Approved 10/17/22

MINUTES – CALLED COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022 – 6:30 P.M. LOCATION: ALAMO COMMUNITY CENTER

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Pam Lee, Patricia Woodard, Bobby Cox, Dondrea Geter, Harry Lewis, Steve Jones, Pro-Tem Thomas Lott, and City Manager, Jeff Floyd

\*\* CITY CLERK WAS ABSENT FROM MEETING SO MINUTE NOTES WERE TAKEN BY CITY MANAGER, JEFF FLOYD. \*\*

- 1. Call Meeting to Order Mayor Lee called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm
- 2. Invocation Jeffrey Floyd
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approve Agenda Woodard0 made a motion to approve the agenda, Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## 5. Broadband Grant:

- Woodard spoke about her decision
- Steven Pollard Questioned companies about service
  - o Culture said \$55 for everyone for ACP
  - o GTC said \$ 99.95 or another package for \$ 89.95 with additional \$30 off for ACP
- Geter asked if GTC provide from any other providers?
  - o GTC stated no.
- Lott asked about service
- Kristen Mincey talked about Glenwood service
- Johnny Moore asked about service
  - o GTC explained service
- Woodard asked how much does someone need?
- Steve Pollard asked what you can get from the service
- Woodard asked about service
  - Culture stated that they are partnered with Workforce Development, and they provide training and community support.
- Geter asked are you doing more fiber?
  - o GTC stated that there is more fiber to do and are 1500 ft from office in Glenwood.
- Geter asked if there were any post planning?
  - o GTC stated that they are waiting on letters from Alamo and Rick Allen.
  - o Culture stated the letters may carry weight.
- GTC talked about grant and plans to build and continuing
- Culture Jerome Howard Alamo do something different. Build any solution in Alamo
- Lott asked where would Culture Wireless support come from?
  - Culture responded they plan on putting services in place.
  - o Glenwood responded that they have hard people in place
- A citizen asked if services will be provided in rural areas?
  - o Culture and GTC both stated YES

- Woodard asked if two letters would hurt the grant?
  - o GTC stated no it will not hurt it's a win-win
  - Culture Wireless stated that it would add to their support.
- GTC stated one winning person for grant
- Citizen asked about services.
  - o GTC stated they will provide as they go.
- Cox asked where GTC was laying fiber?
  - o GTC responded 1500 ft from city limits on Old Glenwood Rd.
- Cox asked GTC about their support letters
  - o GTC responded they have multiple letters.
- Jones asked so it's copper to fiber.
  - o GTC stated that fiber is better than copper.

Jones made the motion to go with GTC, Cox 2nd, Lewis, Lott, Woodard and Geter opposed.

Woodard made the motion to go with Culture Wireless, Geter 2<sup>nd</sup>, Lewis (written response), and Lott approved. Jones and Cox opposed. Culture Wireless awarded letter by majority vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM with Geter making the motion, Lott 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimously approved.

**Submitted By:** 

Attest:

**Presiding Officer** 

City Clerk

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