

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
October 4, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on October 4, 2016 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, Steve Gordon, Tommy Moore

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; Arlene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Director; Karen Dixon, Controller, Dana Herr, Main Street Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Gordon, Officer Thomas Hamilton, Karen Sullivant, Kim Cook, Leslie Nichols, Ginger Johnson, Pat Hunter, Nikki King, Megan Gray-Hatfield, Michael Verhoef, Brandi Bush, Maria Claytor, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation

Proclaiming October 2016 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urging local residents to join in activities and programs sponsored by Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center against domestic violence. The proclamation also encourages all citizens to actively work toward eradicating domestic violence and improving victim safety and to help victims rebuild their lives through education and primary prevention programs for families and the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of September 20, 2016 and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION 10-04-2016 – APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE GAINESVILLE MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE GAINESVILLE MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD.

Council Appointed Jennifer Fuller and Lucy Sutton to the Gainesville Main Street Advisory Board to a term expiring December 2016, and appointed Sherry Brown to a term expiring December 2017. Ms. Sutton will replace the outgoing Morton Museum Director Jayleane Smith who is retiring.

Councilmember Clegg **moved to approve the Consent Agenda**, seconded by Councilmember Keeler, the motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 1398-10-2016 AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE GAINESVILLE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING SECTION 17-20 THAT ESTABLISHES PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR THE GRANTING OF REVOCABLE LEASES FOR SIDEWALK CAFÉS AND PARKLETS IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 17 OF THE GAINESVILLE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING SECTION 17-20 THAT ESTABLISHES PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR THE GRANTING OF REVOCABLE LEASES FOR SIDEWALK CAFÉS AND PARKLETS IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETING FINDING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council adopted an ordinance amending Chapter 17 – Streets and Sidewalks of the Code of Ordinances by adding a section that established procedures and criteria for the granting of revocable leases for sidewalk cafes and parklets in public rights-of-way. This is a pilot program and parklets and sidewalk cafes will only be allowed on Commerce Street between California and Scott streets. Two public hearings, involving the Main Street Advisory Board and Planning and Zoning Commission, have been held and businesses in the proposed area were invited. All but one business owner was in favor of the project. City Manager Barry Sullivan did address the concern that parking would be decreased and explained that earlier this year during scheduled repainting of parking spaces, the City was able to add eighteen spaces on Broadway Street. If every business that could install a parklet did install one, there would still be four more parking places than were previously available.

Councilmember Gordon **moved to Suspend the Charter requirement of three readings**, seconded by Councilmember Clegg, the motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to Adopt the Ordinance**, seconded by Councilmember Dollar, the motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION 10-04-2016 A – APPROVING REVISION OF THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION APPROVING REVISION OF CITY OF GAINESVILLE RATES FEE SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council approved a resolution revising the Community Services and Water fees. An annual lease fee of \$1 per linear foot leased has been added for parklets and sidewalk cafes. This space will be leased by businesses from the City for a one-year term. The City Manager was given the authorization to waive water utility deposits for victims of domestic violence if Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center provides a statement of waiver for other utility deposits.

Councilmember Hendricks **moved to approve the resolution**, seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION 10-04-2016 B – APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GEDC, WHICH VOTED TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 GEDC BUDGET.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (GEDC) OF THE CITY OF

GAINESVILLE, WHICH VOTED TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 GEDC BUDGET.

Council approved actions of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation in adopting their budget for fiscal year 2016-2017. Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg serves as a voting member on the GEDC Board, and that Mayor Goldsworthy and Sullivan serve as Ex-Officio members.

Councilmember Moore **moved to approve the resolution**, seconded by Councilmember Keeler, the 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 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary
Mayor

Jim Goldsworthy,