

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
February 17, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on February 17, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Glenn Loch
Council Members Charles Draper, Jim Goldsworthy, Ray Nichols,
Vince Rippy

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carolyn Hendricks, Beverly Snuggs

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Steven Fleming, Police Chief; Kent Sharp, GEDC Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Virgil Musick, Belva McClinton, Dick Sparkman, Randy Rhoades, Kit Chase, Stephen Monahan, Rod Tyler, Don Wallace

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Loch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of members present. The absence of Council members Hendricks and Snuggs was noted.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Draper gave the invocation. Mayor Loch led the pledge to the flag.

REPORTS

Police Chief Steven Fleming presented the annual report on traffic contact data for the Gainesville Police Department. Fleming said the department is in compliance with state law.

Steven Porter, Chief Executive Officer of the North Texas Medical Center, informed the Council regarding legislation affecting the Gainesville Hospital District. Porter said the proposed Enabling Act would allow the Board of Directors of the Gainesville Hospital District to employ physicians or other health care providers as they consider necessary for the operation of the district. The Gainesville Hospital District Board voted in favor of the enabling legislation.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3, 2009 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council reviewed the Minutes of the City Council Meeting of February 3, 2009 and approved them as written.

Councilmember Nichols moved to **approve the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Draper. Motion carried by vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 absent (Hendricks, Snuggs).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-17-2008 – APPROVING GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DECISION TO HIRE A LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANT

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHICH APPROVED HIRING HANCE SCARBOROUGH, LLP, LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANTS, FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$75,000.00 PLUS LIMITED EXPENSES.

Council approved on second reading of the resolution the actions of the GEDC Board of Directors to hire the firm of Hance Scarborough LLP as legislative consultants, at a cost of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) plus limited expenses. The firm will assist and represent Gainesville in front of federal and state policy makers and agencies to secure funding for local projects.

Councilmember Draper moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Goldsworthy. Motion carried by vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 absent (Hendricks, Snuggs).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-17-2008A - SHARED POLLING LOCATION AGREEMENT WITH GISD AND NTMC ON MAY 9, 2009

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GAINESVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (GISD), THE NORTH TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER (NTMC), TO SHARE A POLLING LOCATION IN CERTAIN VOTING PRECINCTS FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION ON MAY 9, 2009.

The agreement recommended for approval is between the City of Gainesville, the Gainesville Independent School District (GISD), and the North Texas Medical Center (NTMC), to share the Civic Center as a polling location for the General Election on May 9, 2009. Each entity is responsible for all aspects of their election process at the Civic Center on May 9.

Councilmember Goldsworthy moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 absent (Hendricks, Snuggs).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-17-2008B - AGREEMENT WITH COOKE COUNTY FOR VOTING MACHINE(S) FOR THE MAY 2009 GENERAL ELECTION.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH COOKE COUNTY TO PROVIDE VOTING MACHINE(S) FOR THE MAY 2009 GENERAL ELECTION.

The agreement recommended for approval is with Cooke County to provide a voting machine to the City for early voting and Election Day voting during the City's general election. The City is required by the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) to provide an electronic voting machine for voters. Cooke County Commissioners voted to provide the machine to the City at no charge.

Councilmember Draper moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 absent (Hendricks, Snuggs).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-17-2008C - AGREEMENT WITH GT DISTRIBUTORS FOR THE SALE AND DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GT DISTRIBUTORS FOR THE SALE AND DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY.

City Manager Barry Sullivan explained that by entering an agreement with GT Distributors the Gainesville Police Department will receive trade in value for seized firearms in the evidence/property room, which the GPD is no longer required to hold due to final disposition of their related cases. In addition, GPD plans to trade in selected outdated department-owned rifles to receive store credit, which they will use to purchase new firearms for the department. Sullivan

