

HONORABLE MAYOR

Anthony David Turner, MPH

MAYOR PRO TEM

Louie Alfaro, Place #4

COUNCIL

Alicia Stevens, Place #1

Shawn Weeks, Place #2

Todd Wolford, Place #3

Eduardo Chavez, Place #5



MINUTES

Town of Anthony, Texas

June 10, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

at 5:30 p.m.

Anthony Town Hall,
401 Wildcat Drive
Anthony, Texas 79821

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Town of Anthony Council, to be held on Monday, June 10, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 401 Wildcat Drive, Anthony, Texas 79821, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action. The Town of Anthony Council reserves the right to meet in a closed session for consultation with the Town Attorney on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER- Mayor turner called meeting to order at 5:37pm.

2.0 QUORUM

Councilwoman Stevens- Yes

Councilman Weeks- Yes

Mayor Turner- Yes

Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro- Yes

Councilman Wolford- Yes

Councilman Chavez- Yes

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECEIPT OF PETITIONS: *[At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters or matters under litigation, for length of time not to exceed two minutes. No Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law – GC, 551.042.]*

No public comment.

5.0 Approve the Minutes of the following Town of Anthony Council Meetings:

- 05-28-2024 Regular Town Council Meeting - pending

6.0 New Business:

6.1 Discussion, consideration and action on a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Lease Agreement between American Promotional Events, Inc dba TNT Fireworks ("Lessee") and Town of Anthony, Texas ("Lessor") for the property municipally known and numbered as 1400 Antonio Street Anthony, Texas 79821 for the time period covering June 24, 2024 to July 4, 2024.

Mr. Viramontes with TNT Fireworks stated that they lost the lease with Pilot Travel Center and asked the Mayor and Council for permission to sell fireworks at 1400 Antonio St. Councilman Weeks motioned to approve the memorandum made by Councilman Chavez and modified Dates for June 21st to July 8th, 2024. Seconded by Councilman Chavez. Motion passed 5-0.

6.2 Discussion, consideration and action on a waiver of property taxes request from Anthony Housing Authority for lieu taxes

Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro motioned to table 6.2, seconded by Councilman Chavez. Motion passed 5-0.

6.3 Discussion, consideration and action on Resolution authorizing staff to issue a request for proposal to procure administrative services (RFP in connection with for the Texas Community Development Grant Program for 2025/2026 Community Development Fund.

The Town Clerk mentioned this is a grant for streets and the priorities streets are Omar Street, Third Street and Mountain Pass. Councilman Chavez motioned to approve, second by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 5-0.

6.4 Discussion, consideration and action on a Resolution authorizing staff to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to procure engineering services for grant pre-application (Phase I) , application (Phase II) and implementation services in connection with the Texas Community Development Grant Program for FY 2025/2026 Community Development Fund.

Councilman Chavez motioned to approve, second by Councilman Weeks. Motion passed 5-0.

6.5 Discussion, consideration and action on a request for qualifications (RFQ) for employee benefits broker services for the Town of Anthony, Texas for fiscal year 2024-2025

Chief Enriquez stated that the current broker is not meeting the employees' and town's needs. Chief, Town Clerk, Accounting Manager, and Mayor met with three brokers, the current Broker Zach, Brinson & Simpatico, and USI Broker. Their recommendation is a local firm USI, they have an MD on board and can oversee claims that are coming out of the town and if they are not reoccurring claims, they

can allow the town to lower the insurance rates. Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro motioned to use USI, seconded by Councilwoman Stevens. Motion passed 5-0.

7.0 Reports

7.1 Public Works Department- Public Works Superintendent Isael gave a report for the Month of May for Parks, Streets, Water and Sewer.

7.2 Finance Department- Nothing to Report.

7.3 Anthony Police and Municipal Court Department- Chief Enriquez gave a report for the Anthony Police Department and the Municipal Court Department for the month of May. The Chief also honored and presented an award to Officer O'Hara for his actions that saved a life on April 30,2024.

7.4 Administration Department- Mayor Turner mentioned downloading the App Go Gov for any news and updates for the Town. Mobile office hours with Texas Senator Cesar Blanco offices Thursday June 13th, 2024. Mentioned that the 4th of July route had been posted. Mayor Turner stated the town is starting a community partnership program for the town. And wanted to reminder residents that the Farmers Market is every Saturday from 10am to 2pm.

8.0 The Town Council will go into a closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.087 (Deliberation regarding Economic Development) and 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) of the Texas Government Code to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1); the open meeting will be reconvened following the closed session at which time action, if any, will be considered.

The council went into close session at 6:31pm.

8.1 Town Council will be in closed session to discuss economic development: 892 acres, 900 Ginger, L.P. and Exit 0, L.P.

The Town Council will go into a closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) of the Texas Government Code to seek the advice, consult and discuss with its attorney about a pending or contemplated litigation; the open meeting will be reconvened following the closed session at which time action, if any, will be considered.

8.2 Town Council will be in closed session to seek advice, consult and discuss with its attorney about AECOM Engineering Services Agreement

Reconvene into open session and take any action if necessary:

The council reconvene into open session at 7:30pm.

8.1 Take action, if necessary, based on discussions held in closed session under Executive Session Agenda Item 8.1

No action taken.

8.2 Take action, if necessary based on discussions held in closed session under Executive Session Agenda Item 8.2

No action taken.

The next Regular Town Council meeting is scheduled at 5:30 PM on Monday, June 24, 2024.

- I. **ADJOURN MEETING – Councilman Weeks motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:30pm, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 5-0.**



MINUTES PASSED AND APPROVED ON July 8, 2024.

**APPROVED BY HONORABLE MAYOR
ANTHONY DAVID TURNER, MPH**

**SUBMITTED BY: TOWN CLERK
VALERIE M. ARMENDARIZ, MPA**