

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BRAZORIA
CITY OF WEST COLUMBIA

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2015

The City Council of the City of West Columbia, Texas, convenes this the 13th day of October 2015, 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 Tindol, Maynor, Walker and Biedenfeld.
City Manager Sutherland, City Secretary Kuban and City Attorney Griggs.
Absent: Alderman Thomas.
3. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GREETINGS AND PRESENTATIONS: Kincannon greeted everyone and presented Proclamations to retired educators Anice Finley, Paula Raeke, Sally Norris and Anne Carpenter in honor of Alpha Delta Kappa Month and to Melissa Fischera and Melanie Getty in honor of National Friends of the Library Week.
4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Sam Stamport of Columbia Blooms presented the city with a plaque received from America in Bloom honoring the community's heritage preservation. David Verzwylt of 134 S. 11th addressed council regarding his concerns over a proposed hotel being located on the corner of S. 11th and Hwy. 35 and stated that no one in the neighborhood had been notified. Donna Ramirez of 146 S. 11th also voiced her concerns and requested to view the Residential Protection Ordinance. Council noted their concerns but stated the stipulations of the open meetings act and why a response could not be made under the citizens comment segment. No other comments or requests were made.
5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Sutherland reported on the following – Parks and Recreation board hosted another successful First Capitol Festival and EMT Preston Conn was awarded the Hometown Hero award. They will be preparing for their annual Trick or Treat in the Park on Halloween; Well No. 4 status is waiting on TCEQ approval before issuing the Notice to Proceed; MetroStudy has begun the housing study and has a workshop scheduled with the EDC for October 19th that council was invited to attend; Auditors completed their interim field work and will do the final audit in December; Columbia Blooms evaluation report was discussed; Two new police vehicles are due for delivery at the end of the month. Harris County purchased the stock of light bars delaying the equipment installation; New street sign installation is 90% complete and more are being ordered for the next area.
6. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S).
 - B. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. Report was 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. Report was submitted in Council packet.
 - 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.
 - I. CONSIDER DESIGNATION OF CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

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Motion was made by Tindol, seconded by Biedenfeld to approve all consent agenda items including the adoption of Resolution No. 458 designating the Brazoria County News and the city's official newspaper. All voted Aye.

7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: There were none.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

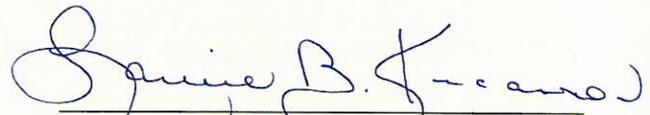
- A. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR UTILITY ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENT – MS. SARA WEEMS: Motion was made by Walker to adjust water and sewer only to \$86.90. Tindol seconded motion and all voted Aye.
- B. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR UTILITY ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENT – MR. MICHAEL ONDRAS: Motion was made by Walker to adjust water and sewer only to \$56.07. Tindol seconded motion and all voted Aye.
- C. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADDING AUSTIN ST. TO AREAS DESIGNATED FOR MOBILE HOMES: Ms. Andrea Garcia had requested this be considered by council during public comment segment of the September meeting. Walker stated he had driven the area and has requested that code enforcement be addressed. Ms. Garcia reported that she had other plans in place anticipating denial of her request. Walker made motion to deny a variance and Tindol seconded motion. Walker then amended his motion to deny variance to deny adding Austin Street to areas designated for mobile homes. Biedenfeld seconded motion with all voting Aye.
- D. CONSIDER RESOLUTION DESIGNATING H-GAC REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE: Motion was made by Walker to appoint Biedenfeld as H-GAC representative and Maynor as alternate. Maynor seconded the motion and all voted Aye.
- E. BONSDER BID FOR TAX RESALE PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOGGINS S/D TR 4G (A0040 JH BELL DIV 2)(WEST COLUMBIA), LOT 28H, CAUSE NO. 12388*T00, ACRES 4.408, WEST COLUMBIA, HIGHWAY 35 BY ANDREW G. SHEBAY: Motion was made by Walker to accept Mr. Shebay's bid offer of \$7,370.00 and Tindol seconded the motion. All voted Aye.
- F. CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 617 MOBILE HOME AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS: Kincannon recused herself from discussion by filing a conflict of interest affidavit and Mayor Pro-Tem Biedenfeld led the discussion. City inspector Terry Elliott reported on the issue of the ordinance requiring a bathroom/shower facility every 200 feet within an RV park. Staff feels this is excessive as each RV has its own facilities. After discussion of bathroom/shower facility requirements, it was suggested that an amendment instead of a variance was needed and that there should be a one lavatory/one shower within 400 feet for every 100 sites, two lavatories/showers minimum. Walker made motion to instruct the city attorney to draft an amendment to allow for a deviation from 200' to 400'. Tindol seconded the motion and all voted Aye.
- G. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER VARIANCE TO ORDINANCE 617 MOBILE HOME AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARKS – WC RV & COTTAGE RESORT, N. 13TH STREET: Tindol recommended this item be tabled, so no action was necessary.
- H. CLOSED MEETING: THE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN A CLOSED SESSION OR A CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551 ENTITLED "OPEN MEETINGS" OF A TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AS FOLLOWS: PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE TO

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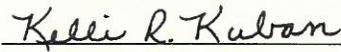
CONSULT WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL: Kincannon closed the open meeting at 8:12 p.m. and council entered into a closed meeting. Kincannon reconvened the open meeting at 9:10 p.m.

- I. ACTION AS A RESULT OF A CLOSED MEETING: Walker made a motion to adjust the Police Chief's pay rate at the city manager's suggestion to \$72,800 per annum. Biedenfeld seconded the motion and all voted Aye. Walker then made a motion to adjust the city manager's pay rate by an increase of \$7380 per annum. Biedenfeld seconded the motion and all voted Aye.
10. ADJOURN: Mayor Kincannon adjourned the meeting at 9:15 P.M.



LAURIE B. KINCANNON, Mayor

ATTEST:


KELLI R. KUBAN, City Secretary