



City of Farmers Branch

City Hall
13000 Wm. Dodson Pkwy.
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

Study Session Meeting to be held at 4:00 PM in the Study Session Room

A. STUDY SESSION

Mayor Glancy called the Study Session Meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Absent: 1 - Council Member Ben Robinson

Presiding: 1 - Mayor William P. Glancy

Present: 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Fuller, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Kirk Connally, Council Member Harold Froehlich and Council Member Ana Reyes

Staff: 15 - Gary D. Greer City Manager, Peter G. Smith City Attorney, Charles Cox Managing Director - Administration, John Land Managing Director - Operations, Angela Kelly City Secretary, Tom Bryson Communications Director, Allison Cook Economic Development Manager, Sidney Fuller Police Chief, Jeff Harting Parks & Recreation Director, Rachael Johnson Assistant to the City Manager, Kevin Muenchow Fleet & Facilities Director, Jim Olk Community Services Director, Steve Parker Fire Chief, Mark Samuels Information Services Director and Randy Walhood Public Works Director

A.1 **Discuss regular City Council meeting agenda items.**

No items were discussed.

Council Member Froehlich requested a future agenda item to discuss paving of alleys. City Manager Gary D. Greer reported he recently met with City Administration on this and stated this will be on an upcoming agenda.

A.2 **Receive a presentation of the regulations regarding political signs.**

Building Official Jim Olk gave an update regarding political signs, which included state law information, sign ordinance information, placement of signs, public property/private property, simple standards, enforcement, and recent legislation. The consensus of the City Council is to leave the regulations as is.

The Study Session Meeting ended at 4:33 p.m.

B. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Glancy called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally gave the Invocation and Council Member Reyes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. CEREMONIAL ITEMS**C.1 Presentation of Platinum Leadership Circle Award for Financial Transparency by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.**

On behalf of the City, Managing Director Charles Cox received the Platinum Leadership Circle Award for Financial Transparency by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

C.2 Consider proclaiming May 2014 as Older Americans Month in Farmers Branch and take appropriate action.

Mayor Glancy presented a proclamation celebrating May as Older Americans Month to Katie Roberts, Chairperson of the Senior Advisory Board. Members of the Senior Advisory Board were also in attendance.

D. REPORT ON STUDY SESSION ITEMS

Council Member Froehlich reported on the following:
Political Sign Regulations - City Administration gave an update regarding political signs, which included state law information, sign ordinance information, placement of signs, public property/private property, simple standards, enforcement, and recent legislation. The consensus of the City Council is to leave the regulations as is.

E. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Council Member Froehlich reported early voting ends today; election day is May 10, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Glancy reported he heard what a great Fishin' Fun event was held this past weekend.

Topics reported for the City Manager's Report included:
Liberty Fest presents Stars and Strings - to be held on Saturday, May 24 at the Historical Park featuring the Dallas Symphony Orchestra; gates open at 6:30 p.m., free admission, food trucks, beer and wine, bounce houses and face painting with a spectacular fireworks finale

Star Party - May 6 at the Historical Park; volunteers for the Texas Astronomical Society with high-powered telescopes will be in attendance; free admission, event is from dusk until around 9:00 p.m.

Rabid Wild Animals - there have been 2 confirmed cases in the past few weeks; all residents are encouraged to avoid contact with wild animals; be sure all pets are up to date on rabies vaccinations

Election Day - will be Saturday, May 10, 2014 from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.; election information is available on the City's website; also available is a utility to find precinct number and polling locations by address; unofficial results will be posted on City media Saturday night as it becomes available

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day; the Community Recreation Center and Historical Park are the only facilities open, which will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; no garbage collection on Memorial Day

F. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one wished to speak.

G. CONSENT AGENDA**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Fuller, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally, to approve Consent Agenda Items G.1 through G.3. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Fuller, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally, Council Member Froehlich and Council Member Reyes

G.1 Consider approval of minutes of the City Council meeting held on April 15, 2014 and take appropriate action.

The Minutes were approved.

G.2 Consider approving Resolution No. 2014-035 authorizing the submission of an application to Dallas County for the 2014 Fiscal Year of the Dallas County Community Development Block Grant project and take appropriate action.

This Resolution was approved.

G.3 Discuss and consider amending the incentive package for Centurion American Development Group and take appropriate action.

This Agreement was approved.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Public Hearing items on the agenda.

I. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**I.1 Receive a presentation from Time Warner Cable regarding cable services in Farmers Branch.**

Mr. Steve Dboskin of Time Warner Cable were present to give a brief update on services offered in Farmers Branch. Services included video, internet, phone, and home security - intelligent home.

I.2 Consider approving Resolution No. 2014-030 awarding a unit price contract for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Street Resurfacing Project to Jim Bowman Construction Company, LP; and take appropriate action.

Director of Public Works Randy Walhood reported the project includes Templeton Trail from Valley View to Myra, Golfing Green from Josey to Longmeade, Montvale from Josey to Brandywine and Apple Valley from Pebble Beach to the south end.

A motion was made by Council Member Reyes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Fuller, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally, Council Member Froehlich and Council Member Reyes

I.3

Consider approving Resolution No. 2014-036 authorizing execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement for the residence located at 2711 Mount View and take appropriate action.

Economic Development Manager Allison Cook reported the project includes demolition and construction of a new single-family detached residential dwelling. The current improvement value is approximately \$27,980 and the estimated value of the new dwelling will be \$290,000.

Council Member Froehlich requested an aerial map also be included in the back up information.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No items were discussed.

L. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Froehlich, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fuller, that this Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Mayor Pro Tem Fuller, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Connally, Council Member Froehlich and Council Member Reyes

The Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

William P. Glancy

ATTEST

Angela Kelly, City Secretary