

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
February 2, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on February 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jim Goldsworthy (virtual attendance), Mayor Pro Tem Tommy Moore, Carolyn Hendricks, Ken Keeler, Brandon Eberhart, Michael Hill, Mary Jo Dollar.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Belvin Harris, City Attorney; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; J.I. Johnson, Finance Director; Diana Alcala, City Secretary.

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Gordon, Sarah Einselen, Kelly Cain, Delania Raney, Aubrey Eberhart, Larry Eberhart, Tony Dresser (videographer).

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Larry Eberhart gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the City Council Meeting on January 19, 2021 and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-02-2021 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS. This Resolution appoints Shelton Medlock and Ray Nichols (previously an ex-officio) to the GEDC Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-02-2021A - A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS. This Resolution appoints Ben Hawkins to represent the development industry and Shane Lee to represent the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction for the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 02-02-2021B - A RESOLUTION REVIEWING AND APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2021.

A RESOLUTION REVIEWING AND APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2021. The City is required by the state and by local code to have an investment policy and to review the policy on an annual basis. This Resolution approves the Investment Policy with no changes from the previous year.

Councilmember Eberhart **moved to approve the Resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-02-2021C- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GAINESVILLE, TEXAS FOR THE PAYMENT TO DEMOLISH THE BUILDING FOUNDATION ON CHURCH'S PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF EAST ELM STREET AND NORTH RUSK STREET IN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GAINESVILLE, TEXAS FOR THE PAYMENT TO DEMOLISH THE BUILDING FOUNDATION ON CHURCH'S PROPERTY.

This agreement allows the City to help the First Baptist Church with the cost to demolish the building foundation on Church's property located at the Northeast corner of East Elm Street and North Rusk Street in the City of Gainesville, Texas.

In return, the Church will allow public parking on the lot) except on Wednesday evenings and Sundays and special church events, which will require 3 days notice to the City.

The City will pay \$17,010 of the cost for demolition of a foundation and construction of a parking lot.

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

DISCUSSION ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THE CITY CONTRACTING WITH KIMLEY-HORN TO COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TA PROGRAM FOR A GRANT TO INSTALL A SIDEWALK FROM GAINESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL TO DOWNTOWN.

The sidewalk plan shows the highest ranking sidewalk being installed from the high school to Culberson. This route calls to place 6' wide sidewalks on both sides of California/HWY 51 for a total cost of \$1,461,337. The priority for the sidewalk is to have it from the high school to California (HWY 51) and then a sidewalk being installed on the east side of California (HWY 51) (same side as Leonard Park) of the road for a total price of \$734,719.

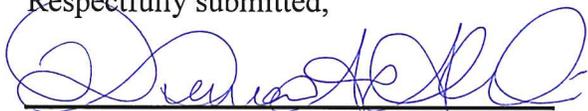
In most cases, this grant has not provided for projects over \$800,000, so the City might have to focus on the priority route instead of the sidewalks on both sides of California. In this case, the City will most likely have to come up with a 20% match (\$147,000) for the project.

Kimley-Horn has provided this service to other cities in the past and is willing to help the City with the preliminary application for \$5,000, which is due March 1, 2021. Discussion was held as to whether or not Council was interested in spending the \$5,000 to apply for the grant. Council unanimously agreed to apply.

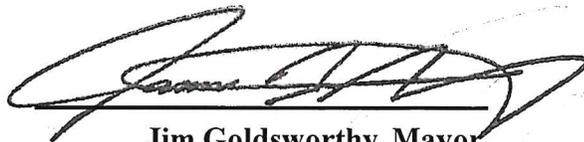
ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diana Alcala, City Secretary



Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor



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