

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
September 2, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on September 2, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jim Goldsworthy
Mary Jo Dollar, Carolyn Hendricks, Ken Keeler, Ray Nichols,
Beverly Snuggs

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Keith Clegg

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Karen Dixon, Controller

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Mounce, Keith King, Renada and Tim Hudson, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of members present. Councilman Clegg was absent.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Reverend John Hare, First Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

GFOA Distinguished Budget Award for FY 2013 to City of Gainesville

Dan Parker, Finance Director, and Karen Dixon, City Controller, received on behalf of the City the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013. Parker credited City Manager Barry Sullivan for his direction in budget document information to achieve this award. This is the fifth year for the City of Gainesville to receive this award from the GFOA.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of August 19, 2014, and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 – APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Re-appointment of Mark Scruggs, Robert Bloom, and Tom James to the Board of Directors of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation was approved. Charles Draper and Joe Wallace were appointed to serve Ex Officio. Each appointment is to a term of two years expiring August 2016.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve all items on the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Snuggs. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED FY 2014-2015 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE

Mayor Goldsworthy opened the Public Hearing at 6:34 p.m. and called for public comment on the proposed City budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015. No one came forward to speak either for or against the proposed budget. With no further discussion, Councilmember Snuggs moved to close the Public Hearing, with second by Councilmember Nichols, and the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:35 p.m.

Mayor Goldsworthy made the announcement that Council will consider and take action to adopt the budget at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 200 South Rusk Street.

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.690890 PER \$100 VALUATION FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE FOR 2015

Mayor Goldsworthy opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m. and called for public comment regarding the proposed tax rate of \$0.690890 per \$100 valuation. No one came forward to speak either for or against the proposed tax rate. There was no discussion, and Councilmember Snuggs moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nichols, and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.

Mayor Goldsworthy announced the City Council will vote to set the tax rate at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 200 South Rusk Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 A – APPROVING GEDC ADOPTION OF THE COOKE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND APPROVED FUNDING

RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHICH APPROVED THE COOKE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND APPROVED FUNDING.

Council approved the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation's adoption of the Cooke County Fair Association (CCFA) as an economic development project and funding in the amount of \$42,874. CCFA requested the funding to use for bleachers at their exhibition facility on West Highway 82. The GEDC funding is one third of the total amount requested by CCFA.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 B - GEDC ADOPTION OF WINDSOR AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND APPROVED FUNDING

RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHICH APPROVED FUNDING OF THE WINDSOR MOVIE PROJECT.

Council approved Gainesville Economic Development Corporation's adoption of Windsor as an economic development project and funding in the amount of \$10,000. The GEDC Board stipulated the funds are to be paid only to Cooke County vendors for invoices generated in connection with goods and/or services rendered in the making of the movie in Gainesville. Councilmember Snuggs voted against the project.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 5 Ayes, 1 Nay (Snuggs), 1 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 C - GEDC ISSUANCE OF \$2,500,000 IN SERIES 2014 BONDS FOR GAINESVILLE INDUSTRIAL PARK INFRASTRUCTURE

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, INC. AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.

Approved Gainesville Economic Development Corporation's issuance of bonds in the amount of \$2,500,000 which will be used for infrastructure improvements, including public roadways, water, sewer and wastewater facilities, and other necessary public infrastructure improvements at the new 142 acre Gateway Industrial Park located north and east of the Gainesville Municipal Airport. City Manager Barry Sullivan emphasized that the bonds are not City bonds and the City has no obligation for the bonds. The bonds are the sole obligation of the GEDC.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 D – COUNCIL BALLOT FOR TML MULTISTATE IEBP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, CASTING A BALLOT FOR REGION 8 CANDIDATE FOR THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MULTISTATE INTERGOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Council approved the City of Gainesville ballot to be cast for Leah Gore to the Board of Trustees of the Texas Municipal League Multistate Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool, as the representative from TML Region 8. Gainesville is a member city of the TML and entitled to vote for Board of Trustee members. The term of office for the position is October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2017.

Councilmember Hendricks **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 E – AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF JOHN DEERE CAB TRACTOR FOR PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2014 JOHN DEERE CAB TRACTOR THROUGH THE HGAC PROGRAM FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

Public Services Department received authorization approval to purchase a 2014 John Deere cab tractor through the Houston Galveston Area Cooperative (HGAC) Program. Public Services Department has funds budgeted in the current year for this purchase. The resolution authorizes purchase of the tractor in the total amount \$57,217.44. The City Manager recommended approval of the purchase. HGAC is a state cooperative purchasing authority that meets all bid requirements for government purchases.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 1351-09-2014 – ESTABLISHING A NO PARKING ZONE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET IN THE 1100 BLOCK OF EAST MAIN STREET BETWEEN SOUTH GRAND AVENUE AND SOUTH MORRIS STREET

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET IN THE 1100 BLOCK OF EAST MAIN STREET, LOCATED BETWEEN SOUTH MORRIS STREET AND SOUTH GRAND AVENUE, AS AN AREA WHERE THE PARKING OF VEHICLES WILL BE PROHIBITED; PROVIDING FOR THE ERECTION OF SIGNS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR SUSPENSION OF THE CHARTER PROVISION REQUIREMENT OF

READING ON THREE SEPARATE OCCASIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND MAKING AN OPEN MEETING FINDING.

Ordinance was approved and adopted designating no parking of vehicles on the North side of the street in the 1100 block of East Main Street, between South Grand Avenue and South Morris Street. Gainesville Police Department recommended the no parking zone for the safety of vehicles and pedestrians in the area, due to increased traffic in the area from additional commercial development. The City will install signage and paint the curb in the area designated as no parking.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to Suspend the Charter requirement of three readings**, seconded by Councilmember Keeler, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to adopt the ordinance**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-02-2014 F – APPROVE STANFORD HOUSE BUDGET FOR FY 2014-2015

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE STANFORD CHARITABLE CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FY 2014-2015 BUDGET FOR THE STANFORD HOUSE.

Council approved action of the Board of Directors of the Stanford Charitable Corporation in adopting their Fiscal Year 2014-2015 budget in the amount of \$86,075 for operation of the Stanford House. City Manager Barry Sullivan presented the proposed Stanford House budget, stating it was prepared and sent to the City in May by Executive Director, Carolyn Castleberry. The Corporation budget receives public assistance funding in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the City's adopted budget. Mayor and Council expressed their regret for the loss of Castleberry, who passed away last week. Castleberry was praised for her excellent work during her tenure as Director of the Stanford House.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to approve the resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:43 p.m. Mayor Goldsworthy announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), to discuss the following:

- Under Government Code §551.071 Attorney-client matters
- Under Government Code §551.072 Real Property

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Council reconvened into open session at 7:44 p.m. and Mayor Goldsworthy announced no action was taken during executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/
Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

/S/
Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor