

STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
 CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
 OF A REGULAR MEETING
 MONDAY, MAY 12th, 2014

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 12th day of May 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, City Secretary Kuban and City Attorney Griggs.
 - Absent: None.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and Tindol thanked the city workers for their help with the San Jacinto Festival. Walker gave a report on the upcoming Columbia United. Kincannon presented the Employee of the Month award for the month of April to Chief Paul Odin and read a proclamation for Hurricane Awareness Week. Alderman Biedenfeld read a proclamation for Police Week and Alderman Walker read a proclamation for EMS Week.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Sam Stampert of 225 S. 13th Street read a statement in support of zoning.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported on the following – Update on Dixon Park concrete pads and picnic tables; Walking trail at First Capitol Park has been repaired; WCGSA hosted a Pixie tournament; Street resurfacing completed on 16th St. and Clay with other areas to start soon; Sidewalk project in progress at Hwy 36 & Business Hwy 35; CDBG projects of lift station rehabs at Dance, Tielke and Bacicia were submitted and they are now on a three year rotation instead of two. Funding will be \$180,000; Budget workshop will be May 19th; City offices will be closed for Memorial Day. Mayor Kincannon thanked the city crew for cleaning the Capitol of Texas Park and Alderman Tindol thanked them for their help with the San Jacinto Festival.
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. DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION REPORT – PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS & MOTT, LLC.: Attorney Mike Darlow gave a report of delinquent tax collection stating that there had been 89% collected through April. He discussed the break-down of various accounts by year and status. He concluded with a report of the court fine and fees collections.
9. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. CONSIDER PROPOSAL FOR 2014/15 ANNUAL AUDIT – KENNEMER, MASTERS & LUNSFORD, LLC.: Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Thomas to authorize

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Mayor's signature on engagement agreement with Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford to conduct the city's 2014/15 audit. All voted Aye.

- B. CONSIDER HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX ADVISORY BOARD'S FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS: Motion was made by Walker, seconded by Tindol to approve Chamber funding of \$598.28 for phone and mailing expense and other tourism expenses; Museum funding of \$1,094.20 for advertising and historical preservation expenses; and City funding of \$3,579.43 for advertising and tourism expenses. All voted Aye.
- C. REPORT FROM MAYOR'S COUNCIL ON GENERAL DEVELOPMENT: Walker gave a report on committee meeting and copies of proposed ordinance was distributed. He challenged council to read the document and hold workshops for any suggested revisions prior to forwarding to city attorney for drafting of ordinance. No action necessary.
- D. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DEED RESTRICTIONS: Sutherland discussed the option or need to adopt an interim ordinance regarding deed restrictions where the city would be the enforcer in the absence of a homeowners association. Zoning would take away the deed restriction authorization and supersedes the deed restrictions. Violations for past years would not be suddenly enforced by the private citizen. It was suggested to insert a section stating that the ordinance overrules any former deed violations. Ordinance would give the city a voice. Chief Odin questioned who would be the ultimate authority over violations. Walker stated that an appeal process would be necessary without going to council and made a motion to ask attorney to draft an ordinance authorizing city manager to invoke authority over deed restrictions when there is no homeowners association. Biedenfeld seconded motion. All voted Aye.
- E. CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BRAZORIA COUNTY CONCERNING THE REGULATIONS OF SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY: Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve the amended interlocal agreement on regulating the subdivision of property. All voted Aye.
- F. CONSIDER 2013/14 BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1: Sutherland reported that a budget adjustment was being requested for appropriate allotment for raises, updates for budgeting purposes, etc. Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve 2013/14 Budget Amendment No. 1. All voted Aye.
10. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.


 LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:



 KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary