

**GIDDINGS CITY COUNCIL-EMEGRENCY MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday April 1, 2020 AT 4:00 P.M**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 118 E RICHMOND, GIDDINGS, TEXAS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Dowell at 12.02 p.m. with the following present:

Members Present: Mayor John Dowell, Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez, Council Members Frank Castro, Alan Casey, Linda Pruitt, Jake Horne-10 minutes late.

Staff Present: City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, City Secretary Andrea Ray, Director of Public Works Spencer Schneider.

**2. PLEDGES TO THE US AND TEXAS FLAGS-** Pledges were said.

**3. INVOCATION AND WELCOME-** City Manager Ricky Jorgensen gave the invocation and Mayor John Dowell welcomed all in attendance.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA** – All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests.

**a. Consider approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held on Friday, March 27, 2020.**

A motion was made City Council Member Linda Pruitt by and seconded by City Council Member Frank Castro for approval of Minutes for Meeting held on March 27, 2020.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members Casey, Castro, Horne, Pruitt, Lopez

Nays: None

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Discussion and take possible action on Resolution No. 452-2020 approving a Giddings Economic Development Program Expenditure to ZochNet for a grant of \$50,000.00 expansion of broadband internet services. This is the final reading of two readings.**

City Council Member Alan Casey spoke to City Council on this agenda item. The GEDC expenditure for ZochNet will help to put fiber optics in place for the City of Giddings citizens as whole to use the services. This will expand to the City Parks for the use of WIFI. This money will help to buy products and help with staff costs.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Joel Lopez and seconded b City Council Member Jake Horne to approve the Resolution No. 452-2020 approving a Giddings Economic Development Program Expenditure to ZochNet for a grant of \$50,000.00 expansion of broadband internet services. This is the final reading of two readings.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: City Council Members Casey, Castro, Horne, Pruitt, Lopez

Nays: None

**b. Discussion and take possible action on the COVID-19 Emergency effect on City Employees, City Operations, City Wide Essential Services and Activities.**

**NO ACTION TAKEN**

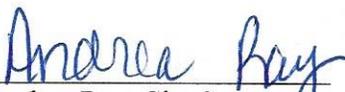
**6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

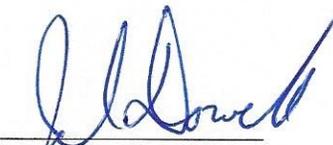
- 1. Electric Department-No gathering in the office two line taking trucks home and on call.**
- 2. Parks-all play escapes, swings, basketball and tennis courts are closed.**
- 3. Golf Course-is closed.**
- 4. Water Works-Very Busy-no more than two in a truck.**
- 5. Parks- Very bust mowing grass.**
- 6. New Liberian has been here for one week-working at the Library-working on Spring Cleaning and working on the Library accounts.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**Meeting adjourned at Wednesday April 1, 2020 at 12:56 p.m. by Mayor John Dowell**

ATTEST:

  
Andrea Ray, City Secretary

  
John Dowell, Mayor

