

MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
January 19, 2016

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on January 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

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

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Dan Parker, Finance Director, Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; Arlene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT: Nikki King, Tommy Moore, Boyd London, Dan Culver, Mark Linnell, David Heller, Ross Pilcher, Jeremy Stephenson, Michael Allison, Judy King, Dennis King, 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.

RECOGNITIONS

Presentation of Star of North Texas Award

Judy King was presented a Star of North Texas Award for her care and consideration of the Gainesville Fire-Rescue employees at Fire Station 2. Mrs. King has provided breakfast for the station every week for the last three years at her own expense, and has even made sure that food would be available when she is out of town. Mrs. King said “it was an honor to do something so small for the real heroes, the Gainesville Fire-Rescue firefighters.” Fire Department employees nominated Mrs. King for the award. The Star of North Texas medallion is an antique gold plated coin engraved with the City of Gainesville logo and “Star of North Texas, Gainesville, Texas” on the obverse, and with the maxims “Placing Community First”, “Enhancing the Lives of our Neighbors and Our Community” on the reverse. Mayor Goldsworthy previously said he wanted a way to show his and the City’s appreciation for unselfish acts and volunteerism he sees in the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of January 5, 2016 and approved them as written.

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

ORDINANCE 1382-01-2016 – CONSIDERING ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2016, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

FIRST READING, INTRODUCTION, AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING AND IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2016; LEVYING AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS; APPROVING AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND AN ENGAGEMENT LETTER OF BOND COUNSEL; CALLING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS FOR REDEMPTION PRIOR TO MATURITY; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

Council adopted an ordinance approving a bond for a total of \$9.25 million for two purposes. First, the bond provides \$5 million for street improvements. This is the second bond sold based on voter support in the May 2014 election. Second, the remaining bond funds provide for refinancing a portion of the 2007 General Obligation bonds. The refunding is anticipated to save the City nearly \$570,000 over the next ten years. Boyd London, First Southwest Company, said the City received a bond rating from Standard and Poors (S & P) and Moody's Investor Service of AA-/Aa3.

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

Councilmember Nichols **moved to adopt the ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Gainesville, Texas General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2016 and enacting other provisions related thereto.** This motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

RESOLUTION 01-19-2016 – REVIEWING AND APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2016.

Council reviewed and approved the City's Investment Policy for the current Fiscal Year 2015-2016. The policy was approved with minor changes to the Standards of Care, Section C. Delegation of Authority portion from the previous year's policy, specifically to lower the amount of training hours required for the investment officer per state law. 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, approving any changes or modifications.

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

RESOLUTION 01-19-2016 A – AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO THE CONTRACT WITH GRACON CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PHASE I IMPROVEMENTS.

Council authorized the second change order to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase I Improvements project to allow the contractor to complete the new sewer line all the way to the headworks/screen of the plant, originally planned to be constructed in Phase Two of the project. This new section of sewer line will cost \$220,000. However, this is not an added cost to the overall improvements at the wastewater treatment plant; it simply moves the work from Phase Two to Phase One. City Manager Barry Sullivan advised that engineers confirmed the cost as fair

and added that having the same company will be completing all the work on the line will reduce any confusion or finger-pointing in the future.

Councilmember Snuggs **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.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary
Mayor

Jim Goldsworthy,