

STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF BRAZORIA  
 CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
 OF A REGULAR MEETING  
 MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 2017

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, 512 E. Brazos, West Columbia, Texas.

1. INVOCATION & PLEDGE. Invocation was given by Alderman Biedenfeld.
2. ROLL CALL. City Secretary Kuban called the roll of the Council.
  - Present: Mayor Kincannon, Aldermen Thomas, Tindol, Maynor, and Biedenfeld. Also present were City Manager Sutherland, City Secretary Kuban and City Attorney Olson.
  - Absent: Alderman Walker.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and wished them a happy new year and predicted 2017 to be a great and prosperous year for the city.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Keith Love of Angleton stated that he was 10 years clean of drug and alcohol and commented on there being no transitional recovery sober-living facilities. He was advised to contact Sandy Weems to discuss partnering with his Veteran's facility. Also, Mr. Abdul Panjwani inquired about a sinkhole on his property between Elmo's and the shopping center and it was reported that the project had been completed.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported on the following – \* The city engineer's report on Well No. 4 was distributed for review. \* The TxDOT Sidewalk project is 50% completed and the Hwy 36 widening project is predicted to be completed by early Fall 2022. \* Pothole patching machine is in for repairs before being put into use. \* Well No. 2 was taken out of service in December and Well No. 1 serviced the city without issues. \* The Chamber Banquet is January 12th at Heritage Hall. \* Auditors will be back onsite January 17th through 20th to complete fieldwork for the 2015/16 FY Audit. \* City offices will be closed January 16<sup>th</sup> in honor of Martin Luther King Day.
6. CONSENT AGENDA:
  - A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S). Minutes were submitted in Council packet.
  - B. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. Reports were submitted in Council packet.
  - C. POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT. Reports were submitted in Council packet.
  - D. MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - E. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Reports have not been submitted to date.
  - F. CODE ENFORCEMENT AND FIRE MARSHAL REPORT. Reports were submitted in Council packet.
  - G. CEMS. Report was submitted in Council packet.
  - H. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT. Report was submitted in Council packet.

Motion was made by Biedenfeld and seconded by Tindol to approve all consent agenda reports submitted. All voted Aye.
7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.
8. PUBLIC HEARING(S):
  - A. ABATEMENT OF STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 416 SNOW DRIVE THAT HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE UNOCCUPIED AND UNSECURED AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY; INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR CONDITIONS

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CONSTITUTING HAZARD TO HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF CITIZENS, ENDANGERMENT TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY; THEREFORE DEEMED DILAPIDATED, SUBSTANDARD AND/OR UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION: It was reported that permits were pending for voluntary demolition of this structure. There were no public comments made.

- B. ABATEMENT OF STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 502 E. BRAZOS (OLD POST OFFICE) THAT HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE UNOCCUPIED AND UNSECURED AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY; INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR CONDITIONS CONSTITUTING HAZARD TO HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF CITIZENS, ENDANGERMENT TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY; THEREFORE DEEMED DILAPIDATED, SUBSTANDARD AND/OR UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION: The new owners were present and reported that surveying and engineering reports are being completed, roofing and structural issues will be addressed and they want to do everything by the book to bring the building up to code. They will open a clothing store when remodel is complete. There were no other public comments.
9. NEW BUSINESS.
- A. CONSIDER ISSUING ORDER OF ABATEMENT OF STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 416 SNOW DRIVE: Motion was made by Biedenfeld to issue Order of Abatement allowing 90 days to complete demolition of structure located at 416 Snow Dr. Motion was seconded by Tindol. All voted Aye.
- B. CONSIDER ISSUING ORDER OF ABATEMENT OF STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 502 E. BRAZOS (OLD POST OFFICE): Motion was made by Biedenfeld to issue Order of Abatement allowing 9 months to bring structure located at 502 E. Brazos up to code. Motion was seconded by Tindol. All voted Aye.
- C. CONSIDER PAY ESTIMATE NO. 4 – FINAL WEISINGER, INC. INVOICE FOR WELL NO. 4 PROJECT: It was discussed that the final invoice is for retainage due on well drilling and all work by Weisinger has been completed. Motion was made by Biedenfeld and seconded by Tindol to issue final payment of \$91,446.50 to Weisinger, Inc. All voted Aye.
- D. CONSIDER CONTRACT FOR THE TEXAS POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM: Chief Odin reported that certification through TML of the Texas Police Chief's Association Foundation Recognition Program insures the Police Department is operating with complete transparency. Policy reviewing and sharing with other agencies provides protections against lawsuits and encourages ethical, legal and practical operations. Motion was made by Biedenfeld and seconded by Tindol to approve the contract for the Texas Police Chief's Association Foundation Recognition Program. All voted Aye.
- E. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE REPURCHASE OF 400 E. BRAZOS AVENUE BY WCEDC: The terms of the purchase of 400 E. Brazos (known as the Don Davis property) by Stripes from the WCEDC was discussed. They had purchased it with a privacy instruction and it included a buy-back provision that the EDC could repurchase the property at the original purchase price if construction was not complete by January 2017. The repurchase price will be roughly \$29,000 more than actual cash received for the sale. Biedenfeld made a motion to authorize the repurchase of 400 E. Brazos by the WCEDC

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- and added to include more teeth in future contracts regarding buy-back provisions. The motion was seconded by Thomas and all voted Aye.
- F. CONSIDER PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD NOMINATIONS: Parks Board members whose terms are expired are Sharon Williams, Deena Green-Patrick, Tiffanie Gupton, Wendy Thoe, Brittany Wisch and Donnie Congdon. All had expressed wished to serve another two year term if appointed. Motion was made by Biedenfeld to authorize the Mayor's re-appointment of those with expiring terms. Motion was seconded by Tindol. All voted Aye.
- G. CONSIDER 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE: Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve the 2017 Council meeting schedule as presented. All voted Aye.
10. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 7:58 P.M.

  
LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary