

STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF BRAZORIA  
 CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
 OF A REGULAR MEETING  
 MONDAY, APRIL 14th, 2014

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014, 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, Maynor, Walker and Biedenfeld. City Manager Sutherland, and City Secretary Kuban.  
 Absent: City Attorney Griggs.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and discussed the Rotary Shrimp Boil before reading the Public Safety Telecommunications Week Proclamation. Tindol invited everyone to the San Jacinto Festival and gave a report of the pending events.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: There were none.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported that the pool preparations are underway with the hiring of a pool manager and a volunteer park host is now onsite at the RV area; Parks and Recreation board is updating the Master Plan by conducting a public survey; Electronic metering system is being set into play with the software orientation being held and the first round of meters being installed at Magnolia Apartments; The county has begun the repair of S. 16<sup>th</sup> and E. Clay Streets; Police department representatives made grant presentation at a priority hearing in support of a new communications equipment; City is preparing for San Jacinto Festival activities; TxDOT upgrade to Hwy 35 & 36 intersection is almost complete and will include a sidewalk project from CHS to corner; CDBG funds available for next fiscal year will be approximately \$180,000 and projects are being reviewed by city engineer; City's CPI adjustment to telecommunications ROW access for telephone customers is increasing from \$.47 to \$.48; and city offices will be closed for Good Friday.
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.  
 Biedenfeld made a motion to accept all reports as submitted. Tindol seconded the motion. All voted Aye.
7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - A. CONSIDER RETIREMENT OF K-9, ZZ, AND HIS DISPOSITION: It was reported that ZZ, the WCPD drug dog, suffers from hip dysplasia and must be retired from duty. It was recommended that his handler, Canine Officer Mike Glaspie be allowed to adopt him. Biedenfeld made a motion to grant Glaspie the adoption of ZZ under the provisions of his letter submitted and that the city fund up to \$300 annually for his veterinary care until his death. Motion was seconded by Thomas and all voted Aye.
  - B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BRAZORIA COUNTY FOR FIRST CAPITOL PARK WALKING TRAIL REPAIRS: Sutherland

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stated that the walking trail damage caused during the pond rehab did not fall under the category of "streets" and was considered a special project. The original estimated cost for the repair was in excess of \$16,000 but was reduced to \$8,183 plus any labor over \$10,000 after closer review of specifications. Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Biendenfeld to approve the repair of the walking trail under the terms of the interlocal agreement. All voted Aye.

- C. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REGULATIONS FOR GENERAL DEVELOPMENT: An original proposed zoning map and ordinance was distributed for council's review. Sutherland discussed meeting with developers that left the city in a difficult position to hold accountability without any zoning. Walker suggested appointing a committee to review documentation provided and submit input on revisions needed. It was recommended to appoint a new zoning board made up of members with appropriate education and expertise. Council was instructed to read all documentation distributed to them and to make notes of concerns and suggestions to be discussed in a future meeting. Walker and Maynor volunteered to serve on the committee. It was recommended that others participating should be the city manager, public works representative and city engineer. Workshops are to be held prior to adoption of new ordinance. Copy of proposed ordinance distributed is to be watermarked as "Draft" to clarify its intention and status. Kincannon appointed Walker as chairman of review committee. No other action taken.

11. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 7:32 P.M.

  
LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary