

MINUTES
City Council – Special Meeting
January 7, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Wyman Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Gene Lockhart
Council Members Jean Klaus, Beckey Thompson & Stephanie Muller
City Manager Darrek Ferrell, City Secretary Molly Jacobsen

ABSENT: City Attorney

1. Call to Order.

2. Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution Amending and Authorizing Bank Depository Signatories with Alliance Bank.

Finance Director Jamie Campbell stated that the charter requires the City Manager and City Secretary be the signers on all bank transactions for the City. Alliance Bank requires the Council to provide a Resolution removing City Manager Darrek Ferrell as an authorized signatory and adding Interim City Manager Ned Muse.

Council Member Jean Klaus made a motion to remove Darrek Ferrell and add Interim City Manager Ned Muse as an authorized signatory to the City of Commerce accounts at Alliance Bank. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stephanie Muller and the vote carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution appointing an Investment Officer for the City of Commerce.

Finance Director Jamie Campbell told the Council that the Public Funds Investment Act Training mandates that an investment officer for the City be appointed that has completed at least one training session, at least ten hours in length, and at least 12 months within being appointed, serve as the investment officer for a municipality. Ms. Campbell mentioned that she has taken the required training and the Interim City Manager has not yet taken the training within the last 12 months.

Mayor Pro Tempore Gene Lockhart made a motion to approve a Resolution appointing Jamie Campbell as an Investment Officer for the City of Commerce. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stephanie Muller and the vote carried unanimously.

4. Discussion and Possible Action on the Approval of a Positive Pay Contract with Alliance Bank.

Finance Director Jamie Campbell discussed with the Council that this was a new program that Alliance Bank offered its clients which would regularly load every check the City writes which they would then compare with checks as people come in to cash them. She stated this was simply another security check in place for the City that was offered at no cost to the City. Mrs. Campbell reminded the Council that this contract would not in any way conflict with, change or extend the existing depository contract the City has with Alliance Bank.

5. Recess into Executive Session:

• §551.071 (1) and 551.071 (2): Consultation with Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional

1 **Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act and**
2 **Consultation with Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation.**
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- 4 • *City of Commerce v. Walker-Rahman Family Trust, Cause No. 83649, Hunt County*
5 • *Amir Rahman v. City of Commerce, Cause No. 85096, Hunt County*
6 • *Carmen Ponder v. the City of Commerce, Texas & Kerry Crews, Case No. CV-01205-C*
7 • *Orvis Wain Reynolds v. the City of Commerce, Case No. CV- 01577-S*
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9 • **§551.074: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties,**
10 **discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee (City Manager).**
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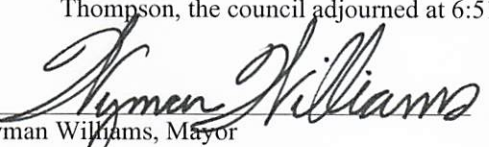
12 Council Member Jean Klaus made a motion to recess into executive session. The motion was
13 seconded by Council Member Beckey Thompson and the Council recessed into executive session
14 at 6:05 p.m.
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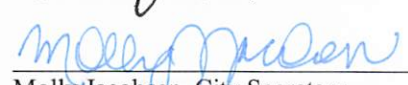
16 **6. Reconvene into Open session: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the**
17 **City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to consider action, if any, on matters**
18 **discussed in Executive Session.**
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20 The Council reconvened into Open Session at 6:51 p.m. No action was taken out of executive
21 session.
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23 **7. Adjourn.**
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25 Council Member Jean Klaus made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Beckey
26 Thompson, the council adjourned at 6:51 p.m.
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30 Wyman Williams, Mayor
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33 Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary
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