

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
EULESS CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2011**

A regular meeting of the Euless City Council was called to order by Mayor Mary Lib Saleh at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2011, in the Precouncil Conference Room of City Hall, 201 North Ector Drive. Those present included Mayor Mary Lib Saleh, Mayor Pro Tem Linda Martin, Council Members Leon Hogg, Donna Mickan, and Perry Bynum. Council Member Glenn Porterfield was on a leave of absence due to knee surgery, and Council Member Tim Stinneford was out of town attending the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Conference.

During the Precouncil meeting:

- Mayor Pro Tem Martin reported that she attended the Public Works Rodeo hosted by the City of Colleyville on Friday, May 20, 2011.
- Council Member Donna Mickan reported that she attended the ribbon cutting for St. Luke's Pharmacy, 350 Westpark Way, May 19, 2011.
- City Secretary Susan Crim provided an update regarding the status of legislation affecting local elections.
- Deputy City Manager Loretta Getchell reminded the City Council that City Manager Gary McKamie and Council Member Tim Stinneford were attending the International Conference of Shopping Centers Conference, and Council Member Glenn Porterfield was also absent due to a recent knee surgery. She advised that Council Member Porterfield expressed his appreciation for the cards and letters.
- Deputy City Manager Getchell provided an update related to the street light outages on Harrington Gardens Parkway, and stated that the lights were out of service due to the infrastructure construction at the Glade Parks development.
- Assistant City Manager Chris Barker reported that the Municipal Court's Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system went live and experienced heavy usage in the first week with a call volume of approximately 450 users.
- 6 Stones' Directors of Community Revitalization Wes and Dianne Higdon presented a report to the City Council regarding the CPR event held April 8 and 9, 2011, and shared before and after photographs of a few of the projects completed over the two-day event. Additionally, Wes Higdon announced that a golf tournament will be held at Texas Star on June 7, 2011, and will benefit the CPR efforts.
- Fire Chief Wes Rhodes presented a picture of a September 11th artifact, and advised that the artifact is a 12 foot long steel beam from the World Trade Center and will be an integral part of a 911 memorial in Euless. Mayor Saleh expressed her desire to have the memorial complete by the 10th Anniversary of 911 – September 11, 2011. Council Member Perry Bynum requested a preliminary budget for the project be presented to the Council Members.

- Director of Public Works and Engineering Ron Young advised that, with the road construction in the Grapevine Elementary School attendance zone, the City feels it is prudent to provide safe transportation for the students who normally walk to the school. An Interlocal Agreement with the Grapevine Colleyville ISD will be presented to the City Council at the June 14, 2011, meeting for consideration of providing bus services during the construction period (August 2011 to January 2012).
- Assistant City Manager Barker addressed the City Council regarding the status of the Gas Well Drill Site Permit Application submitted by Chesapeake Energy to be located at the 2500 Block of South Pipeline Road. He stated that the item will be presented to the City Council for consideration at the June 14, 2011, regular meeting as the applicant was not able to obtain the necessary waivers to receive an administrative approval.
- Assistant City Manager Barker updated the City Council on the status of the monument sign located on Ector Drive adjacent to the LaQuinta and Plaza Suites Hotels. He stated that the applicant has applied for a sign permit and the sign will advertise the LaQuinta Suites as opposed to the Plaza Suites.
- Police Captain Gary Landers presented the code update which included the signage at Adam's Automotive and an update on the rollout of the crime prevention ordinance inspections.
- Assistant City Manager Barker addressed the City Council regarding the cell tower located at 4215 W. Pipeline Road. He stated that another carrier is interested in co-locating at the tower site; however, the existing tower will not accommodate two carriers and will need to be reconstructed. He stated that the City's goal is to have a more aesthetic appealing tower.
- Assistant Director of Finance Jackie Theriot presented the financial update for the period ending April 30, 2011.
- Director of Public Works and Engineering Ron Young provided updates related to the Baze Road, Ash Lane and Rio Grande Boulevard street construction projects, and advised that the wastewater project is under design.
- Fleet and Facilities Administrator Kyle McAdams updated the City Council on the reconstruction of the pavilion at the Texas Star Golf Course and Conference Centre.
- Deputy City Manager Getchell advised the City Council of a failure of the back wall on hole #9 at the golf course.
- Deputy City Manager Getchell advised the City Council that staff met with TXDOT regarding TXDOT's decision to allow the North Tarrant Express (NTE) contractor to utilize asphalt as the overlay material for the lanes and frontage roads along the North Tarrant Express reconstruction project. Staff advised TXDOT of the City's expectation that impacted city streets be reconstructed with concrete materials if currently concrete.

- Deputy City Manager Getchell reviewed the regular agenda items.

During the discussion of Item No. 2, Resolution No. 11-1163, amending the Master Thoroughfare Plan, Council Member Hogg expressed his concern with the proposed lane widths as well as the lack of a continuous turn lane. Staff agreed to withdraw consideration of the Resolution amending the Master Thoroughfare Plan for further research and evaluation.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened into closed session at 6:20 p.m. for deliberation regarding the following:

- Real property as authorized by Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code related to:
 - o Lease of City property South Pipeline Road

The City Council reconvened into open session at 6:46 p.m.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF SCHEDULED ITEMS – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Euless City Council continued their meeting in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. for consideration of scheduled items.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Deputy City Manager Loretta Getchell
Assistant City Manager Chris Barker
City Attorney Wayne K. Olson
City Secretary Susan Crim
Deputy City Secretary Kim Sutter
Police Chief Mike Brown
Director of Parks and Community Services Ray McDonald
Fire Chief Wes Rhodes
Director of Public Works and Engineering Ron Young
Marketing/Communications Manager Betsy Deck
Texas Star General Manager Glenda Hartsell-Shelton
Police Captain Gary Landers
Library Administrator Kate Lyon
Human Resources/Risk Administrator Carolyn Marshall
Fleet and Facility Administrator Kyle McAdams
Information Services Administrator Dan McLain
Senior Planner Stephen Cook
Computer Support Specialist II Jake Dilliplane
Public Works Foreman Herby Joseph
Public Works Equipment Operator Juan Reyes

VISITORS

Darl Easton
Iris Elliott

Blanca Reyes
Cynthia Reyes

Juan Carlos Reyes, Jr.
Josue Reyes

And others as noted in the visitor register.

INVOCATION

Mayor Mary Lib Saleh gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Perry Bynum led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM NO. 1. PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR JUNE

Director of Public Works and Engineering Ron Young introduced Equipment Operator Juan Reyes. Juan was accompanied by his wife, Blanca, daughter, Cynthia, and sons, Juan Carlos, Jr. and Josue.

Mayor Saleh presented Juan with a plaque and certificate commemorating his selection as employee of the month for June 2011.

ITEM NO. 2. RESOLUTION NO. 11-1363 WITHDRAWN

Mayor Saleh announced that Resolution No. 11-1363, amending the City of Euless Master Thoroughfare Plan, is being withdrawn from consideration pending further evaluation of the addition of a continuous turn lane.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 3 through 7)

Mayor Pro Tem Martin motioned to approve Consent Agenda items number 3 through 7.

Council Member Hogg seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Saleh, Mayor Pro Tem Martin, Council Members Hogg, Mickan, and Bynum

Nays: None

Mayor Saleh declared the motion carried.

ITEM NO. 3. APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 11-1364

Approved Resolution No. 11-1364 renewing the Joint Administrative Agreement between the City of Euless and Tarrant County for administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for the three program year period, Fiscal Year 2012 through 2014.

ITEM NO. 4. APPROVED RESOLUTION NO. 11-1365

Approved Resolution No. 11-1365 renewing the Joint Grant Agreement between the City of Euless and Tarrant County for administration of the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program for a three program year period, Fiscal Year 2012 through 2014.

ITEM NO. 5. APPROVED RATIFYING A NEGOTIATED CHANGE ORDER TO THE RECLAIMED WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH CIRCLE C CONSTRUCTION

Approved ratifying a negotiated change order to the Reclaimed Water Main Construction contract with Circle C Construction for the construction of a reclaimed water line from the point at which Fort Worth's line terminates north along Bear Creek Parkway, to the existing holding pond north of East Midway Drive and east of Bear Creek Parkway.

The estimated expenditure is \$278,425.

ITEM NO. 6. AUTHORIZED THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ALAN PLUMMER ASSOCIATES, INC.

Authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Alan Plummer Associates, Inc. for the engineering design work necessary to facilitate the extension of the Reclaimed Water System along Bear Creek Parkway from the city limits northward to the northeast corner of Bear Creek Parkway and Midway Drive, and for regulatory consulting and support, and for the development of policies and procedures relating to the further extension of the Reclaimed Water System.

The estimated expenditure is \$100,000.

ITEM NO. 7. APPROVED CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Approved City Council minutes of regular meeting of May 10, 2011.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM NO. 8. APPROVED FIRST AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1910

Assistant City Manager Chris Barker stated that Ordinance No. 1910 is a result of a rate negotiation, and the monthly bill impact to the average residential customer is a \$2.35 increase.

Council Member Hogg motioned to approve the first and final of Ordinance No. 1910, approving a negotiated resolution between the Steering Committee of Cities served by Oncor and Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC., regarding Oncor's application to increase electric rates in all cities exercising original jurisdiction.

Council Member Mickan seconded the motion.

Ayes: Mayor Saleh, Mayor Pro Tem Martin, Council Members Hogg, Mickan, and Bynum

Nays: None

Mayor Saleh declared the motion carried.

ITEM NO. 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Darl Easton, 1005 Fayette Drive, Euless, stated his opposition to the permit requirement for the installation of windows, water heaters, and fences at private residences, and requested uniformity in the enforcement of the City’s sign ordinance related to political signs on city property during the early voting period and election day. Additionally, he stated that he was pleased to hear that the addition of a sidewalk on Harwood Road between Fayette Drive and Ector Drive would be evaluated in the upcoming year.

ITEM NO. 10. REPORTS

Texas Star General Manager Glenda Hartsell-Shelton presented a report on the facilities at the Texas Star Golf Course and Conference Centre, including the amenities of the facility and the many different types of events that have been held at the facility.

City Attorney

No report given.

City Manager

No report given.

City Council

No reports given.

ITEM NO. 11. ADJOURN

Mayor Saleh adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mary Lib Saleh
Mayor

Susan Crim, TRMC
City Secretary