

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND PARK, TEXAS, HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, 4700 DREXEL DRIVE, HIGHLAND PARK, TX, 75205, AT 8:00 A.M. ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024.

Mayor Will C. Beecherl, Mayor Pro Tem Don Snell, and Town Council Members Alan Friedman, Marc Myers, Lydia Novakov, and Leland White attended the meeting.

- I. Mayor Will C. Beecherl called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
- II. Council Member Lydia Novakov gave the Invocation.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Beecherl asked if anyone wished to address the Town Council about any item listed on the agenda and explained that the Town Council may not discuss or make decisions on items not listed on the agenda. Public comments are limited to three minutes per speaker unless otherwise required by law. Items suggested for action may be placed on a future agenda at the Town Council's discretion. There was no comment.

IV. PROCLAMATION

*Presentation of a proclamation by Mayor Will C. Beecherl designating November 4-8, 2024, as Municipal Court Week.* Mayor Beecherl read the proclamation and thanked the Municipal Court staff. Judge Al Hammack stated that in the 40 years of his career, the Town of Highland Park Municipal Court department is the best team he has ever worked with.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Council Member Alan Friedman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Don Snell, the Town Council voted unanimously to approve Items A. through C. on the Consent Agenda. Prior to the vote, Mayor Beecherl explained that the Town Council reviewed these items before the meeting.

- A. *Take action on the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on October 15, 2024.*
- B. *Take action on the minutes of the Town Council study session held on October 15, 2024.*
- C. *Take action on Resolution 017-24 for the Town of Highland Park to continue a Regional Emergency Management Mutual Aid agreement with Dallas County for the purpose of providing and receiving emergency management assistance.*

VI. MAIN AGENDA

A. *Review, discuss, and take action authorizing the Town Administrator to execute a contract for the installation of Flock Safety cameras.* Chuck McGinnis, Director of Public Safety, and Hector Soliman-Valdez, Director of Community Affairs with Flock Safety, explained that Flock Safety is a public safety technology company that provides license plate recognition ("LPR") cameras designed to reduce crime and improve the efficiency of law enforcement. Unlike traditional security cameras, Flock systems focus on capturing license plates. The solar-powered cameras are strategically placed to identify vehicles involved in criminal activity, cases of missing

persons, or public safety threats. The system alerts law enforcement within seconds when a wanted vehicle or stolen plate is detected, allowing officers to respond more proactively. In response to a question raised by Council Member Myers, Chief McGinnis explained that the contract contains a one-time purchase fee of \$36,150. This fee includes the 11 cameras, installation and set-up. There is an annual fee of \$33,000 for contract services and maintenance of the equipment. The total price to begin this project is \$69,150. On a motion made by Council Member Lydia Novakov, seconded by Council Member Alan Friedman, the Town Council unanimously voted to approve authorizing the Town Administrator to execute a contract for the installation of Flock Safety cameras.

Mayor Beecherl adjourned the Town Council meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Approved on this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2024.

APPROVED:



Will C. Beecherl  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Joanna Mekeal  
Town Secretary