



Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

11:30 AM

Council Chambers

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A. Mayor Nelda Martinez to call the meeting to order.

Mayor Martinez called the meeting to order.

B. Invocation to be given by Minister Eddie Rodriguez, Church of Christ.

The invocation was given by Council Member David Loeb.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Ms. Esther Velazquez gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. City Secretary Rebecca Huerta to call the roll of the required Charter Officers.

City Secretary Rebecca Huerta called the roll and stated that a quorum of the Council and the required Charter Officers were present to conduct the meeting.

Charter Officers:

City Manager Ron Olson, Interim City Attorney Lisa Aguilar, and City Secretary Rebecca Huerta.

Present: 8 - Council Member Kelley Allen, Council Member David Loeb, Mayor Nelda Martinez, Council Member Mark Scott, Council Member Chad Magill, Council Member Colleen McIntyre, Council Member Lillian Riojas, and Council Member Rudy Garza

Absent: 1 - Council Member Priscilla Leal

E. Proclamations / Commendations

None.

G. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS / UPDATE ON CITY OPERATIONS:

Mayor Martinez deviated from the agenda and referred to City Manager's Comments. City Manager Ron Olson reported on the following issue:

a. City Performance Report - Municipal Information Services

City Manager Olson asked Director of Municipal Information Services Michael Armstrong to provide a briefing on the operations, mission and goals of the Municipal Information Services Department.

b. Other

None.

I. MINUTES:

2. Regular Council meeting of January 14, 2014.

Mayor Martinez called for approval of the minutes. Council Member Garza made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Council Member Magill and passed unanimously.

J. BOARDS & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

3. Airport Board
Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority

Mayor Martinez called for board and committee appointments. The following appointments were made:

Airport Board - Robert A. Williams (Appointed)
Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority - Jeffrey Pollack (Appointed)

K. EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL ACTION:

L. CONSENT AGENDA: (ITEMS 4 - 26)

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mayor Martinez called for the consent agenda. City Manager Olson stated that Item 23 was withdrawn. There were no comments from the Council or the public. The consent agenda was passed by one vote as follows:

Aye: 8 - Council Member Allen, Council Member Loeb, Mayor Martinez, Council Member Scott, Council Member Magill, Council Member McIntyre, Council Member Riojas and Council Member Garza

Absent: 1 - Council Member Leal

Abstained: 0

4. Purchase of ten traffic signal cabinet assemblies

Motion approving the purchase of ten (10) traffic signal cabinet assemblies from Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc., Arlington, Texas for a total amount of \$82,240. The award is based on the cooperative purchasing agreement with the Texas Local Government Purchasing

Cooperative (TLGPC). Funds have been budgeted by the Engineering Department in FY 2013-2014.

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-003

5. Supply agreement for single port meter transmission units

Motion approving a supply agreement with Aclara Technologies LLC, Hazelwood, Missouri for approximately 5,376 single port meter transmission units (MTUs). The award is based on sole source, for an estimated annual expenditure of \$473,088 of which \$275,968 is required for the remainder of FY 2013-2014. The term of the contract will be for twelve months with an option to extend the contract for up to two additional twelve month periods, subject to the approval of the City Manager or designee. Funds have been budgeted by the Water Department in FY 2013-2014.

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-004

6. Grant application for Speed and Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) overtime enforcement

Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) in the amount of \$98,082 for the 2015 Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Project (STEP) within the Police Department, for overtime Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) and Speed enforcement, with a city match of \$40,266.75, for a total project cost of \$138,348.75, and authorizing the City Manager or designee to accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant.

This Resolution was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030052

7. Interlocal agreement for sharing of juvenile records

Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute an interlocal cooperation agreement with Corpus Christi Independent School District regarding sharing of juvenile records.

This Resolution was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030053

8. Purchase for upgrading Intergraph Computer Aided Dispatch (I/CAD), Mobile to Mobile Public Safety (MPS), and Intergraph Law Enforcement Agencies Data and Records Management System

(I/LEADS-RMS) software

Motion authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to approve the purchase of Intergraph Computer Aided Dispatch, Mobile to Mobile Public Safety and Intergraph Law Enforcement Agencies Data and Records Management System software upgrade services from Intergraph Corporation Security, Government and Infrastructure of Madison, Alabama for an estimated expenditure of \$439,135.00 including first year maintenance. Maintenance will automatically renew upon payment of annual fee. Funds have been budgeted by Municipal Information Systems Department in FY 2013-2014.

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-005

9. Purchase of server licenses necessary for Intergraph upgrade

Motion authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to approve the purchase of Microsoft SQL Server 2012 Enterprise Core Edition licenses, for the Intergraph upgrade, from SHI Government Solutions for \$142,441.60. SHI Government Solutions is a State of Texas authorized Department of Information Resources certified vendor, contract DIR-SDD-2503. Funds have been budgeted by Municipal Information Systems Department in FY 2013-2014.

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-006

10. Purchase of twelve months of monthly access fees for current SunGard applications

Motion authorizing the City Manager or designee to purchase from SunGard Public Sector, Inc. of Lake Mary, Florida, twelve months of Monthly Access Fees, providing continued hosting services for all current SunGard applications, in the amount of \$345,258.12 over the twelve month period. Following the initial term, Services will be provided on a year-to-year basis provided the City exercises the option and pays the then current Monthly Access Fee.

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-007

11. Contracts for storage area networks and information technology backup system replacement with disaster recovery solution

Motion authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute contracts with three companies: Freeit Data Solutions of Austin, Texas (DIR-SDD-2035) for \$1,428,006.34; Sigma Solutions of San Antonio,

Texas (DIR-SDD-1385) for \$297,997.82; and Computer Solutions of San Antonio, Texas (DIR-SDD-1382) for \$150,610.11. The purchase will be financed over a five year period with Key Government Finance, Inc. with monthly payments of \$32,587.62 (\$1,955,257.20 total).

This Motion was passed on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: M2014-008

12. Second Reading Ordinance - Appropriating competition proceeds from American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) Rachel Ray Challenge (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance appropriating \$30,000 from ASPCA Rachel Ray Challenge in the No. 1020 General Fund to support the trap-neuter-return of feral cats in the community, targeted spay and neuter, and humane housing of animals at the animal care facility; and amending Ordinance No. 029915, which adopted the FY 2013-2014 Budget, by increasing revenue and expenditures in the General Fund No. 1020 by \$30,000 each.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030054

13. Second Reading Ordinance - Accepting and appropriating a State grant for prevention of internet crimes against children (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force program, in the amount of \$4,084 to purchase equipment for the ICAC program within the Police Department; and appropriating the \$4,084 in the No. 1061 Police Grants Fund.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030055

14. Second Reading Ordinance - Appropriating utility bill donations for the Arts & Cultural Commission (ACC) (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to appropriate \$11,480.08 in City utility customer donations in General Fund No. 1020 for use by programs coordinated through the City Arts and Cultural Commission.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030056

15. Second Reading Ordinance - Accepting and appropriating State grant amendment for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) water access improvements and promenade expansion at North Beach (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to accept and appropriate an amended grant in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grant Fund in the amount of \$35,724.22 from the Texas General Land Office-Coastal Management Program (CMP) for the construction of ADA water access improvements and promenade expansion.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030057

16. Second Reading Ordinance - Accepting and appropriating State grant for the after school snack program and entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Corpus Christi Independent School District (CCISD) to provide snacks (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant in the amount of \$203,608 from the Texas Department of Agriculture; appropriating grant in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grants Fund for the Latchkey After School Snack Program; to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Corpus Christi Independent School District to provide snacks services for the after school snack program for five years.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030058

17. Second Reading Ordinance - Amending the Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Tree Advisory Committee (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance amending the City Code of Ordinances regarding membership of the Tree Advisory Committee of Corpus Christi, Texas.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030059

18. Second Reading Ordinance - Lease agreement with kickball league for Bill Witt Park (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing City Manager or designee to execute a 60 month lease agreement with C.C. United Kickball League for 6869 Yorktown, Bill Witt Park, in the City, Lessee agrees to operate and

maintain the premises according to City standards.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030060

19. Second Reading Ordinance - Lease agreement with baseball league for Price Park (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a 60 month lease agreement with Southside Pony Baseball League for Price Park, in the City, Lessee agrees to operate and maintain the premises according to City standards.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030061

20. Second Reading Ordinance - Lease agreement with soccer league for Labonte Park (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing City Manager or designee to execute a 60 month lease agreement with Great Western Soccer League for Labonte Park, in the City, Lessee agrees to operate and maintain the premises according to City standards.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030062

21. Second Reading Ordinance - Lease agreement with soccer league for North and South Pope Park (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance authorizing City Manager or designee to execute a 60 month lease agreement with Santa Fe Soccer League for North and South Pope Park, in the City, Lessee agrees to operate and maintain the premises according to City standards.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030063

22. Second Reading Ordinance - Appropriating funds for safety vestibule at detention center (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance appropriating \$50,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance in the No. 1020 General Fund for remodeling the City Detention Center to create a safety vestibule; and changing the FY 2013-2014 Adopted Annual Operating Budget adopted by Ordinance No 029915 by increasing expenditures by \$50,000 in the No. 1020 General Fund.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030064

23. Second Reading Ordinance - Approving Seawall Maintenance Capital Improvement Program (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance amending the FY 2014 Capital Improvement Program Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 029916 to add the Seawall Maintenance projects approved by the Type A Board and City Council as listed in Attachment A; appropriating \$6,500,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance in No. 1120 Seawall Improvement Fund and transferring and appropriating into Seawall CIP Fund 3272 for the Fiscal Year 2014 projects as listed in Attachment A; changing the FY 14 Operating Budget adopted by Ordinance 029915 to increase expenditures by \$6,500,000.

This Ordinance was withdrawn

24. Second Reading Ordinance - Reimbursement to General Fund for funds borrowed and expended for the Aquarius Street Project (Bond 2008) (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance approving the transfer of funds in the amount of \$950,000 from the Street CIP Fund 3530 for the budgeted expenditures, including construction, of the Aquarius Street Project from Dasmarinas to Commodores into the No. 1020 General Fund; changing the FY2013-2014 Operating Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 022915 by increasing revenue by \$950,000 in the No. 1020 General Fund; and changing the FY2013-2014 Capital Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 022916 by increasing appropriations by \$950,000.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030065

25. Second Reading Ordinance - Changing the fiscal year (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance changing the City of Corpus Christi's fiscal year from August 1st through July 31st to October 1st through September 30th.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030066

26. Second Reading Ordinance - Amending City code relating to administration of liens (1st Reading 1/14/14)

Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by revising Section 17, Finance and Taxation; revising Section 17-4, Release of Liens-Execution; and revising Section 17-5, Same-Certificates;

providing for effective date and providing for severance.

This Ordinance was passed on second reading on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: 030067

M. PUBLIC HEARINGS: (NONE)

N. REGULAR AGENDA: (NONE)

O. FIRST READING ORDINANCES: (NONE)

P. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: (ITEM 27)

Mayor Martinez referred to the Future Agenda. City Manager Ron Olson stated that staff did not have a planned presentation. (Note: Council Members Magill and Scott abstained from the discussion on this item.)

27. Resolution supporting exportation of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the Coastal Bend and supporting Cheniere Energy's federal permit applications for the Corpus Christi LNG Liquefaction Plant

Resolution supporting the exportation of liquefied natural gas from the Coastal Bend and supporting Cheniere Energy's permit application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Department of Energy for the Corpus Christi LNG Liquefaction facility at the LaQuinta Channel.

This Resolution was recommended to consent agenda

F. PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE AUDIENCE ON MATTERS NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA WILL BE HEARD AT APPROXIMATELY 12:00 P.M. PLEASE LIMIT PRESENTATIONS TO THREE MINUTES. A recording is made of the meeting; therefore, please speak into the microphone located at the podium and state your name and address. If you have a petition or other information pertaining to your subject, please present it to the City Secretary.

Mayor Martinez deviated from the agenda and called for comments from the audience. Abel Alonzo spoke against comments made by President Barack Obama regarding the use of artificial marijuana and thanked Police Chief Floyd Simpson for recognizing the dangerous affects of synthetic drugs. Johnny French recommended longer agendas in the future and requested the following topics be included on a future agenda: addressing the changes to the opossum (small animal trap) policy; an action item related to the Shoreline Realignment to allow for public comment; the funding for the parks from Bond 2008, Proposition 7; and requesting that the City approach the Corps of Engineers to assist in the cost sharing of the recreation amenities at Packery Channel. Carolyn Moon spoke regarding bond work on Staples Street. Mary Lou Huffman spoke against the City using the word "enforcement" in department titles. Foster Edwards, President/CEO of the Corpus Christi Chamber of Commerce thanked the City for including funding in the budget for

the South Texas Military Task Force and informed the Council of the following Chamber events: the Mayor's State of the City on Thursday, February 6th; "Tips from the Tank" with guest speaker Barbara Corcoran on March 6th; and "2014 CB to DC" legislative trip to Washington, D.C. scheduled on March 23rd. Colin Sykes, Emily Olivares, Sylvia Campos, Sonia McLaughlin, and Judy Landress spoke regarding the Supreme Court's Citizens United decision and requested support of a resolution to amend the constitution. Carlos Gonzales, General Manager of Joe's Crab Shack requested signage redirecting traffic through construction from the Shoreline Realignment Project. Gretchen Arnold, Chairperson of the Bicycle Advisory Committee, thanked City staff and leadership for revisiting the Shoreline Realignment Project and spoke in support of the revisions to the design for safer pedestrian and bicycle activity.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION: (ITEM 1)

Mayor Martinez deviated from the agenda and referred to the day's executive session. The Council went into executive session.

1. Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076, Deliberations regarding Security Devices or Security Audits, with possible discussion and action in open session.

This E-Session Item was discussed in executive session

Q. BRIEFINGS TO CITY COUNCIL: (ITEMS 28 - 31)

28. Utilities Strategic Plan

Mayor Martinez referred to Item 28. Assistant Director of Treatment for Utilities Brian Butscher stated that the purpose of this item is to develop a strategic vision for the utilities operations. Mr. Butscher provided information on the major questions asked to identify the direction of the plan; the five (5) key elements of focus which include 1) to recruit, retain and develop an adequate workforce 2) expand and modernize infrastructure 3) optimize operations 4) ensure water supply far exceeds demand and 5) funding utility operations and maintenance and modernization; and the schedule of phases moving forward. Council members asked questions regarding the representation of the color coding and reference codes; staffing requirements; whether staff has developed a fair assessment of where the City is currently; timeframe; expected costs for achieving goals including sustainability; anticipated changes to the current rate structure; including the condition of utilities into the street bond replacement program; and the cost of the utility system to operate.

31. Shoreline Realignment

Mayor Martinez referred to Item 31. Acting Director of Capital Programs Natasha Fudge stated that the purpose of this item is to provide an update on the Shoreline Realignment Project and discuss options for consideration on the park and improvements to pedestrian and bicycles routes. Ms. Fudge presented the following options: Option 1: Median shift to center and removal

of back in parking and Option 2: Median shift to center and keep both back in parking aisles. Ms. Fudge reported that staff is recommending Option 1 to provide more flexibility and improve pedestrian safety. Mayor Martinez announced that she would prefer to postpone a discussion on the parks improvements and focus on a solution to address the maintenance and reconstruction of residential streets. Council members discussed the following topics: support for the pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements; waiting to evaluate the parking; expansion of the median in the area of Park and Kinney Street; waiting to address the park improvements until after the Council focuses on the residential streets; consideration to eliminate the existing north bound lanes; traffic concerns with the new Harbor Bridge project; a future option for the median to have the flexibility of converting to a third lane moving south; improving the wayfinding to minimize the impact to business; the additional timeframe for the project completion; removal of the parking; public communication; and including Water Street on the Bond 2014 proposition.

There was a general consensus of the Council to support Option 1, delay the discussion on park improvements until after the Council addresses the solution for residential streets, and request that staff come back with alternative to address the removal of the existing north bound lanes.

29. Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Consolidation

Mayor Pro Tem Magill referred to Item 29. Interim Assistant City Manager for Public Works and Utilities stated that the purpose of this item is to update the Council on the Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Plant Consolidation. Mr. Van Vleck presented a chart of the regional water supply and demand from the years 2000 through 2060. The chart focuses on additional criteria for future supplies including that supplies should provide at least 20,000 acre feet; supplies are drought proof or can be made drought proof; and that the solution is expandable. Mr. Van Vleck stated that the water supply includes large water supplies; consideration of effluent; desalination; conservation; and reuse. Council members asked questions regarding the the following topics: an explanation of contracted but unused demands; population growth projections; the additional criteria added to the matrix; permitting issues associated with reuse; desalination projects; communication with industry partners; conservation and how it fits in the supply and demand model; development of policies or incentives for developers regarding conservation efforts; landscaping options; the estimated water losses from the meter to treatment plant; and the future water releases from Lake Corpus Christi.

Assistant Director of Treatment for Utilities Brian Butscher presented a map of the six wastewater treatment plants, the proposed locations for consideration of a regional wastewater treatment plant, and a project schedule. Mr. Butscher reported that research has determined that the Greenwood Wastewater Treatment Plant would be the most cost effective location. Mr. Butscher said that the consultant was informed that the regional plant should be modular; expandable; built to the year 2040 flows standards; and would need to treat to Type 1 effluent. Mr. Butscher stated the staff would come back with a recommendation within 60 to 90 days on project costs and return on investment. Council members asked questions regarding the following topics: whether other communities have done a conversion of this scale and reuse; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) permits and discharge standards; funding to improve the condition of the existing plants; state funding for Type

1 standards; and projected schedule for plant transfers.

30. Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Project Status

Mayor Pro Tem Magill referred to Item 30. Director of Municipal Information Services Michael Armstrong stated that the purpose of this item is to provide an update on the status of the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Project. Mr. Armstrong provided information on the ERP replacement; the different modules; the overall progress; cost; and the implementation timeline.

R. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.