



City of Rowlett

Action Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, February 3, 2015

5:30 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Dana-Bashian, Councilmember Sheffield and Councilmember van Bloemendaal

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
3. **WORK SESSION (5:30 P.M.)*** Times listed are approximate.

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

- 3A. Receive update on 84th Texas Legislative Session. (30 minutes)
- 3B. Hear a presentation outlining the City Aggregate, Departmental, and Tenure-based results of the 2014 City of Rowlett Employee Climate Assessment Survey. (30 minutes)
- 3C. Discuss the Request for Proposals (RFP's) submitted on January 22, 2015, for the remodel of the 5702 Rowlett Road property for the Rowlett Public Library. (30 minutes)
- 3D. Discuss proposed amendments to the Code of Ordinances to create regulations pertaining to Oil and Gas Drilling and Production, and seek feedback from City Council regarding future consideration of proposed amendments. (30 minutes)
4. **DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Council took a short break at 7:13 p.m.

CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (7:30 P.M.)*

Council reconvened in Regular Session at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION – Kason Huddleston, Freedom Place Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Hear presentation of the Monthly Financial report for the period ending December 31, 2014.

Wendy Badgett, Interim Finance Director, presented the report.

- 5B.** Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

Mayor Gottel announced the following: Next Regular Council meetings will be held on Tuesday, February 17th, March 3rd and 17th. Special Work Sessions Tuesday, February 10th and March 10th. Upcoming Planning and Zoning Commission meetings will be Tuesday, February 10th and 24th, held in the City Hall Conference Room at 6pm. CIP (COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM) TASK FORCE: Ballot language will be discussed at the next Special Work Session meeting for Council on Tuesday, February 10th. Meeting will be held in the Annex Conference Room starting at 6pm. Adoption of the ballot language at Council meeting on Tuesday, February 17th. The CIP Task Force will conduct a follow up meeting for the initiative in either late February or March. 2015 Bond Election set for May 9, 2015 – \$25M of Community Investment Projects – NO TAX INCREASE! ROWLETT RANKS HIGH AGAIN! BEST SMALL CITIES FOR FAMILIES: Rowlett ranks #33 in the Country out of 1030 cities analyzed by financial blog Nerdwallet!! Based on three factors: #1 – Income and affordability; #2 – Prosperity and growth; #3 – Family-friendliness. DALLAS MORNING NEWS STUDY – “How Transparent is Your Community?” – Rowlett ranks #4 out of 113 agencies! Year-long audit of open government compliance by DMN reporters tracked 565 request to 113 area cities, towns, county governments and school districts to determine how well they followed state laws guaranteeing access to information about how taxpayer money is spent. More than 1 in 5 local government entities assessed scored a “D” or “F” grade. Rowlett was among the best in the Transparency 2015 ratings, earning an “A” rating. OLD CENTRAL FIRE STATION ON MAIN - Part of the Chamber of Commerce relocation next to Herfurth Park will include the demolition later in February of the existing Old Central Fire Station. Prior to this demolition, the Police Department will be conducting SWAT training exercises starting Wednesday morning at 9am. Please do not be alarmed as these exercises will include the use of explosives. FREE MULCH! - Located at the Kirby Water Tower, 3801 PGBT (service road) Available now through Friday, February 13th. COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM CLASSES - Saturdays, February 7th and 14th from 8am – 6pm. Visit rowlettcert.com or email cert@rowlettcitizencorps.org for more information. TWICE A MONTH

LANSCAPE WATERING – *Watering once every other week still in effect!* ANIMAL SHELTER: Low Cost Vaccine Clinics Saturday, February 21st from 1:00 – 3:00pm at 4402 Industrial Street. Normal Business Hours, Monday – Friday, 10am – 5pm, Saturday, 10:00am – 5pm. PARKS AND RECREATION - Upcoming Events: Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 28th, 10am – 12pm at Pecan Grove Park. Pup-a-Palooza – Sunday, March 29th, 2-4pm at Herfurth Park; \$10 per dog. In Case of Emergency (ICE) – for Seniors, Tuesday February 10th at 10am at RCC – Rowlett Fire Rescue provides tips to ensure Rowlett seniors are prepared for an emergency. Check out all the programs in the Spring 2015 edition of the Lakeside Leisure or at www.rowlett.com on the Parks Department page. With over 50 ways to get healthy and stay active – there’s something for everyone! Parents Day Out, Little Athletes, SAT Prep Course, Senior Programs and many, many more! ROWLETT LIBRARY - Upcoming Events: Edible Book Contest – February 2nd – 14th, Family Saturday Movie & Popcorn – February 7th, 2pm. One-on-One Tech Help – Every Friday at Rowlett Library, flexible times – call 972-412-6161 for times. And many more programs – Check online or with the Library for dates and times at rowlett.com or 972.412.6161.

5C. Mayor's State of the City Address

Mayor Gottel provided some brief introductory remarks, thanking the City staff, his fellow Councilmembers and the citizens of Rowlett. The State of the City video then played.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

Helen Walsh, 10309 Evergreen Drive, Rowlett; spoke regarding the Rowlett Animal Shelter.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7A.** Consider action to approve minutes from the January 20, 2015, City Council Meeting and the January 27, 2015 City Council Work Session Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 7B.** Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and release of retainage for the Rowlett Road Lower Pressure Plane Pump Station Project in the amount of \$361,394.16 to Crescent Constructors Incorporated, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-010-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7C.** Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and release of retainage for the traffic signal construction for the Princeton Road at Liberty Grove Road Project in the amount of \$14,627.90 to Durable Specialties, Incorporated and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-011-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7D. Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and release of retainage for the Martha Lane Tank Water Main Improvements Project in the amount of \$22,989 to Fryer Construction Company, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-012-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7E. Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and release of retainage for the 24-Inch Force Main Replacement and Television Inspection Project in the amount of \$26,856.93 to Flow-Line Construction and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-013-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7F. Consider action to approve a resolution accepting the proposal of and awarding a contract to Gadberry Construction Company, Inc., for the remodel of the building at 5702 Rowlett Road for the Rowlett Public Library in the amount of \$423,050, plus an early completion bonus of \$2,000 for a total amount of \$425,050, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-014-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7G. Consider a resolution approving a request for alternative building materials for a garage conversion located at 8013 Eagle Drive, further described as Lot 4, Block C of the Dalrock Heights Addition to the City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas. (DP14-756)

This item was approved as RES-015-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7H. Consider action to approve a resolution accepting the bid of and awarding a contract to Motorola in the amount of \$82,485 for the purchase of 18 – P25 portable radios through the interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement with Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC).

This item was approved as RES-016-15 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A. Conduct a public hearing and take action on a request for a Planned Development with an underlying General Commercial/Retail (C-2) base zoning district to allow a self-storage facility at property located at 7301 Lakeview Parkway further described as being Block A, Lot 2 RaceTrac Addition, City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas (Case Number PD14-750).

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Dana-Bashian, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a vote of six (6) in favor and one (1) opposed (Sheffield). This item was adopted as ORD-006-15.

- 8B.** Consider a resolution authorizing the use of eminent domain to condemn property and authorizing the initiation of condemnation proceedings under Chapter 21, Texas Property Code, to acquire property consisting of a part of the tract of land located at 2609 Lakeview Parkway (described as 0.042 acres of right-of-way situated in the Reason Crist Survey, Abstract Number 225, Lot 2 Luke's Landing Addition, Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas) and a part of the tract of land located at 5404 Kenwood Drive (described as 0.276 acres of right-of-way and 0.435 acres of temporary construction easement situated in the Reason Crist Survey, Abstract Number 225, Lot 5A, Luke's Landing Addition, Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas) for use as a public street and for temporary construction easement purposes.

A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was adopted as RES-017-15.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

There was no action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 9:43 p.m.