

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
December 19, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on December 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mayor Jim Goldsworthy

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mike Gordon, Karen Estes, Craig Hughes, Susan Kleven, Amanda Arnold, Katie Krantz, Robin Rose, Frank Mahnich, Mark Brazelton, Megan Gray-Hatfield, Amanda Neeley, Steve Sprouse, Brenda Sprouse, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City Manager Barry Sullivan gave the invocation. Mayor pro Tem Keith Clegg led the pledge to the flag.

**RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

**Star of North Texas Award, Karen Estes**

Presented Karen Estes with a Star of North Texas Award certificate and coin for her participation in community events and organizations. Karen has served on the Frank Buck Zoological Society, Medal of Honor Host City Board of Directors, with Kiwanis, and other organizations. Karen was recognized for her “spirit and volunteerism that enhances the lives of our neighbors and our community.”

**Employee of the Month, December 2017**

Steven Sprouse, Custodian of the Steven K. Fleming Public Safety Facility, was awarded December 2017 Employee of the Month in recognition and appreciation for his hard work and assistance to co-workers. During a current remodel of the Public Safety Facility, Steven went above and beyond his duties to help the department breakdown all furniture and paint offices before carpet was installed. Steven’s dedication to his job and co-workers is a great example of excellent internal customer service. City Manager Barry Sullivan read and presented the recognition certificate to Sprouse along with a certificate for an additional one day of vacation.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regularly scheduled City Council of December 5, 2017 and approved them as written.

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

**RESOLUTION 12-19-2017 – CANCELLING THE JANUARY 2, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION CANCELLING THE JANUARY 2, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Council voted to cancel the upcoming January 2, 2018 regular City Council Meeting. City Manager Barry Sullivan explained that people are still normally out for the holiday and no items require immediate action.

Councilmember Hendricks **moved to approve the resolution**, seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Goldsworthy).

**FIRST READING CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO APPROVE THE SALE OF TEN (10) ACRES TO GAF FOR BUSINESS EXPANSION.**

FIRST READING CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO APPROVE THE SALE OF TEN (10) ACRES TO GAF FOR BUSINESS EXPANSION.

Council considered first reading of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) approval of the sale of ten acres to GAF as an economic development project in consideration for GAF expansion of business operations. GEDC Director Arleene Loyd explained this will be GAF's third expansion in Gainesville and that the land is located next to the Industrial Park.

Per state law, Council takes no action on first reading. Second reading will be held January 16, 2018.

**RESOLUTION 12-19-2017 A – AWARDING BID NO. 2017-08 FOR BODY CAM SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH UTILITY ASSOCIATES, INC.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH UTILITY ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE MOBILE VIDEO RECORDING EQUIPMENT, BODY WORN CAMERAS, AND A CLOUD-BASED DIGITAL EVIDENCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE GAINESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Council awarded Bid No. 2017-08 for mobile video recording equipment, body worn cameras, and a cloud-based digital evidence management system to Utility Associates, Inc. Police Chief Kevin Phillips reported the Gainesville Police Department has experienced issues with the current body worn camera provider resulting in a system that is unreliable. The system from Utility Associates provides numerous features, such as automated triggers for the body worn cameras not available through the current vendor, such as gunshot detection and officer down alerts. Five submissions were received and the Gainesville PD conducted field testing and asked for input from the County and District level attorneys. The resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a five-year contract with Utility Associates for the services.

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

Prior to adjourning to executive session, Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg recognized Finance Director Dan Parker's upcoming retirement. Parker attended his final council meeting while employed with the City of Gainesville. Parker worked for the City of Gainesville for twenty years.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:45 p.m. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), to discuss the following:

Under Government Code §551.074 Personnel – City Manager's Evaluation  
Under Government Code §551.087 Economic Development

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

Council reconvened into open session at 7:32 p.m. and Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg announced no action was taken during executive session.

**RESOLUTION 12-19-2017 B – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT OF BARRY SULLIVAN AS CITY MANAGER.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT OF BARRY SULLIVAN AS CITY MANAGER.

Council voted unanimous approval of a contract extension of Barry Sullivan's contract as City Manager. Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg thanked Sullivan for his service and called him the "best City Manager in the State of Texas."

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the resolution**, seconded by Councilmember Gordon, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Goldsworthy).

**ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary**

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**Keith Clegg, Mayor Pro Tem**