



## Minutes Anson City Council Meeting

The Anson City Council held a meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022 at 6:00 at the Anson City Hall, 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance Linda Powell, Misti Seay, Gilbert Baladez, Robert Patterson, and Mayor Sara Alfaro. Also in attendance City Manager Sonny Campbell, City Attorney Chad Cowan, and Police Chief Daniel Graziose.

Mayor Sara Alfaro called the meeting to order at 6:01pm and Robert Patterson provided the opening prayer.

**A. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).**

None.

**B. Discuss and take action on the November 14, 2022 City Council meeting minutes.**

Gilbert Baladez motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

**C. Discuss and take action on the November 18, 2022 Special Called City Council meeting minutes.**

Robert Patterson motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Linda Powell seconded. All approved

**D. Discuss and take action on the Application to Amend the Official Zoning Map (the "Map") of the City of Anson. The applicant is Chasity M. Rodriguez & Anis Rodriguez. The applicant is requesting that approximately .30 acres of land, more or less, located east of the intersection of Commercial Avenue and 24th Street on the South Side of 24th Street, and being A0279 4 MEP and P, Tract 279-46 particularly known as 931 24th Street, Anson, TX 79501 be rezoned from SF Single Family Residential Dwelling District to a mixed use of MHS Manufactured Housing Subdivision District and SF Single-Family Residential District.**

Chasity and Anis Rodriguez explained if the application is approved a new HUD Manufactured home would be placed on the property. Robert Patterson motioned to approve the application from Chasity and Anis Rodriguez to amend the zoning map and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

**E. Discuss and take action on creating a school zone. Presentation from James Berry/Bethel Assembly of God.**

James Berry explained that Bethel Assembly of God has created the White Horse Christian Academy, and that the church would like the alley that runs North and South between Commercial Avenue and Avenue J be designated a school zone area and signs be erected to reflect this. City Attorney Chad Cowan informed the council that he would need to research legislation regarding designating a new school zone area. No action taken.



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**F. Discuss and take action on approving guidelines and criteria governing tax abatement within the city of Anson, Texas.**

City Attorney Chad Cowan explained that the tax abatement guidelines have not been changed from the previous guidelines but must be approved every two years. Linda Powell motioned to approve the tax abatement guidelines for the maximum length of two years. Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

**G. Discuss and take action on Resolution 112822 supporting legislation expanding the eligibility qualifications to serve on the board of directors for the West Central Texas Municipal Water District.**

City Manager Sonny Campbell explained that the resolution would allow an individual who did not reside in the city limits of Anson to serve on the WCTMWD board. Linda Powell motioned to deny Resolution 112822 and Misti Seay seconded. All approved.

**H. Discuss and take action on Correction Deed for the East 40' of Lots Five (5), Six (6) and Seven (7) in Block One (1) of the Sears Addition to the City of Anson, Jones County, Texas (R27021) Owners Rocky Soliz, 814 Independence Dr., Anson, TX 79501.**

Linda Powell motioned to approve the correction deed regarding property R27021 and Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

**I. Discuss and take action on the sale of trust property known as; Lot Seven (7) in Block Four (4) of the Wilson & McCreight Addition to the City of Anson, Jones County, Texas (R55528) for the amount of \$1,500.00 to Rachel and Ralph Fernandez, 10010 W 7th St, Texarkana, Texas 75501.**

Misti Seay motioned to approve the sale of trust property known as R55528 for \$1,500 from Rachel and Ralph Fernandez. Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

**J. Police Chief Report Discuss and or take action on:**

**a. Allowing Police Officers other than the "First Call Officer" to take their patrol unit home.**

Police Chief Daniel Graziose presented the council a Power Point presentation examining pros and cons of allowing take home vehicles.

Gilbert Baladez motioned to approve allowing the Police Department officers to take home vehicles if they're within 30 miles of the city limits. Misti Seay seconded. All approved.



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## K. City Manager Report Discuss and or take action on:

### a. Employee sick accrual and leave. (The Council may adjourn into executive session as allowed in Texas Gov` t Code 551.074 Personnel Matters.)

City Manager Campbell explained that he believed amending the sick accrual rates would help prevent abuse of sick time leave.

Tenure	Time Accrued	Max Annual Accrual
Less Than 6 months	0 days	0 hours
6 months to Two years	4 hours/pay period	100 hours
Three to five years	4 hours/pay period	250 hours
Five to Seven years	4 hours/pay period	350 hours
Eight plus years	4 hours/pay period	480 hours

Misti Seay motioned to approve the amendments to the employee sick accrual and leave policy discussed and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

### b. Employer paid education/training policies. (The Council may adjourn into executive session as allowed in Texas Gov` t Code 551.074 Personnel Matters.)

The council discussed a policy regarding the education of employees and possible repayment of schooling by the employee in the event they do not work a year following the education. City Attorney Chad Cowan ask that the item be tabled to conduct more research into the policy. Tabled.

## L. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.

Linda Powell motioned to approve the accounts payable and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

## M. Adjourn.

Linda Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm, and Misti Seay seconded. All approved.