

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
October 3, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on October 3, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

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

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; Dan Parker, Finance Director;

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Nikki King, Diane Rigler, Craig Evins, Serena Evins, Valeria West, Kim Cook, Tom Reynolds, Mike Gordon, Megan Gray-Hatfield, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Jim Goldsworthy gave the invocation and led the pledge to the flag. Mayor Goldsworthy prayed specifically for the recent victims of the shooting in Las Vegas on October 1, 2017.

**PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS**

**Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation**

Mayor Goldsworthy read and presented a proclamation naming October 2017 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. Kim Cook, Abigail's Arms Executive Director, accepted the proclamation. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked Ms. Cook and the volunteers for all their hard work.

**REPORTS**

**I-35 LED Light Project Presentation**

Craig Evins, Streets Supervisor, gave a report on the recent I-35 LED Light Project. Evins was part of a Lean Sigma team that coordinated the changing of 132 High Pressure Sodium light fixtures to LED lamps along the I-35 corridor. The City of Gainesville is responsible for maintaining the light system. The Texas Department of Transportation provided the LED lamps to the City, a value of \$66,000. The maintenance cost and electric usage savings to the City by installing the LED lamps is estimated to be \$74,000 over a ten year period, less the cost of installation of \$21,768, bringing the cost benefit total to \$52,232 over ten years.

Ken Keeler commended the group for improving our infrastructure and saving money at the same time. Mayor Goldsworthy further complemented all Lean Sigma projects for making the most efficient use of taxpayer money.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council of September 19, 2017 and approved them as written.

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

**RESOLUTION 10-03-2017 – NOMINATING CANDIDATE(S) FOR THE COOKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION NOMINATING CANDIDATE(S) FOR THE COOKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Council nominated Jason Snuggs as the City’s candidate for the Board of Directors of the Cooke County Appraisal District (CCAD). Snuggs currently serves on the board. Nominees will be voted on by all taxing units in Cooke County in early December, from which five CCAD board members will be elected to serve a two-year term beginning January 1, 2018.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1219-12-2008; TO REZONE SINGLE FAMILY TWO DISTRICT (SF-2) TO RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL (C-1) THREE PARCELS ADDRESSED AS 1207 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 4670), 1200 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8800), AND 1122 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8119).**

PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1219-12-2008; THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, TO REZONE FROM SINGLE FAMILY TWO DISTRICT (SF-2) TO RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL (C-1) THREE PARCELS ADDRESSED AS 1207 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 4670), 1200 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8800), AND 1122 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8119); PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE.

Council held a public hearing on the proposed ordinance to rezone 1207 S Grand Ave, 1200 S Grand Ave, and 1122 S Grand Ave from Single Family Two District (SF-2) to Restricted Commercial (C-1). Mayor opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. and called for public comment.

Diane Rigler, 1212 Hillcrest Boulevard, owner of Calla Lily Garden Center, spoke in support of the rezoning, but requested confirmation that outdoor sales were permitted and that “nothing else would be thrown at her.” Ms. Rigler also commented on the amount of time it took for the zoning issue to be resolved. Mayor Goldsworthy responded that he did not anticipate any issues.

No one else came forward to speak in support or opposition.

Councilmember Hendricks moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilmember Clegg, the motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent. The public hearing was closed at 6:42 p.m.

**ORDINANCE 1419-10-2017 – AMENDING ORDINANCE 1219-12-2008; THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, TO REZONE FROM SINGLE FAMILY TWO DISTRICT (SF-2) TO RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL (C-1) THREE PARCELS ADDRESSED AS 1207 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 4670), 1200 S GRAND**

**AVENUE (PID 8800), AND 1122 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8119); PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1219-12-2008; THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, TO REZONE FROM SINGLE FAMILY TWO DISTRICT (SF-2) TO RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL (C-1) THREE PARCELS ADDRESSED AS 1207 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 4670), 1200 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8800), AND 1122 S GRAND AVENUE (PID 8119); PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE.

Council adopted an ordinance rezoning an area at the intersection of South Grand and Moss Street from Single-Family Two (SF-2) to Restricted Commercial (C-1). The area includes a retail nursery, gas station, and a storage facility. Because of careful consideration and changes to uses allowed in each zoning district, the nursery and convenience storage are now both legal uses by right, and the sale of gas, auto repair, and storage facility would remain grandfathered. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked Julie Smith, Community Services Director, her staff, and the Planning and Zoning Commission for their diligence in reviewing the allowed uses.

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

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

**RESOLUTION 10-03-2017 A – APPROVING A VARIANCE RELATED TO THE MINIMUM LOT WIDTH IN THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT FOR A PLAT OF THE HENDRICKSON SUBDIVISION, LOTS 1 AND 2, AND LOCATED AT 3358 NORTH GRAND AVENUE, 2.39 ACRES IN THE M. MCCALL SURVEY, ABSTRACT 703.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION APPROVING A VARIANCE RELATED TO THE MINIMUM LOT WIDTH IN THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT FOR A PLAT OF THE HENDRICKSON SUBDIVISION, LOTS 1 AND 2, AND LOCATED AT 3358 NORTH GRAND AVENUE, 2.39 ACRES IN THE M. MCCALL SURVEY, ABSTRACT 703.

Council approved a variance with respect to lot width for one of the lots at 3358 North Grand Ave. The owner is proposing to divide the property; however, because of the unusual shape of the tract, it is impossible to subdivide the land and meet the width requirements. Staff believes the request for variance to be reasonable, as the property couldn't be developed without it.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the resolution**, seconded by Councilmember Dollar, 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,

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**Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary**

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**Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor**