

STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
 CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
 OF A REGULAR MEETING
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 2013

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 11th day of February, 2013, 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. Kuban called the roll of the Council.
 - Present: Mayor Kincannon, Aldermen Thomas, Schwebel, Biedenfeld and Walker. City Manager Sutherland, City Secretary Kuban and City Attorney Griggs.
 - Absent: Alderman Tindol.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon welcomed everyone and Schwebel thanked the city and council for plant sent for her sister's death. Employee of the Month award was presented to Kelvin Earls.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Mr. Sam Stampert introduced himself to council upon his return to his hometown and stated that he would like to get involved in the community.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported that TxDOT was waiting on a right of way map; the Parks board was awaiting the delivery of the playground equipment for First Capitol Park with Dixon Park equipment scheduled; Capitol of Texas Park was being redone with the taller plants being cleared; Hanselman utility extension was previously approved for annexation and to connect water/sewer to both houses owned; Seismic group has met with city officials and is ready to start testing in area; Reimbursement of sales tax overpayment began in October, but has shown an increase; RV park requests have been received by the City Manager and Mayor suggested the Capitol Improvement Committee review issues and postpone permits until concluded; Replica flooring has been repaired for costs only with community service labor; Brazoria County Days in Austin is scheduled for March 19th; and the city offices will be closed for MLK holiday.
6. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S).
 - B. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 - C. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 - D. MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 - E. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 - F. CEMS. October and November Reports were submitted in Council's packet.
 - G. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 Motion was made by Thomas, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve all items on the consent agenda. All voted Aye.
7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.
8. OLD BUSINESS:
 - A. CONSIDER SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY ON SNOW DRIVE – CATHERINE DAVIS, OWNER: Sutherland reported that Paradise Cemetery Association wanted to purchase a portion of property owned by Catherine Davis that was smaller than the required buildable lot. Since its use would not be for building, she suggested it did not need to meet this requirement. Motion was made by Schwebel to grant final approval contingent on payment of any taxes. Thomas seconded motion and all voted Aye. Council is to sign plat upon submittal of proof of tax payment.

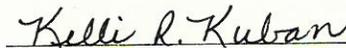
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- B. CONSIDER EDC BUSINESS INCENTIVE GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS: Motion was made by Thomas, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve the recommendations of the EDC for Business Incentive Grant funding to Brazos Avenue Market and Columbia Vet Clinic for sign improvements. All voted Aye. Discussion of the survey of Columbia Lakes and city residents was halted with Walker suggesting it be covered at a future meeting as it was not an agenda item.
- C. CONSIDER HOT ADVISORY BOARD FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS: Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Thomas to approve the recommendations of the HOT Advisory Board to fund the Chamber of Commerce \$2,929.37 for phone & mailing expenses and San Jacinto Festival advertising; Columbia Museum \$741.00 for promotion of the arts and Rosenwald School projects; and Tourism Council \$1,040.50 for Be a Tourist in Our Town advertising and signage. All voted Aye.
- D. CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH BRAZORIA COUNTY TO CONDUCT CITY'S GENERAL ELECTION: Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Thomas to authorize the signing of the agreement with Brazoria County to conduct the city's 2013 General Election. All voted Aye.
- E. CONSIDER RESOLUTION CALLING CITY ELECTION: Motion was made by Schwebel, seconded by Biedenfeld to adopt Resolution No. 432 calling the city's 2013 General Election. All voted Aye.
- F. CONSIDER RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LOCAL FAIR HOUSING POLICIES & PRACTICES: Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Biedenfeld to adopt Resolution No. 433 establishing Fair Housing Policies and Practices. All voted Aye.
- G. CONSIDER RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINT PROCEDURES: Motion was made by Thomas, seconded by Biedenfeld to adopt Resolution No. 434 establishing Fair Housing Complaint Procedures. All voted Aye.
- H. CONSIDER PARKS & RECREATION BOARD APPOINTMENT: Motion was made by Biedenfeld, seconded by Schwebel to approve the Mayor's appointment of Alma Spears to the Parks & Recreation board. All voted Aye.
10. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 7:47pm.


 LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:



 KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary