

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

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

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

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Caitlyn Huddleston, Administrative Assistant; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Arleene Loyd, GEDC Director; Polly Boone, Solid Waste Superintendent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Mounce, Keith King, Mike Hallum, Roland Serna, Steve Orcutt, Rod Tyler, Joe McElreath, Don Mobley, Brenda Mobley, Reagan Woodlock, Jacob Goldsworthy, Judge Jason Brinkley, Officer Marc Stanwyck, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Reverend Hollis Parsons, Tabernacle Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of November 18, 2014, and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 – APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY

Re-appointment of Clyde Yeatts to the Board of Appeals was approved. The re-appointment is to a term of two years expiring in December 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 A – APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Appointment of David Moore to the Gainesville Economic Development Board was approved. The appointment is to a term of two years expiring in August 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 B – APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO THE GAINESVILLE MAIN STREET BOARD

Appointment of Jeromie Oney to the Gainesville Main Street Board was approved. The appointment is to a term of three years expiring December 2017.

Councilmember Keeler moved to approve the Consent Agenda, and seconded by Councilmember Clegg, the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Goldsworthy opened the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m. and called for public comment regarding the proposed traffic direction change from one-way to two-way on I-35 services roads from the BNSF Railway intersection to FM 1202. Roland Serna, Steve Orcutt, and Brenda Mobley came forward to speak against the change. Mr. Serna, Serna's Mexican Cuisine, advised that his business is already suffering and in survival mode due to the Casino taking much of their business, and will not survive if the change is made. He fears that if his restaurant is not as easy to access, potential customers would settle for another choice. Steve Orcutt, Hilltop Conoco, was concerned about the ease of access for trucks that would be servicing his gas station. He also expressed concern for fellow businesses. Mr. Orcutt suggested more signage to help eliminate traffic incidents. Brenda Mobley stated she has lived north of FM 1202 for over 40 years and uses the west side service road to travel into town and back home. She agreed that more signage may help. She also pointed out that there are plenty of accidents and deaths on I-35 where traffic is one-way in each lane. With no further discussion, Councilmember Nichols moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Snuggs, and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:43 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 C – AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO RELEASE CITY LIENS FOR A PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT SHERIFF'S SALE

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS TO RELEASE CITY LIENS FOR A PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT SHERIFF'S SALE

The City Manager was authorized to release City liens against the property located at 1326 Lindsay Street in order for the property to be sold at the next Sheriff's sale. The City holds four liens against the property for demolition of a substandard structure, abating high grass and weeds, and abating trash and debris. With interest and fees, the liens total over twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000.00). The value of the property is approximately twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000.00). The City Manager recommended releasing the liens to facilitate sale of the property and to get it back on the tax roll so that the City does not have to continue to maintain the property.

Councilmember Snuggs moved for approval of the resolution, and was seconded by Councilmember Clegg. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 D – AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES FOR PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2015 AUTOCAR ACX64 CAB & CHASSIS AND ONE (1) 2015 MANTIS 40 CUBIC YARD BODY AUTOMATED FRONT LOADER FOR THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION

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The Solid Waste Division received authorization approval to purchase a 2015 AutoCar ACX64 Cab and Chassis and a 2015 Mantis 40 cu. yd. body automated front loader. The purchase will be made from Solid Waste budgeted funds (\$271,000.00), not from the General Fund or tax dollars. The chassis and packer will be delivered as one unit. City Manager Barry Sullivan praised Polly Boone, Solid Waste Superintendent, for her time spent researching costs and efficiency of different truck manufacturers. Polly is a recent graduate of the Gainesville University program, where she learned about lean processes and focused on cost effectiveness. The new equipment units will be purchased through BuyBoard, which meets legal purchasing requirements. The resolution authorizes purchase of the cab and chassis and front loader in the total amount \$270,722.00.

Councilmember Hendricks moved for **approval of the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Keeler. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-02-2014 E – DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO FUND CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF WATER AND SEWER LINES, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY SECRETARY TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO FUND CONSTRUCTION COSTS OF WATER AND SEWER LINES, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTER PERTAINING THERETO

Resolution was approved directing publication of Notice of Intent to issue Certificates of Obligation, in the maximum principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000. City Manager Sullivan said the funds will be used principally for Phase II of the Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements. Engineering for Phase I of the project is underway and is scheduled to be bid out in January. This project is budgeted in the Five-Year Budget. Debt service for the bonds will be paid by utility rates, not taxes.

Councilmember Keeler moved for **approval of the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Mary Jo Dollar. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor