

STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
 CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
 OF A REGULAR MEETING
 MONDAY, MAY 13th, 2013

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 13th day of May 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 Walker.
2. ROLL CALL. City Secretary Kuban called the roll of the Council.
 Present: Mayor Kincannon, Aldermen Thomas, Tindol, Walker and Biedenfeld.
 City Manager Sutherland, City Secretary Kuban and City Attorney Griggs.
 Absent: Alderman Schwebel.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and information of the Connect CTY phone notification system was given. Proclamations were presented for Hurricane Awareness Week, Police Week and EMS Week.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: There were none.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported that TxDOT project has been delayed to the end of the year or longer to acquire additional right of ways; Dixon Park playground equipment has not been delivered to date but community build is still scheduled for May 18th; First Capitol Park playground sign has been ordered; Options to repair leak at First Capitol Park lake are being researched; 36 team Pixie softball tournament will be hosted at First Capitol Park; Seismic testing project has been delayed until August; Smart meters are currently being installed in areas of the city; 58 Police Chief applications have been submitted; City offices will be closed for Memorial Day.
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. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 - G. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT. Report was submitted in Council's packet.
 Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Thomas to approve all consent agenda reports. All voted Aye.
7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. CONSIDER HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX ADVISORY BOARD'S FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS: After requesting all future applications include copies of all advertisements, motion was made by Walker, seconded by Thomas to approve Chamber funding of \$126.00 for phone and mailing expense; Museum funding of \$1,402.32 for advertising and signage expenses, promotional items promoting tourism and historical preservation expenses; and City funding of \$26.86 for tourism expenses. All voted Aye.
 - B. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS: Motion was made to re-appoint nominees Kincannon and Brian Gupton and newly appoint Pam Mercer to HOT Advisory Board. All voted Aye.
 - C. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DIRECTORS: Motion was made to re-appoint nominees Thomas and Shoemaker and newly appoint Billy Jern to EDC Board. All voted Aye.

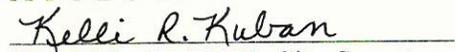
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- D. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR REPAYMENT OF EXPENSES GENERATED BY COLUMBIA LAKES IMPACT STUDY AND SURVEY: Walker gave a recap of events leading to the study and survey being conducted for a total expense of \$5,565. He reported on the letter requesting the study from the sub-committee of the Columbia Lakes Homeowners Association, the action of the EDC and Council based on good neighbor faith, and the subsequent letter sent to Columbia Lakes residents from the homeowners association. He stated that their letter undermined the very actions they initially requested and felt tax payers dollars should be repaid in full. After discussion of the specific amount that should be reimbursed, Griggs suggested a face to face meeting would be appropriate. Walker stated the public should be correctly informed of the chain of action or appoint a group to meet with the homeowners association. Biedenfeld made motion to ask Sutherland and relevant others to reach out politely to request repayment of survey costs only in the amount of \$1,565. Walker disagreed on waiving the \$5,000 cost to conduct the impact study. Motion died for lack of a second. Walker made motion to request full repayment of money spent. Tindol seconded motion. All voted Aye but Biedenfeld, who abstained. It was agreed that Walker would take action.
- E. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS THE DRAFTING OF RV PARK ORDINANCE: Walker recommended that RV Park ordinance should include ETJ and resident protection ordinance stipulations. City Attorney to research applicable laws regarding regulation of RV year models. He also advised that fencing requirements may need to be deleted after checking state and federal statutes. He also suggested a study group including some RV Park owners. Biedenfeld commented on the inclusion of special amenities, such as shower and laundry rooms, being to insure a solid capital investment and prevent "fly by night" operations. Grandfathering the one park currently operating within the city limits with legal provisions of a specific time frame was also discussed. Capital Improvement committee is to meet to make revisions prior to May 20th meeting.
9. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.


LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:


KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary