

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
September 6, 2011**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on September 6, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jim Goldsworthy
Carolyn Hendricks, Ken Keeler, Philip Neelley, Ray Nichols,
Vince Rippey, Beverly Snuggs

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Steven Fleming, Police Chief; Lynette Pettigrew, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director/Main Street Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Kit Chase, Greg Russell, Karen Cook, Dr. James Egan

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All Council members were present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. James Egan, First Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led in the pledge to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of August 16, 2011 and approved them as written.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the items on the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Keeler. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FY 2011

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE OF \$0.647 PER \$100 VALUATION FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

Mayor Goldsworthy opened the second Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m. and called for public comment regarding the proposed tax rate of \$0.647 per \$100 valuation. No person came forward to speak either for or against the proposed tax rate. There was no discussion, and Councilmember Keeler **moved to close the Public Hearing**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Neelley, and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:34p.m.

The City Council will vote to set the tax rate at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 200 South Rusk Street.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

Mayor Goldsworthy opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m. and called for public comment on the proposed City budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012. No person came forward to speak either

for or against the proposed budget. With no further discussion, Councilmember Snuggs moved to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Councilmember Keeler. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 – SETTING DATE FOR ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 BUDGET FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATE FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE.

Per State statute, if budget adoption will take place on a future date after the Public Hearing, the Council must vote to set the date they will take action to adopt the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Budget.

Councilmember Snuggs made a motion to schedule September 20, 2011 as the date the City Council will consider and take action of the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget. **This motion was seconded by Councilmember Hendricks, and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.**

The City Council will consider and take action on adoption of the budget for FY 2011-2012 at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 20, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 200 South Rusk Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 A – APPROVE ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

A RESOLUTION UPDATING AND APPROVING THE ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Manager Barry Sullivan presented the annual fee schedule for City services for Fiscal Year 2011-2012. The new rates become effective October 1, 2011. There are numerous changes throughout the schedule. The Annual Player Pass at the Golf Course will increase \$10, effective in April 2012. Civic Center rental fees are increased to cover more of its operational cost for use of the facility. Permit fees and licenses in the Community Services Department have been changed to cover cost for inspections. Some fees are lower and some are higher. Inspections are now being performed by Bureau Veritas. Building permit charges are based on construction value. Under Solid Waste collection, customers ordering a second solid waste cart will be charged \$6.09 per month, an increase of \$3. Water and Sewer rates are increasing 3%. The customer using 5,000 gallons a month will pay \$33.72 (an increase of \$0.99). The City Manager noted that water rates have not been increased since October 2008. Mayor Goldsworthy affirmed the need for the rate increase, stating the importance of the City charging the right rates to keep our water system viable. The adopted fee schedule will be posted on the City website.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Neelley. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 B – APPROVE SALE OF ALCOHOL IN THE 100-200 BLOCKS OF COMMERCE DURING DEPOT DAYS ON OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL IN THE 100 & 200 BLOCKS OF COMMERCE STREET BY THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE MAIN STREET PROGRAM DURING DEPOT DAY ON OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2011.

Gainesville Main Street Program was approved to sell alcohol during Depot Day on October 7 & 8 in the 100 and 200 blocks of Commerce Street. Depot Days will be a multi-day festival this

year. A free music concert will take place Friday evening, and the 25th Annual Depot Days Festival will take place Saturday in the downtown area, encompassing approximately twelve city blocks. The festival will include a large car show, an arts and crafts show, children's activities in the Kidz Zone, festival foods, and live entertainment on the outdoor stage. Concessions including alcohol will be sold for fund raising purposes by Gainesville Main Street on Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the 100 & 200 block(s) of Commerce Street and from Dixon to Weaver. The intent is to increase attendance and revenues for Depot Day. On Saturday the perimeter of the entire festival will be from Weaver St. to Denton Street to Elm Street to Pecan Street.

Councilmember Neelley **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Snuggs. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 C – APPROVE SALE OF ALCOHOL IN THE FRANK BUCK ZOO DURING ZOOBILEE ON OCTOBER 1, 2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL IN THE FRANK BUCK ZOO LOCATED AT 1000 WEST CALIFORNIA STREET BY THE FRANK BUCK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY DURING ZOOBILEE ON OCTOBER 1, 2011.

Sale of alcohol was approved during Zoobilee on October 1, 2011, in the Frank Buck Zoo. Frank Buck Zoological Society will sell alcohol from 6:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. in the Zoo located at 1000 W. California Street. Zoobilee is an annual event in its 12th year to foster attendance, revenues and awareness for the Frank Buck Zoo.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Rippy. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 D – APPROVE COOKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT (CCAD) 2011-2012 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH THE CCAD FOR ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES

A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED COOKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT 2011-2012 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT WITH THE COOKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES AND PAYMENT OF FEES FOR SUCH SERVICES.

Council took action to approve the CCAD Budget for 2011-2012 and also authorized a two-year contract with the CCAD for appraisal and collection services for City ad valorem taxes. The contract period is January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013. Councilmember Snuggs, who also serves on the CCAD Board of Directors, recommended approval of the budget, and added the Board has discussed establishing a reserve fund for emergency expenditures. Sullivan responded that request would be presented on the next Council agenda.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Keeler. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION TO APPROVE GEDC REVENUE SHARE AGREEMENT WITH SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

FIRST READING OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WHICH VOTED TO APPROVE A REVENUE SHARE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GAINESVILLE EDC AND SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION.

First reading was completed for a resolution regarding the decision of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation to execute a revenue sharing agreement between the GEDC and Schlumberger Technology Corporation. Schlumberger leases building space from the GEDC on City owned land located at the Gainesville municipal airport. With approval of the resolution,

Schlumberger will receive a rebate of fifty percent (50%) of the local economic development sales tax amount (0.25%) remitted on sales generated by Schlumberger in the City of Gainesville, after the first \$83,330 of sales tax paid per year. Per State law, the GEDC project must receive two readings by the City Council prior to approval. Second reading of the resolution is scheduled for the September 20 City Council meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-06-2011 E – APPROVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR A REVENUE SHARING ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE AND SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHAPTER 380 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR A REVENUE SHARING ARRANGEMENT WITH SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION.

Council authorized an economic development agreement between the City of Gainesville and Schlumberger Technology Corporation to share sales tax revenues as allowed by Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code to support local business activity, employment and development. Sullivan said the economic development incentive would allow Schlumberger Technology Corporation to receive a rebate of fifty percent (50%) of the amount of non-dedicated sales tax revenues (1.00%) generated on all of Schlumberger's sales in the City of Gainesville, after the first \$416,670 of sales tax paid per year to the City by Schlumberger.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Neelley. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION TO APPROVE GEDC FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO SPRAYLAT CORPORATION

FIRST READING OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WHICH APPROVED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES FOR SPRAYLAT CORPORATION.

First reading was completed for a resolution approving the decision of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation in providing an economic development incentive to Spraylat Corporation. Spraylat plans to invest \$1,000,000 in machinery and equipment in its Gainesville facility and create up to twenty (20) additional jobs in this location. The GEDC Board of Directors approved a financial incentive to Spraylat of \$5,000 per newly created job up to a maximum of twenty (20) jobs. To be eligible for the incentive, a new employee must reside within Cooke County. Sullivan said providing the economic incentive to the local company is good for both the City and Spraylat because it shows loyalty to local business and helps them continue to operate in Gainesville. Per State law, the GEDC project must receive two readings by the City Council prior to approval. Second reading of the resolution is scheduled for the September 20 City Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not convene into executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/
Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

/S/
Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor