

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
January 16, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on January 16, 2018 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, Tommy Moore

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Gordon

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; Karen Dixon, Interim Finance Director; Arleene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Gordon, Taylor Wallace, Stephen Wallace, Megan Gray-Hatfield, Nikki King, Virginia Rhodes, Vicky Hestand, Mitch Felderhoff, Jason James, Boyd London, Jeffrey Serna, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Manager Barry Sullivan gave the invocation. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Employee of the Month, January 2018

Taylor Wallace, Administrative Assistant for the Civic Center and Parks and Recreation Department, was awarded January 2018 Employee of the Month in recognition and appreciation for her hard work and assistance to co-workers. Recently, Taylor went above and beyond to assist the Human Resources Department in the planning and set up for two big events. Taylor met with the caterer and others to make the events successful. Taylor's excellent customer service is a great example of the customer-focused workplace the City of Gainesville strives to be. City Manager Barry Sullivan read and presented the recognition certificate to Wallace 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 19, 2017 and approved them as written.

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

RESOLUTION 01-16-2018 – APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO APPROVE THE SALE OF TEN (10) ACRES TO GAF FOR BUSINESS EXPANSION.

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

Council approved actions of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) to sale ten acres to GAF for business expansion. The land will be sold at around \$10,000 per acre. Mayor Goldsworthy commented that this was a great project and that GAF was a great company.

First reading consideration of the resolution was held at the December 19, 2017 council meeting.

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

FIRST READING OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO APPROVE MUENSTER MILLING AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

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Council considered the actions of the GEDC to approve Muenster Milling (“Red River Pet Food, LLC”) as economic development project at the Gateway Industrial Park. Mitch Felderhoff spoke on behalf of Red River Pet Food, a fourth generation company, to advise council that the proposed business in Gainesville would focus on pet food to meet a higher demand, while their current plant in Muenster would center on equine and livestock feed. Felderhoff commented on their desire to invest heavily in Gainesville with “abundant, high-paying jobs.”

Arleene Loyd, GEDC Director, introduced Mitch and advised that the GEDC had previously tried to recruit red River Pet Food, lost them, and now has the opportunity again.

(Per state law, council takes no action on first reading. Second reading will be held February 6, 2018.)

RESOLUTION 01-16-2018 A – REVIEWING AND APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2018.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION REVIEWING AND APPROVING THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2018.

Council approved the Investment Policy for 2018. The policy was approved with no changes from the previous year’s policy. 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. The policy will be available on the City’s website.

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

RESOLUTION 01-16-2018 B – AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE TO FREIGHTLINER OF AUSTIN FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2017 VACTOR TRUCK.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE TO FREIGHTLINER OF AUSTIN FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2017 VACTOR TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

Council approved the purchase of a Vactor Truck for the Public Services Department. This truck is used to dig sewer lines. The truck currently in use will be kept as a backup. This is a budgeted purchase.

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

ORDINANCE 1422-01-2018 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2018; LEVYING AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID CERTIFICATES; ENGAGING BOND COUNSEL; APPROVING A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT AND AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2018; LEVYING AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID CERTIFICATES; ENGAGING BOND COUNSEL; APPROVING A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT AND AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

Council adopted an Ordinance approving the sale of \$7,390,000 Million Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation Bonds with an interest rate of 2.92216%. Boyd London, Hilltop Securities, said the City received a bond rating from Standard and Poors (S & P) and Moody’s Investor Service of AA-/Aa3. He commended the City and said that everything they could control and do, they were doing right.

These funds are intended for a new fire station, new transfer station, and street and utility maintenance projects.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to Suspend the Charter requirement of three readings**, seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Gordon).

Councilmember Moore **moved to Adopt the Ordinance, authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Gainesville, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2018 and approving all matters incident thereto**, seconded by Councilmember Keeler, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Gordon).

RESOLUTION 01-16-2018 C – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PNC EQUIPMENT FINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING A PIERCE ENFORCER AERIAL LADDER FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PNC EQUIPMENT FINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING A PIERCE ENFORCER AERIAL LADDER FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Council approved the lease-purchase of a new Pierce Enforcer Aerial Ladder for the Fire Department. City Manager Barry Sullivan explained this truck will function as a ladder and pump truck. This was a budgeted purchase, and the cost will be \$25,000 cheaper than budgeted.

Because the truck must be configured to meet Gainesville Fire Rescue specifications, the truck will not be ready for about a year.

Mayor Pro Tem Keith Clegg added that there is a Pierce brand service facility in Denton, a consideration taken into account by the Fire Department when selecting a vendor.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:44 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 §551.087 Economic Development

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Council reconvened into open session at 6:53 p.m. and Mayor Jim Goldsworthy announced no action was taken during executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary

Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor