

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
October 15, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on October 15, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Moore, Carolyn Hendricks, Ken Keeler, Keith Clegg, Steve Gordon

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mary Jo Dollar

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; J. I. Johnson, Finance Director; Arleene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Executive Director; Diana Alcala, City Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Delania Raney, Mike Gordon, Brandon Eberhart, Aubrey Eberhart, Paul Farmer, Dean Smith, Joy Stateson, Tony Dresser (videographer)

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Linda Lewis gave the invocation. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

**RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

**Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation**

Mayor Goldsworthy read and presented a proclamation naming October 2019 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. Karon Sullivant, Linda Lewis, and Leslie Nichols were present to receive the proclamation.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting on October 1, 2019 and approved them as written.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-15-2019 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE RELEASE OF LIENS AGAINST A PROPERTY AT 1216 NORTH HOWETH STREET, GAINESVILLE, TEXAS TO BE SOLD AT SHERIFF'S SALE.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE RELEASE OF LIENS AGAINST A PROPERTY AT 1216 NORTH HOWETH STREET, GAINESVILLE, TEXAS TO BE SOLD AT SHERIFF'S SALE.

Council approved to release unpaid liens on the property at 1216 North Howeth Street, Gainesville, Texas (Lien ID 13-00003) filed against it (April 23, 2009) for demolition costs incurred by the City of Gainesville. This property will be up for sale at the Sheriff's Sale on November 5, 2019. The Cooke County Appraisal District has a current value of \$19,901.00 on this property. The City of Gainesville has been asked to forgive the \$17,321.83 demolition lien to ensure sale of the property.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 1466-10-2019 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH WEAVER STREET AND MEDAL OF HONOR BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AS A ONE-WAY STOP INTERSECTION, TO BE CONTROLLED BY A STOP SIGN; AUTHORIZING THE ERECTION OF A SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION.**

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Council approved the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of South Weaver Street and Medal of Honor Boulevard. This is currently an uncontrolled intersection. A traffic survey was done on the intersection following a traffic complaint regarding Medal of Honor Boulevard. The survey found that the traffic volume does meet the minimum thresholds for stop signs as established by the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Based on the data from the traffic survey, the Police Department believes it to be in the best interest of public safety to designate the intersection of South Weaver Street and Medal of Honor Boulevard as a one-way stop intersection, with a stop sign for eastbound traffic on Medal of Honor Boulevard.

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

Councilmember Keeler **moved to Adopt the Ordinance,** seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Dollar).

**ORDINANCE NO. 1467-10-2019 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH CULBERSON STREET AND MEDAL OF HONOR BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AS A TWO-WAY STOP INTERSECTION, TO BE CONTROLLED BY STOP SIGNS; AUTHORIZING THE ERECTION OF SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION; 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.**

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Council approved the placement of stop signs at the intersection of South Culberson Street and Medal of Honor Boulevard. This is currently controlled by a yield sign for northbound traffic approaching the intersection on South Culberson Street. A traffic survey was done on the intersection following a traffic complaint regarding Medal of Honor Boulevard. The survey found that the traffic volume does meet the minimum thresholds for stop signs as established by the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Based on the data from the traffic survey, the Police Department believes it to be in the best interest of public safety to designate the intersection of South Culberson Street and Medal of Honor Boulevard as a two-way stop intersection, with a stop sign for northbound traffic on South Culberson Street which would replace the current yield sign and a stop sign for westbound traffic on Medal of Honor Boulevard.

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

Councilmember Keeler **moved to Adopt the Ordinance**, seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Dollar).

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-15-2019 A – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS FOR THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, INC.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS FOR THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, INC.

Council approved to amend the Bylaws of the GEDC provide that the City Council may amend the Bylaws at any time. The GEDC Board of Directors has requested that the Bylaws be changed to clarify the difference between Directors and Ex-Officio members as to term limits. Ex-Officio is a non-voting member and serves a two-year term. The Bylaws needed some scrivener's errors corrected. The Registered Office and Registered Agent has been updated.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING ON AN A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE OF NON-OPPOSITION TO HVM BP GAINESVILLE, LLC'S APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR 2019 4% NON-COMPETITIVE HOUSING TAX CREDITS FOR WILLOWICK APARTMENTS.**

PUBLIC HEARING ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE OF NON-OPPOSITION TO HVM BP GAINESVILLE, LLC'S APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR 2019 4% NON-COMPETITIVE HOUSING TAX CREDITS FOR WILLOWICK APARTMENTS.

Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. and called for public comment on the proposed Resolution of non-opposition to HVM BP Gainesville, LLC's application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2019 4% non-competitive housing tax credits for the Willowick Apartments.

Paul Farmer came forward to speak in support of the resolution, explaining the impact of the tax credit from the Federal Government. The Public Hearing closed at 6:41 p.m. The Public Hearing closed at 6:41 p.m.

Councilmember Gordon **moved to close the Public Hearing**, seconded by Councilmember Clegg the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Dollar).

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-15-2019 B - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE OF NON-OPPOSITION TO HVM BP GAINESVILLE, LLC'S APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR 2019 4% NON-COMPETITIVE HOUSING TAX CREDITS FOR WILLOWICK APARTMENTS.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE OF NON-OPPOSITION TO HVM BP GAINESVILLE, LLC'S APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR 2019 4% NON-COMPETITIVE HOUSING TAX CREDITS FOR WILLOWICK APARTMENTS.

Council approved HVM BP Gainesville, LLC's proposed remodel and update the Willowick Apartments located at 1501 Newland Drive in the City of Gainesville. HVM BP Gainesville, LLC has submitted an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2019 4% Non-Competitive Housing Tax Credits for Willowick Apartments. The Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation held a Public Hearing on September 11, 2019, 3:00 pm at the Cooke County Library at 200 South Weaver, Gainesville, Texas.

Councilmember Hendricks **moved to approve the Resolution**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gordon 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,

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**Diana Alcalá, City Secretary  
Mayor**

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**Jim Goldsworthy,**