. The thing that I like about this is we are planting seeds with high school students to one day want to seek a profession with EMS. Hopefully we can keep some of these kids local. I need to give a shout out to truck 8 C shift and Engine 4 A shift crews who took time out of their busy day to help out with Ms. Collins class.

We have an ongoing relationship with Longview High Schools National Honor Society. This is where they were painting fire hydrants. These kids give up part of their Saturday and we go out and spray paint fire hydrants. They are making the hydrants where we can find them at 2 o'clock in the morning. They always have a great attitude and they enjoy it. Each one of these kids will tell you they have never paid attention to fire hydrant but after they get out there and paid 20

or 30, then they notice them all over town. They notice which ones still need to be painted. It makes a difference out there and we certainly appreciate what they do. We hope it a relationship we can continue.

I had an opportunity to host some Emergency Management Training. Every five year we revise our Hazard Mitigation Plan. This is a joint operation with Gregg County and this was some great training. A lot of emergency manager from ETCOG region participated. We got to simulate a wildfire which was great and I'll tell you about coming up. This was a great opportunity to network and know what their capabilities are and share what we have with them.

I'd like to welcome aboard New Firefighter/Paramedic, Robert Collins, he comes to us with three years of experience at the Atlanta Texas Fire Department. We are certainly glad to have him. He is in his early training right now and we look forward to some good thing out of him for the next 20 years

Speaking about wildfires, if you paid attention to the news you know the west side of our state is already experiencing trouble. That causes us to perk up because sometimes it just matters of time before the dry conditions reach us. The state called upon use and we sent three from our department with our TIFMAS Engine from Station 4 the Davis Mountain area. I'm not worried about what would happen here because of the experience our firefighters received. This was some great training and they were re-assigned to the Amarillo area where they helped in some town evacuation.

Firefighters Safety Stand Down was Thursday, May 17. This was sponsored by the Longview, Kilgore, Marshall and Sabine Fire Departments, this workshop was designed to educate participants on the types and effect of stress and mental health issues that confront fire service professional nationwide.

As Chief Bishop said, we want to thank the Longview Greggton Rotary, congratulations to Longview PD.

It is EMS Week and Longview Regional sponsored an appreciation luncheon today at our training center. We have great partners in the healthcare system in our community. It's a team effort and we all participate. We are all at different levels of what we do to provide quality healthcare here in Longview. We appreciate Longview Regions for having the Mi Casita food truck come out today.

I'll end it with Code RED. We are storm season, you've seen these small storms pop up every day. Sever weather is upon us so be prepared with CODERED.

IX. Consent Agenda

Mayor Mack asked if there were any item to be moved from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

Councilmember Wright requested Item D be move for discussion.

A. 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 C& C Logging & Tree Service of Longview, Texas for debris removal services for the Public Works Division

Dwayne Archer, Assistant Public Works Director was present and requested the Council consider a resolution that would allow a contract for debris removal for the Public Works Division.

Debris from the streets and drainage department and water distribution/wastewater collection is deposited in the City's yard at 203 Pickle St., 5211 W. Loop 281 and at 933 Mobile Drive. This debris comes from street sweepers and from repairs, such as water main repairs and street repairs, that are done by Public Works. Approximately one time per year the debris is removed and taken to Aglyn Number Four, 1110 Private Road 2095. Aglyn Number Four does not charge the City for debris deposal.

Bid documents were mailed and emailed to debris removal vendors and posted on the City of Longview website. Bids were advertised in the Longview News Journal as required by law. On May 9, 2018 ten (10) bids were on file and opened.

The bids received were for an annual fee:

Scott Energy Technologies-\$28,060 + \$7% Fuel Surcharge when diesel is above \$3.00 per gallon

C&C Logging & Tree Service:	\$30,000
Barr G, Inc. -	\$31,270
LeLand Bradlee Construction, Inc.-	\$34,250
Harris Trucking Service-	\$37,750 + \$200 per day fuel surcharge
Aglyn Number Four-	\$38,500
McKinnon Construction:	\$43,000
JDW Services, Inc.-	\$62,500
Presser Construction-	\$114,100
Excel Utility Construction-no bid	

Scott Energy Technologies stated in their bid that the City would have to have a minimum of 400 cubic yards accumulated before they would start the debris removal

process. C&C Logging & Tree Service of Longview, Texas stated that the City would need a minimum of 15 cubic yards to start the debris removal process. Although Scott Technologies submitted the lowest bid, the extra 7% fuel surcharge changed the contract structure to a variable price and has made it harder to compare bid prices as Scott Energy Technologies bid a variable price. In addition it is more desirable to start the debris removal process with less cubic yards. The City does not have to wait for the debris to reach 400 cubic yards to start the process. By waiting the debris can cause an eye sore for the City as well as a possible environmental hazard. Therefore, C&C Logging is the best value for the City with fixed cost of \$30,000.

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, REJECTING THE BID OF SCOTT ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, LLC, OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL FOR THE CITY OF LONGVIEW PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION; ACCEPTING THE BID OF C&C LOGGING & TREE SERVICE OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, FOR SAID DEBRIS REMOVAL SERVICES; FINDING THAT THE BID OF C&C LOGGING & TREE SERVICE OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, CONSTITUTES THE BEST VALUE FOR THE CITY; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY BETWEEN THE CITY OF LONGVIEW AND C&C LOGGING & TREE SERVICE OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, FOR SAID DEBRIS REMOVAL 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 COMPETITIVE PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS IN SOLICITING, RECEIVING, AND ACCEPTING SAID BID; DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5326 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

B. 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 W. R. Welborn and Son, Inc., of Longview, Texas, in the amount of \$421,785 for the construction of the Maude Cobb Convention Center South Parking Lot Rehabilitation

Dwayne Archer, Assistant Public Works Director was present and requested the council consider a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$421,785.00 to W. R. Welborn & Son, Inc., of Longview, Texas for the construction of the referenced project. The following bids were opened on May 9, 2018:

Bidder	Amount
W. R. Welborn & Son, Inc. Longview, Texas	\$421,785.00
Longview Bridge & Road, Ltd. Longview, Texas	\$454,198.40
B&E Construction Inc. Longview, Texas	\$456,027.44
W. M. Miller Construction Co. Longview, Texas	\$535,654.94
Rayfords Truck & Trackor Marshall, Texas	\$547,484.75

The scope of work includes resurfacing south, west and east parking lots consisting of approximately 12,000 square yards of 2 inch asphalt pavement over 8" cement treated subgrade and miscellaneous work as necessary to complete the rehabilitation.

Johnson & Pace Inc. has examined the low bid and the qualifications of the bidder, and recommends award of the contract to W. R. Welborn & Son, in the amount of \$421,785.00. Staff concurs with their recommendation.

The following Resolution was approved:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE PROJECT**

ENTITLED "THE GREEN"; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT TO HARRISON, WALKER, AND HARPER OF PARIS, TEXAS FOR THE 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. 5327 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview

C. Consider a Resolution accepting the Green Project and authorizing final payment of \$51,806.65 to Harrison, Walker, and Harper, of Paris, Texas

Dwayne Archer, Assistant Public Works Director was present and requested council consider a resolution accepting the "The Green" project and authorizing final payment of \$51,806.65 to We Build, Inc., DBA HWH Industrial of Paris, Texas. Approval of the final payment will begin the contractor's one-year warranty period.

The City Council awarded a contract to We Build, Inc., on April 13, 2017 in the amount of \$1,036,133.01. The final construction cost is \$1,036,133.01.

The project provided for the construction of an environmental friendly outdoor park and event venue with walking trail, pavilion, play area, music node, and an aquatic classroom at SH 31 and Spur 63 at Grace Creek.

The project has been completed in accordance with the contract. The engineer, MHS Planning, recommends acceptance of the project and approval of final payment. City staff concurs with their recommendation.

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE PROJECT ENTITLED "THE GREEN"; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT TO HARRISON, WALKER, AND HARPER OF PARIS, TEXAS FOR THE 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. 5328 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview

- D. Consider a Resolution authorizing City staff to acquire certain property in the Longview McNutt Acreage, Lots 10 & 11, NCB 127, City of Longview, Gregg County, Texas, designated as parcel number 2018-P-001 in fee simple for the amount of \$285,000 as is required to complete Phase II of the Longview Multimodal Transportation Center**

This item was pulled by Councilmember Wright for further discussion:

Dwayne Archer was present and requested council consider a resolution authorizing City staff to acquire certain property in the Longview McNutt Acreage, Lots 10 & 11, City of Longview, Gregg County, Texas designated as parcel 2018-P-001 in fee simple in the amount of \$285,000 as is required to complete Phase II of the Longview Multimodal Transportation Center.

Councilmember Wright: Mr. Archer, I understand there are some concerns about the price we are paying for that location. I was just wondering if you could go through why we are paying that price for the location.

Mr. Archer: Certainly, it is a lot of money. The original estimation was done by Longview Transit in 2012 when they were putting together their grant application. They hired an appraiser and he took a look at the property, he was not able to access the property, so he did this from outside the fence. His appraisal was \$71,000.00. We took that to the seller and they said they had an appraisal at \$200,000.00. We took that appraisal to TxDOT and they said since it was from 2012, it was too old. We had that appraisal updated, it was \$285,000.00. We have also hired an appraisal review and his number came in at the \$285,000.00 as well.

Councilmember Wright: We have some grants that will help pay for this, right?

Mr. Archer: That's right, the funding is \$227,000.00 for TxDOT, and that is part of the funding grant. Gregg County is putting in \$15,000.00 and then Longview Transit will be putting in \$43,000.00 and that is part of the regular budget the city gives them each year.

Councilmember Wright: So, out of the \$285,000.00, which I understand it is all coming out of the Texas tax payers, only \$43,000.00 is from the City of Longview directly.

Mr. Archer: Yes, but it was already budgeted to Longview Transit.

Mayor Mack: Mr. Archer, who updated the appraisal?

Mr. Archer: I don't have that with me.

