

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
December 16, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on December 16, 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; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Arleene Loyd, GEDC Director; Officer Jon Frith, Police Patrol Captain.

OTHERS PRESENT: Cathy Mounce, Keith King, Jay Cullpepper, Mike Hallum, Bryan Buchanan, Officer Herschel Kemp III, 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 Jay Cullpepper, Commerce Street Church of Christ, gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of December 2, 2014, and approved them as written.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-16-2014 – APPROVE APPOINTMENT TO THE
GAINESVILLE MAIN STREET BOARD**

Appointment of Cathy Brown and re-appointment of Debra Beaver to the Gainesville Main Street Board was approved. The appointments are to a term of three years expiring in December 2017.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Consent Agenda**, seconded by Councilmember Dollar, the motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-16-2014 A - AWARD BID NO. 2014-05 FOR A LED SIGN IN
LEONARD PARK AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE
CONTRACT**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AWARDDING BID NO. 2014-05 FOR A LED SIGN IN LEONARD PARK AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT

The City Manager was authorized to execute a contract with Eagle Eye Media, LLC for design and construction of a LED Sign in Leonard Park. The City received qualifying bid proposals from Casteel and Associates and Eagle Eye Media, LLC. The City requested that the design mimic the Leonard Park Entrance and the new Gateway at the intersection of I-35 Northbound

and California Street. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy emphasized that the money used for this project is from the Hotel/Motel fund, intended for promotion and tourism enhancements for the City of Gainesville.

After much discussion, the Council decided that Parks Director Patrick McCage, City Manager Barry Sullivan, and Mayor Jim Goldsworthy would need to review the renderings presented by Eagle Eye Media, LLC and make a decision. Councilmember Keeler noted that he liked the idea of using local vendors.

Councilmember Clegg moved for **approval of the resolution**, awarding the contract for design and construction of the sign to Eagle Eye Media, LLC in an amount not to exceed one hundred forty-five thousand dollars (\$145,000.00), and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

TABLED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO TXDOT TO CHANGE TRAFFIC DIRECTION OF I-35 SERVICE ROADS FROM THE BNSF RAILWAY INTERSECTION TO FM 1202 FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY

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Council tabled recommendation to Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to change traffic direction of I-35 service roads from the BNSF Railway Intersection to FM 1202 from two-way to one-way. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy suggested that TXDOT present their ideas for additional signage and other warning signals. City Manager Barry Sullivan added that none of the hearings conducted or public relations efforts made are required by law, that City Council is taking this seriously and is trying to make an informed decision.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to table the resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Clegg and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:11 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 §551.074 Personnel ó City Manager's Evaluation

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Council reconvened into open session at 7:31 p.m. and Mayor Goldsworthy announced no action was taken during executive session.

RESOLUTION NO. 12-16-2014 B - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT OF BARRY SULLIVAN AS CITY MANAGER

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Council voted unanimous approval of a one-year extension of Barry Sullivan's contract as City Manager.

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

Prior to adjourning the meeting, Mayor Jim Goldsworthy recognized City Secretary Kay Lunnon for her dedicated service to the City of Gainesville, thanking her for being "an absolute pleasure to work with and an invaluable employee," and expressed sincere thanks for her hard work that she has given the City. This is Kay's last City Council meeting prior to her scheduled retirement.

Kay Lunnon thanked the Mayor for his compliments, and said "that it has been an honor and privilege to serve the Council."

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor