

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
March 21, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on March 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

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

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, Chief of Police; Wally Cox, Fire Chief; Arleene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Director.

OTHERS PRESENT: Alan Bryan, Shannon Jeffcoat, Mike Gordon, Nikki King, Office Chris Jones, Lindsay Bacchus, Paul Bacchus, Judy Smith, Jerry Jones, Mike Todd, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Jerry Jones, Whaley United Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Employee of the Month, March 2017

Paul Bacchus of the Fire Department was named March 2017 Employee of the Month. Paul was recognized for his dedication to the Fire Department, City of Gainesville, and citizens. Paul is an exceptionally team-oriented employee. While off-duty, Paul took the initiative to assist his fellow employee in the preparation of an upcoming exam. Paul demonstrated the act of caring and assisting your fellow employee. Paul exhibits a strong desire of helping others and how we all should treat one another. He is a valuable asset to the City. Paul is also a driving force with the medical program and helps with various educational programs within the school system. He is a part of the swift water and high angle rescue teams. Paul is dedicated in all facets of his job and he continues to strive to represent the City in a professional manner. City Manager Barry Sullivan read and presented the recognition certificate to Bacchus along with a certificate for an additional one day of vacation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the City Council Workshop Session of March 7, 2017 and regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of March 7, 2017 and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 – MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE GAINESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD.

Council reappointed Doug Wade, Robbie Baugh, Chance Huddleston, and Angel Madrid to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Their terms will expire March 2019.

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

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 A – ACCEPTING THE AUDIT, FINANCIAL STATEMENT, AND OPINION FOR FISCAL YEAR END SEPTEMBER 30, 2016.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AUDIT, FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND OPINION FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, AS PREPARED BY SCHALK & SMITH, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY SECRETARY TO FILE THE AUDIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SUBTITLE A, CHAPTER 103.

Council voted to accept the annual audit for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2016, as prepared by the accounting firm of Schalk & Smith, Certified Public Accountants, which provided an unqualified opinion on the financial statements. An “unqualified opinion” is the highest level opinion that can be provided by an auditor. Judy Smith highlighted several sections of the audit and commended City Controller Karen Dixon for her work on reconciling fixed assets. Smith also noted that the actual excess revenue transfer was \$1,741,000, as a result of departments not spending their entire budgets and higher than budgeted sales and property tax revenues.

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

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 B – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH TXDOT FOR AN ON-SYSTEM CATEGORY 1 HAZARD ELIMINATION/SAFETY PROJECT.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH TXDOT FOR AN ON-SYSTEM CATEGORY 1 HAZARD ELIMINATION/SAFETY PROJECT.

Council approved a resolution that authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to install a traffic signal at US Hwy 82 and Refinery Road. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$140,000 total, of which the City will be responsible for up to \$70,000. City Manager Barry Sullivan noted that the project will have a net zero impact on the City’s budget, as QuickTrip Corporation will be reimbursing the city for their portion of the construction costs (see Resolution 03-21-2017 C.) Sullivan also explained that the process is quicker if TXDOT makes the agreement with a municipal entity, rather than a private company.

Mayor Goldsworthy went on to explain that previous development at the intersection did not call for a traffic signal, but since new development is expected, the need exists. He also complimented TXDOT for being easy to work with and accommodating.

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).

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 C – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR A TRAFFIC LIGHT WITH QUICKTRIP CORPORATION.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR A TRAFFIC LIGHT WITH QUICKTRIP CORPORATION.

Council approved a resolution that authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement with the QuickTrip Corporation (QT) to reimburse the City of Gainesville for construction costs, not to exceed \$70,000, associated with the installation of a traffic signal at US Hwy 82 and Refinery Road, as approved in Resolution 03-21-2017 B. City Manager Barry Sullivan noted that the project will have a net zero impact on the City's budget.

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

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 D – REGARDING THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AT THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT BY THE GAINESVILLE FLYERS CLUB ON APRIL 22, 2017.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AT THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT LOCATED AT 2350 AIRPORT DR. BY THE GAINESVILLE FLYERS CLUB DURING THEIR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER EVENT ON APRIL 22, 2017.

Council approved the Gainesville Flyers Club request to serve and consume alcohol at the Gainesville Municipal Airport during their annual fundraiser event. Gainesville Flyers Club is holding their fourth annual Crawfish Boil Fundraiser event at the Multi-Use Hangar (MUH) on Saturday, April 22, 2017. The area is to be supervised by event staff. The Airport Board recommended approval. All proceeds of the event are to benefit the Gainesville Flyers, a non-profit organization.

Councilmember Hendricks **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).

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 E – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TXDOT FOR A NON-PRIMARY ENTITLEMENT GRANT FOR TAXIWAY B PAVEMENT REMOVAL – WATER/SEWER LINE INSTALLATION, PROVIDING FOR MATCHING FUNDS UP TO \$42,000 FROM THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FUND.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A NON-PRIMARY ENTITLEMENT GRANT FOR TAXIWAY B PAVEMENT REMOVAL – WATER/SEWER LINE INSTALLATION, PROVIDING FOR THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE MATCHING FUNDS UP TO \$42,000 FROM THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FUND.

The City Manager was authorized and approved to enter into an airport participation grant agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to remove pavement on Taxiway B and install water/sewer lines. These two projects will be funded through a 90/10 Non-Primary Entitlement (NPE) grant with TXDOT-Aero. The airport will utilize funds from the recent sale of 20 acres to the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation for its 10% matching responsibility. Ultimately, \$42,000 from the City will result in \$420,000 from TXDOT.

Taxiway B was originally a 100' wide runway and has been used as a taxiway for many years. However, taxiways are commonly 35' wide and, therefore, Taxiway B has been maintained to that specification. The unused 65' of non-maintained runway is and has been deteriorating at a fast rate. The pebbles from this area wash onto the 'good' pavement and create debris that is harmful to aircraft engines and propellers. This project will remove the excess pavement and replace it with topsoil and grasses thereby greatly reducing any further pavement maintenance and hazards to aircraft. Additionally, this grant will fund utility development for the south side of the airport for future hangar development. City Manager Sullivan explained that more hangars offer more space

for storage of aircraft, which will mean more fuel sales. He also noted that the Airport is a proprietary fund and pays for itself. More fuel sales would provide a continuous revenue stream so that the Airport can continue to support itself and the burden does not fall to the taxpayers.

City Staff and the Gainesville Municipal Airport Advisory Board recommend funding these two projects as it will decrease the airport's liability and maintenance cost while increasing the airports' infrastructure, land lease income, and fuel sales.

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

RESOLUTION 03-21-2017 F – AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 FOR SUMP PACKAGE H PROJECT.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 TO THE CONTRACT WITH LYNN VESSELS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SUMP BOND BID PACKAGE H PROJECT.

Council voted to authorize change order number three to the bid awarded to Lynn Vessels Construction LLC for the SUMP Package H project for a cost of \$238,124.38. It will add storm drainage along Broadway between Denton and Rusk Streets in the amount of \$219,387, as well as pave a portion of City Right-of-Way along I-35 to allow Rumpy's an additional access point off of I-35 for a cost of \$18,737. The land used for the access point was dedicated to the City in the 1960's to be used as a street; the street was never developed, nor abandoned. Funding for the project will come from the City of Gainesville Stormwater Fund and Project Funds.

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).

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary

Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor