



Minutes - Final  
City Council

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Tuesday, April 2, 2013

4:30 PM

Council Chambers

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**Call to Order**

**Mayor England called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.**

- Present** 6 -  
Mayor Charles England; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jim Swafford and Council Member Bill Thorn
- Absent** 1 -  
Council Member Richard Fregoe

**Staff Presentations**

- 1** Susan Young, District Director, and Ann-Marie Craig, Constituent Services Liaison, to State Senator Kelly Hancock
- Susan Young, District Director for State Senator Kelly Hancock, introduced herself and Ann Marie Craig, Constituent Services Liaison, and stated that she just wanted to introduce themselves and offer the Senator's assistance to the city.*
- Presented**
- 2** Honorable Mention Award from United Health Care for the City's Wellness Program - Presented by Lisa Norris, Human Resources Director
- Curt Hursh, Vice President of North Texas Account Management, with United Health Care, introduced Mike Lynn, Mike Kohl, Mary Ann Michael and Ashley Land (Onsite Wellness Program Manager) and presented an Honorable Mention Award to the city for the city's Wellness Program. He said they had received 97 applications from across the country and there were three winners in Texas. Ms. Land introduced members of the city's Wellness Committee.*
- Presented**
- 3** 2013 West Nile Virus Action Plan - Presented by Cindy Mendez, Environmental Quality Manager
- Cindy Mendez, Environmental Quality Manager, referred to agenda item 20 (amending the CIP budget for vector control activities). She said there were 405 human cases of West Nile fever in Dallas County in 2012 and 19 deaths. In Tarrant County there were 263 cases and 10 deaths. Ms. Mendez said there was a sharp spike in cases in 2012 because of a number of factors including a mild winter, heavy spring rainfall, and high temperatures. The 2013 plan is based on recommendations from the Center for Disease Control. The plan calls for an increased number of trapping sites; added dead bird surveillance; survey/treat the storm drainage system; treat neglected swimming pools; and evaluate mosquito resistance to pesticides.*

*The plan has an integrated pest management plan; education; surveillance; biological controls; and responsible pesticide usage. Some additional measures that were used in 2012 included: sent postcards to residential pool owners; additional marketing, reverse 911 notification; an email blast; and frac pond surveillance. Some additional 2013 controls include: treat storm drains with larvicide; additional public education; increase surveillance and larviciding activity; additional mosquito trapping; additional mosquito surveillance at detention/retention ponds. Ms. Mendez said the budget amendment provides funding to meet the recommendations of the CDC.*

*Council Member Shotwell asked if Environmental Services would be more aggressive in following up and just treating pools if the owner does not maintain the pool. Ms. Mendez said the city always treats the pools when they are not being taken care of. She said it is a difficult situation for some of those who are not maintaining the pool because they cannot afford it. Council Member Shotwell asked if the city would be aggressive and tell the homeowner that we are going to treat it. Jim Cummings, Environmental Services Director, said the department treats them right away and many are at abandoned houses. Mr. Cummings said a warrant can be obtained from a judge to allow treatment of pools when a homeowner refuses to properly maintain them.*

#### **Presented**

### **Agenda Review**

*Discussion took place about parallel parking at the Farmers Market and whether or not head in parking should be changed at this location to parallel parking because of limited parking at the Farmers Market. City Manager Tom Hart said that at one time he had discussed with the church that the city would pave the sand volleyball parking lot and have a shared use agreement for additional parking. He added that the parking configuration on Church Street in front of the new subcourthouse will be changed to add head in parking.*

### **Executive Session**

*Mayor England convened an executive session at 5:03 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Government Code, V.T.C.A., Section 551.072 "Deliberation Regarding Real Property" and Section 551.087 "Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations". The executive session was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.*

### **Recess Meeting**

**Mayor England recessed the meeting at 5:30 p.m.**

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### **6:30 PM Council Chambers**

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**Mayor England reconvened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.**

**Will Morris, Youth and Family Minister, Crosspoint Church of Christ, gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to US Flag and to the Texas Flag was led by Council Member Bill Thorn.**

### **Presentations**

**4** Recognition of South Grand Prairie High School Basketball Team

*Council Member Swafford stated he was honored to recognize the South Grand Prairie High School boys basketball team for their outstanding season. He recognized Dr. Susan Hull, School Superintendent, and Donna Grant, South Grand Prairie High School Principal. Mr. Swafford said Coach Bennett set a goal during his first four years of coaching at SGPHS to win a state championship. The team has had a winning record every year under Coach Bennett.*

