



LINH CHAU – Mayor
 LARRY GLENN – Councilmember Place 1
 DONNA HARVEY SCHULMAN – Councilmember Place 2
 MARY CROCKER – Councilmember Place 3
 TROY LEWIS – Councilmember Place 4
 WAYNE DODD – Councilmember Place 5
 MICHAEL DOTSON – Councilmember Place 6

**CITY OF PALACIOS
 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
 March 2, 2021**

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING 6PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Chau at 6:00 pm
INVOCATION – Councilmember Lewis
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Crocker
PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG – Councilmember Crocker
PLEDGE TO PALACIOS FLAG – Councilmember Crocker

VISITOR / CITIZEN FORUM – Any person with city related business may speak to City Council. All speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes.

None.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

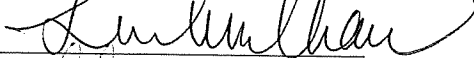
1. Discuss and consider approving an Order extending the City of Palacios, Texas Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster Due to Severe Weather Event declared by Mayor Linh Chau on February 23, 2021 for an additional thirty (30) days until Thursday, April 1, 2021. Councilmember Lewis motioned to extend the Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster Due to the Severe Weather Event until April 1, 2021
 Councilmember Crocker seconded
 There was no opposition
 With no opposition, the motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

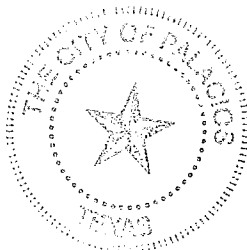
In accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, (Open Meetings Law) the Council May go into Executive (closed) session in order to:
 Consult with its attorney (551.071)
 Discuss Real Estate transaction (551.072)
 Deliberation regarding prospective gifts or donation (551.073)
 Discuss personnel matters (551.074)
 Deliberation regarding security devices (551.076)
 Discuss economic development negotiations (551.087)

ADJOURN

Councilmember Lewis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 pm
 Councilmember Dotson seconded
 There was no opposition
 With no opposition, the motion carried


 Linh Chau, Mayor


 Clissa Mills, City Secretary



**ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALACIOS
TEXAS EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE
OF DISASTER DUE TO SEVERE WINTER WEATHER**

WHEREAS, severe winter weather created an imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury, and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, snow and freezing rain throughout the City of Palacios, a threat which requires emergency action; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, Texas Governor Greg Abbott declared a state of disaster for all 254 counties based on the existence of such severe winter weather threat, and Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code authorizes the Mayor of the City of Palacios, as the presiding officer of the governing body of a political subdivision, to declare a local state of disaster; and

WHEREAS, Linh Chau, as the Mayor of the City of Palacios, determined that extraordinary measures should be taken to protect life and property threatened by this severe winter weather, and declared a state of disaster of disaster on February 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of disaster facilitates and expedites the use and deployment of resources to enhance preparedness and response, and there is a continued need to expedite such resources; and

WHEREAS, that pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code this declaration cannot be extend by more that seven days without consent of the City Council, and the Mayor and City Council desire to extend this declaration beyond seven days; **NOW THEREFORE,**

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALACIOS, TEXAS:

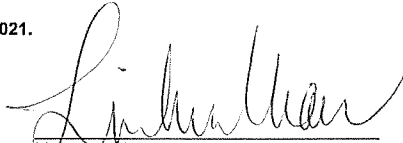
SECTION 1. That the local state of disaster due to severe winter weather in the City of Palacios previously declared by the Mayor, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code, and effective beginning February 23, 2021, is by vote and consent of the City Council, further extended for thirty (30) days until April 1, 2021.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to Section 418.108© of the Texas Government Code this declaration extension shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, the declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Palacios, Texas, emergency management plan, and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the declaration.

SECTION 4. That this order shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this 2nd day of March, 2021.


Linh Chau, Mayor
City of Palacios, Texas

ATTEST:


CLISSA MILLS, City Secretary

