

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
October 6, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on October 6, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Jo Dollar

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief;

OTHERS PRESENT: Josh Hardie, Tammie Hardie, Nikki King, Cathy Mounce, Mike Todd, Barbara Tucker, Kinzey Dumas, Kristi Rigsby, Kim Cook, Shirley Ward, Tim Pham, Keanna Franklin, Bobby Balthrop, Maria Clinton, John Hambrecht, Cathy Mounce, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Manager Barry Sullivan gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS

Domestic Violence Awareness Month, October 2015

Mayor Goldsworthy read and presented a proclamation for October 2015 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urged local residents to join in activities and programs sponsored by Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center against domestic violence. Kim Cook, Abigail's Arms Executive Director was on hand to receive the proclamation. Mayor Goldsworthy also added that the efforts of Abigail's Arms are appreciated.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Josh Hardie, Hardie Warehouse, 315 W Elm, Gainesville, TX spoke to Council about off-premise signs. He explained that his family opened their store in April 2015 and business was slow. Since then, they placed an A-Frame sign on California Street, with permission from the property owner. The sign was removed by Code Enforcement Officers as it was deemed an off-premise sign. Mr. Hardie asked that Council consider amendments to current code to allow for off-premise signs.

Barbara Tucker, Valley View, TX voiced her support of agenda item number eight involving food trucks at Market Square. She advised that she operated a food truck for two years in Arlington and

other cities. She explained that the City would benefit from fees and satellite income. “Food trucks generate a positive energy. People will come for them.” She added that the trucks must be licensed by the state, are inspected, and usually run by professional restaurateurs. Ms. Tucker also spoke on a recent food truck festival in Denton where over thirty food trucks participated.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of September 15, 2015 and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION 10-06-2015 – APPROVE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Council voted to reappoint Tim Camp and Emmanuel Albarado to the Board of Appeals to terms expiring October 2017. Appointed Eric Erlandson to serve in place of Don Hawkins who resigned from the board. Erlandson’s term will also expire October 2017.

Councilmember Snuggs **moved to approve the Consent Agenda**, seconded by Councilmember Clegg, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Dollar).

ORDINANCE 1374-10-2015 – AMENDING CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2.11 – MARKET SQUARE, GENERALLY.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2.11 – MARKET SQUARE, GENERALLY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FINDING THE MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Council adopted an ordinance amending Market Square rules and regulations. Sections of the previous code were outdated and needed revision to reflect current procedure. The City Manager may create a designee to administer Market Square and to create rules for the square to ensure compliance with this ordinance. Neither poultry nor livestock may be sold at the square. (This is currently against the rules, but was allowed in the previous ordinance.) Food trucks will be allowed to operate at the square. They will be under the same rules as the other vendors – a first come, first serve basis for an assigned booth/parking space. The parking and traffic requirements were removed from the ordinance. The City’s parking ordinance in Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances deals with parking requirements. Street signs and other ordinances deal with traffic flow.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to Suspend the Charter requirement of three readings**, seconded by Councilmember Snuggs, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Dollar).

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

RESOLUTION 10-06-2015 A – ACCEPTING REAL PROPERTY AS REQUESTED BY GAINESVILLE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT DEEDS OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE PROPERTIES AS REQUESTED BY GAINESVILLE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY.

Council voted to authorize the City Manager to accept lots from Habitat for Humanity. Said lots include 307 S Taylor, 407 S Taylor, 830 Beattie Street, 814 Beattie Street, 831 Truelove and 807 Cherry. These were previously given to Habitat for Humanity with plans to build a cul-de-sac. As those plans never came to fruition, Habitat voted to return the lots to the City.

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

RESOLUTION 10-06-2015 B – NTMC TO USE AIRPORT FOR BALLOON SPECTACULAR FESTIVAL EVENT AND TO SELL ALCOHOL AT THE EVENT.

A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE NORTH TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION, INC. FOR USE OF THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, OCTOBER 30 – NOVEMBER 1, 2015 FOR A BALLOON SPECTACULAR FESTIVAL EVENT AND TO SELL ALCOHOL AT THE EVENT.

Council granted permission for the North Texas Medical Center (NTMC) Foundation, Inc. to hold its fourth annual hot air balloon festival event at the Gainesville Municipal Airport, October 30 – November 1, 2015 and to sell alcohol at the event. The Sky’s the Limit Balloon Spectacular will feature traditional balloon activities, musical entertainment, air show, merchandise and food vendors, and children’s activities. A “Champagne and Propane” Ball for sponsors and special guests will be held in one of the airport hangars. The fundraiser benefits the NTMC Foundation.

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

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary

Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor