



City of Mesquite, Texas

Minutes - Final City Council

Monday, February 17, 2014

12:30 PM

City Hall | Council Chamber
757 N. Galloway | Mesquite, Texas

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Shirley Roberts and Councilmembers Al Forsythe, Bill Porter, Stan Pickett, Greg Noschese and Dennis Tarpley, City Manager Ted Barron and City Secretary Sonja Land.

Absent: Mayor John Monaco.

PRE-MEETING - COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM - 12:30 P.M.

AGENDA REVIEW

STAFF PRESENTATIONS

- 1 View Video "What Could Travel in America Look Like."
- 2 Receive briefing regarding Town East Elevated Tank logos.

It was Council consensus to paint the perimeter of the bowl of the tower in three locations using "Town East" once and "Mesquite" twice.
- 3 Discuss Minimum Standard procedures for Commercial Operations at Mesquite Metro Airport and receive briefing regarding a request to operate an aircraft sales and maintenance facility.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM - 12:42 P.M.

The City Council met in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to consider purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (acquisition of property near the Mesquite Metro Airport); whereupon, the City Council proceeded to meet in the Executive Conference Room. After the closed meeting ended at 1:02 p.m., the City Council reconvened in Open Session.

No executive action was necessary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM - 1:02 P.M.

The City Council met in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to consider commercial or financial information regarding business prospects or projects (economic development incentives for an existing industry in the Skyline Industrial District); whereupon, the City Council proceeded to meet in the Executive Conference Room. After the closed meeting ended at 1:33 p.m., the City Council reconvened in Open Session.

No executive action was necessary.

CITY COUNCIL/STAFF WORK SESSION - CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER - 1:35 P.M.

- 4 Receive briefing from the North Texas Municipal Water District regarding water supply projects.

Mike Rickman, representing the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD), provided a briefing regarding the current water supply, status of the Lake Texoma supply and the ozonation project. He stated that the reservoir elevations of Lakes Lavon, Chapman, Tawakoni and Texoma are down and that the NTMWD has almost exhausted its supply from Lake Chapman until additional rainfall is received. Lake Texoma is not currently online due to zebra mussels being found in the lake and the zebra mussels cannot be transported across state lines.

Mr. Rickman stated that the model to predict future lake elevations includes 70 years of weather data and does not have climate change built into it. The state climatologist has indicated that Texas history has shown that drought and wet cycles occur every 10-15 years. During the 1990s, Texas experienced a wet cycle and since 2000, Texas has encountered a drier period which is predicted to continue for another five years.

Mr. Rickman explained that NTMWD anticipates a short-term water supply need in 2017-2020 and reviewed four alternatives to meet the shortage. The first alternative, and the most cost effective, would be to extend the contract with the City of Dallas to purchase water through the release of water into the East Fork of the Trinity River. The second alternative includes constructing the Main Stem Pump Station and Pipeline which would be located on the Trinity River and consist of 17 miles of pipeline at a cost of \$95 million with completion in two years. The Main Stem Pipeline would supplement the water supply into the wetlands project located near Seagoville by moving additional water from the main stem of the Trinity River to the wetlands and then pumped to Lake Lavon. The third alternative includes constructing a desalination water treatment plant near Sherman at a cost of \$582 million and the fourth alternative would be to accelerate the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir project at a cost of over \$600 million. NTMWD staff is focused on the Dallas contract extension and the design and permitting of the Main Stem Pump Station and Pipeline project.

Mr. Pickett left the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Mr. Rickman stated that the NTMWD will begin dredging the intake channels at Lakes Jim Chapman and Lavon in the next few weeks. The intake channels have been silted in and have never been dredged. The Lake Texoma pipeline has been completed and connects with the existing pipeline to the water treatment plant at Lake Lavon. The water from the pipeline is then blended with Lake Lavon water at the water treatment plant.

Mr. Pickett returned to the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Mr. Rickman stated that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has changed the disinfection by-product regulations and now requires compliance at each designated sampling site rather than averaging all sites. Ozone will be utilized as the primary disinfectant rather than chlorine, which will be used at the end of the process, in order to enable member cities to comply with the EPA's regulations. The NTMWD is nearing completion on four water treatment plants which will be used for ozone generation. A benefit to using ozone disinfection is that the

episodes of the taste and odor will be minimized. He added that the Wylie ozone disinfectant system is the largest in the world for water treatment.

Mr. Rickman confirmed that NTMWD staff has reviewed landscaping requirements of member cities and agrees that it is critical to discontinue planting some of the plants which are required to be watered two to three times per week.

Mr. Rickman stated that the first phase of the Lake Texoma pipeline project will be operational in May 2014 with the final phase in June 2014.

The work session ended at 2:21 p.m.

5 Receive quarterly investment report for period covering October 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013.

6 Receive financial statement for period covering October 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER - 3:03 P.M.

INVOCATION

Doug Herrell, Associate Pastor, Family Cathedral of Praise, Mesquite, Texas.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recreation After School Participants.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) Mr. Noschese extended condolences from the Mayor and City Council to the family of Tut Morris, a former City Councilmember, who recently passed away.

(2) Mr. Noschese announced that the Mesquite Public Library will celebrate its 50th Anniversary tomorrow, February 18, 2014, with a reception from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Mesquite Main Library, 300 W. Grubb. In conjunction with the anniversary, the Food for Fine amnesty program begins today through Friday, February 21, 2014. Patrons with overdue books or fines may stop by either library branch this week and donate non-perishable food items in lieu of paying fines. The library will waive one dollar of fines for every can or non-perishable food item donated. All donations will be equally distributed between Mesquite Social Services and Sharing Life Community Outreach food banks. Mr. Noschese invited everyone to attend the reception and participate in the amnesty program this week.

CITIZENS FORUM

Toni Mills, 3742 Gus Thomasson Rd., #906, Mesquite, spoke regarding drug policy and medical cannabis reform.

CONSENT AGENDA**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Mr. Pickett moved to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, as follows. Motion was seconded by Mr. Porter and approved unanimously.

- 7 Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 3, 2014.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 8 An ordinance amending Chapter 10.5 of the City Code by adding Sections 10.5-36 and 10.5-37 thereby making it unlawful to use vapor or electronic cigarettes in specific areas in public parks and park facilities.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Ordinance No. 4300, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 10.5 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AS AMENDED, BY ADDING NEW SECTIONS 10.5-36 AND 10.5-37 THEREBY MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO USE VAPOR OR ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES IN SPECIFIC AREAS IN PUBLIC PARKS AND PARK FACILITIES; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED (\$500.00) DOLLARS FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (Ordinance No. 4300 recorded on page of Ordinance Book No. 103.)

- 9 Bid No. 2014-018 - Annual Supply of Police Officer Uniforms. (Staff recommends award to Red, The Uniform Tailor, Inc., in the amount of \$87,344.00.)

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 10 Bid No. 2014-056 - Purchase of Four 4-Door Sedans. (Staff recommends award to Silsbee Ford, in Silsbee, Texas, through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the amount of \$69,072.00.)

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 11 Authorize the City Manager to execute a change order to City Contract No. 2014-038, Pool Resurfacing at City Lake Aquatic Center, with Sunbelt Pools, in the amount of \$20,530.00.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA**RECEIPT OF RESIGNATION**

- 12 Receive resignation from Chad Hastings as a member of the Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc., Board of Directors.

Mr. Tarpley moved to accept the resignation of Chad Hastings as a member of the Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. Board of Directors. Motion was seconded by Mr. Noschese and approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pickett moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Mr. Noschese and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Shirley Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem

Sonja Land, City Secretary