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

SECOND: Council Member Snoddy seconded the motion.

VOTE:	Mayor Mack	Aye
	Council Member Moore	Aye
	Council Member Snoddy	Aye
	Council Member Wray	Aye
	Council Member Ishihara	Aye
	Council Member Wright	Nay
	Council Member Pirtle	Aye

The motion carried (6,1).

Such Resolution No. 5329 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview

- E. Consider a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Lyndell McAllister for personal and professional services as Mentoring and Bridges Out of Poverty Director, an agreement with Bonnie Hull for personal and professional services as Mentoring Program Coordinator, and an agreement with Cindy Graham for personal and professional services as Mentoring Program Coordinator**

Holly Fuller, Partners in Prevention Manager was present and requested council consider a resolution authorizing City staff to acquire certain property in the Longview McNutt Acreage, Lots 10 & 11, City of Longview, Gregg County, Texas, designated as parcel 2018-P-001 in fee simple in the amount of \$285,000 as is required to complete Phase II of the Longview Multimodal Transportation Center.

The following Resolution was approved:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH LYNDELL MCALLISTER FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS MENTORING AND BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY DIRECTOR; AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BONNIE HULL FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS MENTORING PROGRAM COORDINATOR; AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CINDY GRAHAM FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS MENTORING PROGRAM COORDINATOR; AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR THE ACTING CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE EACH OF THE AFORESAID AGREEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF EACH OF SAID AGREEMENTS AT THE CITY MANAGER'S DISCRETION FOR UP TO FOUR ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERMS, PROVIDED THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT UNDER EACH SUCH AGREEMENT FOR ANY ONE RENEWAL TERM SHALL NOT EXCEED FUNDS BUDGETED FOR SAID AGREEMENT IN THE CONCURRENT BUDGET YEAR; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Such Resolution No. 5330 appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

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

SECOND: Council Member Moore seconded the motion.

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

X. Action Item

A PUBLIC HEARING will be held to consider an Ordinance adopting the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan – Macie Wyers, Senior Transportation Planner. **THIS ITEM REQUIRES A PUBLIC HEARING.** (4163)

During the development of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan we will analyze where people are most likely to walk, run and bike. Access the safety of streets and trails. Define a bicycle and pedestrian network for transportation and recreational use. Create a list of prioritized projects and work to become a more walkable and bicycle friendly community.

In creating the Bike and Pedestrian Plan, we want to design a bicycle and pedestrian network that is safe for people walking, biking, using transit and driving. We had public engagement at two different open houses in September, online crowdsourcing mapping and an online survey. The survey was one of the largest we see, even in larger communities.

Plan goals are a safe place for people of all ages and abilities. Trails, sidewalks and bikeways are continuous and connected. New walking and bicycling facilities are prioritized on routes where people want and need to go. All people have equal opportunities and public investment in walking and bicycling infrastructure have benefits that exceed their costs. They will be closely integrated with other modes and expand transit's reach, usefulness, and attractiveness.

During the plan development, we'll consider all options, however, we'll consider safety, the cost, how easy to implement these types of projects, community support, closing the gaps, and how these improvements fit together to form a well-connected system.

The plan's priorities are to improve safety and meet the demand of areas where people are most likely to bike or walk. Connectivity to existing sidewalks, bike lanes and trails.

Public Hearing

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

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS HEREOF; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECOND: Council Member Wright seconded the motion.

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

Such Resolution No. 4163 and appears in the Resolution and Ordinance records of the City of Longview.

XI. Items of Community Interest

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

Trash collection and recycling will stay on the same schedule and will not be affected.

The 2018 Strut your Mutt 1 Mile Wag Walk is happening on Saturday, June 2nd at the Longview Animal Care & Adoption Center. Enjoy a walk, music, vendors, games, and kids activities. All proceeds go back to the animals in our shelter.

Longview Splash Day is June 2nd from 1 to 6 pm at Longview Swim Center and Ingram Pool. Celebrate the official opening of the outdoor pool season with door prizes and more. Admission is \$1.

Upcoming Events: There are several upcoming events through-out the Longview community.

Dagnabbit will headline the final weekend of Downtown Live on Friday, May 25. Just before the music starts, join us at 5:20 for the ribbon cutting in honor of the newly completed Elaine Reynolds Stage at Heritage Plaza. Then, come back on Saturday, May 26 for the Downtown Live Double Shot featuring the Big Pine Blues Festival's Junior Showcase and blues artist Buddy Flett.

Artsview Children's Theatre's The Lottery is May 31 through June 2. This unusual play, with its shattering final scene produces a dramatic audience reaction, has become an internationally known classic.

Longview Comic Convention is a two-day multi-genre and comic convention on June 2 and 3 at the Maude Cobb Convention Center. This fun event will bring together a diverse group of guests, vendors, artists, and fan groups, in an affordable, family friendly environment.

The Longview Summer Boat Show will be held at Maude Cobb June 7 - 10. The event will showcase boats from Plano Marine of East Texas and Nichols Marine. Admission is free.

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

XIV. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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Angie Shepard
City Secretary