*Coach Bennett thanked everyone for their support and gave credit to the principal, superintendent and assistant coaches for their assistance in making the team as successful as they had been. Mayor England and Council Member Swafford presented certificates to each of the team members, assistant coaches and managers. Council Member Swafford then read a proclamation honoring Coach Bennett.*

**Presented**

**5** Eagle Scout Award - Alex Charles Gordon

*Mayor England read and presented a certificate to Alex Charles Gordon for receiving the Eagle Scout Award.*

**Presented**

**6** Employee of the Month - Darwin Wade, Housing and Neighborhood Services

*Bill Hills, Housing and Neighborhood Services Director, introduced Darwin Wade, Employee of the Month for April. Mr. Hart presented Mr. Wade with an engraved clock and thanked him for his dedication to his department and to the city.*

**Presented**

## **Consent Agenda**

**Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson moved, seconded by Council Member Swafford, to approve Items 7 through 20 on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**

**7** Minutes of the March 19, 2013 Meeting

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

**8** Agreement with Dallas Area Agency on Aging for \$116,529 as a reimbursable meal & transportation program

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 9 Renewal #1 for a Price Agreement for Water Analysis Chemicals & Supplies, with USA Bluebook, at an estimated annual cost of \$18,709 for a total of \$93,545 if all renewal options are exercised. Authorize the City Manager to execute any additional renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal term(s).

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 10 Award a contract in the amount of \$163,455 to Smith Pump Company to provide all labor, equipment, materials, professional services and incidentals required to complete the referenced project located at Well 26, 5021 Red Oak Dr., Grand Prairie, Tx 75052

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 11 Contract with Site Landscape Development for landscape maintenance (\$167,164.89) in Lake Parks PID (Council District 6)

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 12 Renewal #1 for a Price Agreement for Grass Sod and Seed, with King Ranch Turfgrass LP, Justin Seed, Excel Garden Products and John Deere Landscape, at an estimated annual cost of \$20,000 for a total of \$100,000 if all renewal options are exercised. Authorize the City Manager to execute any additional renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal term(s).

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 13 Allow Increase of Municipal Telecommunications Right-of-Way Access Line Rates

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 14 Renewal #2 for a Price Agreement for Pest Control Services, with Prime Pest Management, at an estimated annual cost of \$12,661 for a total of \$62,385 if all renewal options are exercised. Authorize the City Manager to execute any additional renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal term(s).

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 15 Engineering Services Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to

prepare plans and specifications for the installation of Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras and arterial directional Changeable Message Signs (CMS) at various locations in an amount of \$69,706 plus a 5% contingency of \$3,485 for a total amount of \$73,191 and \$3,900 for staff costs of reviewing the plans

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 16** Contract for hazardous materials response services from TAS Environmental for one year in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 with the option to renew for ---four additional one year periods totaling \$225,000, if all extensions are exercised and authorize the City Manager to execute the renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal terms.

**Approved on the Consent Agenda**

- 17** Resolution designating this project as a reinvestment zone and granting Printpack, Inc. a 50% / 7-year partial tax abatement on added business personal property

**Adopted**

Enactment No: RES 4612-2013

- 18** Ordinance amending the Traffic Register to establish recommended speed limits for Lynn Creek / Mildred Walker Pkwy

**Adopted**

Enactment No: ORD 9516-2013

- 19** Ordinance amending the FY 2012/2013 Capital Improvement Projects Budget and award of a construction contract to North Rock Construction, in the amount of \$508,461.74, and appropriate an additional 5% contingency of \$25,423.08, for a total appropriation of \$533,884.82 for the Jefferson Street Bridge #2 Rehabilitation.

**Adopted**

Enactment No: ORD 9517-2013

- 20** Ordinance amending the 2012-2013 Capital Improvement Projects Budget in the amount of \$137,822 for Vector Control activities

**Adopted**

Enactment No: ORD 9518-2013

**Citizen Comments**

*There were no citizen comments.*

**Adjournment**

**Mayor England adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

*The foregoing minutes were approved at the April 16, 2013 Council Meeting.*

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*Catherine E. DiMaggio, City Secretary*