



City of Rowlett

Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, November 17, 2009

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 Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson and Councilmember Kilgore

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Convened into Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 2A. The City Council shall convene into executive session pursuant to the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE (consultation with Attorney) to seek legal advice from the City Attorney regarding Waterview golf course. (5 minutes)

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Reconvened into open session at 5:46 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION ITEMS (5:40 P.M.)

- 3A. Joint Meeting with Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. (10 minutes)

Wayne Baxter, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, spoke concerning Keep Rowlett Beautiful, the Environmental Learning Center, and recorded 1,021 volunteer hours were worked, field lighting, the Spring Clean-Up, the expanded senior programs, and the Partners Foundation.

- 3B.** Review of Martin Street Drive Project relative to the downtown area and transit oriented opportunities. (15 minutes)

Staff stated the project will be the gateway to Downtown Rowlett. Spoke regarding planning initiatives. It was mentioned that some innovations funding may be used to update the Comprehensive Plan.

- 3C.** Presentation and discussion on the DART Art and Design Project and Rowlett Station Design. (45 minutes)

Representatives from DART made a PowerPoint presentation. Stated two meetings have been held and two additional meetings will be held following discussion from this meeting. Spoke regarding parking and funding. DART stated the deadline for the budgeting decision will be December 8, 2009. Consensus was reached regarding the Plaza Baseline Design.

- 3D.** Staff presentation on the status of the lease/purchase contract for Engine 2. (10 minutes)

Staff spoke regarding the lease/purchase contract for Engine 2. Stated no funding is to be transferred until funding is received. Consensus was reached to move forward.

- 3E.** Staff presentation on the purchase of two replacement fire engines for Rowlett Fire Rescue. (15 minutes)

Staff stated timing due to changes in engine design makes this imperative to be done now. The financing will be for ten (10) years and will begin in October 2010. Consensus was reached to move forward.

- 3F.** Discuss updated credit card fee options. (10 minutes)

Staff presented a PowerPoint presentation and the cost to the City is negligible. This will be presented on the Consent Agenda at the next meeting.

- 3G.** Discussion regarding electronic bill presentment and payment service offered by DataProse Incorporated. (15 minutes)

Staff explained the new payment service offered by DataProse Incorporated and stated it was on the current agenda for approval.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Item 10E was removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered individually.

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

Convened into the Council Chambers at 7:40 p.m.

5. INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Pastor Chris Field, Heritage Church of Christ.

6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Webelos Pack #839.

7. TEXAS PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Texas Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harper.

8. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

8A. Proclamation recognizing Nicholas Allen Torske for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Mayor Harper presented Eagle Scout Nicholas Allen Torske with a proclamation.

8B. Proclamations for the 2009 Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission Young Artists Exhibit winners.

Mayor Harper presented the 2009 Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission Young Artists winners with proclamations.

8C. Update from the Mayor: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest, and Items of Community Interests.

Mayor Harper gave a brief update to the Council on the various activities in the City.

9. CITIZENS' INPUT

No one spoke during the Citizens' Input.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

Item 10E was removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered individually.

The City Secretary read the items into the record.

- 10A.** Consider approving minutes from the October 27, 2009 Joint Council Meeting with Planning and Zoning and the November 3, 2009 Regular Council Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 10B.** Consider approving a resolution amending the Supplemental Agreement between the City of Rowlett and DataProse, Incorporated for the printing and mailing services of utility bills as provided hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A and authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents for said services.

This item was approved as RES-142-09 on the Consent Agenda.

- 10C.** Consider a resolution accepting the public improvements consisting of 126 feet of 8-inch water line beginning 10 feet north of the Lakeview Parkway north ROW continuing south under Lakeview Parkway to 25 feet south of the south ROW, and authorize payment in the amount of forty-seven thousand three hundred eighty-four dollars (\$47,384.00) to Zalcon Group, LLC.

This item was approved as RES-143-09 on the Consent Agenda.

- 10D.** Consider an ordinance designating the Board of Adjustment as the Board of Appeals under the Building, Construction and Fire Codes.

This item was approved as ORD-034-09 on the Consent Agenda.

- 10E.** Consider approving a resolution for contract renewals of employee benefits for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 to Humana for medical insurance in the estimated amount of \$2,071,745 and to Delta Dental for dental insurance in the estimated amount of One hundred fifty-five thousand

three hundred and six dollars (\$155,306) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents to continue said services.

Mayor Harper read the item into the record.

Staff briefly discussed the contract renewals for the employee benefits.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, seconded by Councilmember Rushing, to approve the resolution. This item was adopted as RES-144-09. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Mayor Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson, and Councilmember Kilgore

- 10F. Consider a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign on behalf of the city as the property owner on the following final plats: Main Street Lift Station Addition, Lot 1, Block A, being 2.765 ± acres out of the Thomas Collins Survey, Abstract Number 332, and Rowlett Road Lift Station, Lot 1, Block A, being .6146 ± acres out of the William Crabtree Survey, Abstract Number 347.

This item was approved as RES-145-09 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Rushing, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 – Mayor Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson, and Councilmember Kilgore

11. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

Mayor Harper read the item into the record.

- 11A. Conduct a public hearing and take appropriate action on the request of the City of Rowlett to make text amendments to the Rowlett Development Code pertaining to limiting homeowner association's authority to regulate solar energy and wind energy systems.

Staff gave a brief presentation regarding the various text amendments to the Rowlett Development Code.

The public hearing opened and closed at 8:32 p.m. with no one speaking.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, seconded by Councilmember Phillips, to approve the ordinance. This item was adopted as ORD-035-09. The motion carried by the following vote:

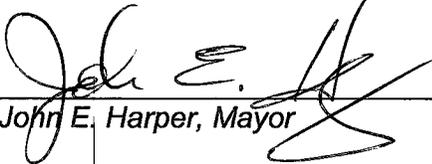
Ayes: 7 – Mayor Harper, Mayor Pro Tem Maggiotto, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gottel, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Rushing, Councilmember Jackson, and Councilmember Kilgore

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

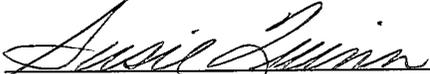
No action was taken following the Executive Session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Harper adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.



John E. Harper, Mayor



Susie Quinn, City Secretary

Date Approved: December 1, 2009