

CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2010
7:00 PM

The City Council of the City of Converse met in a special meeting at the City Hall Conference Room No. 1 at 405 South Seguin Street on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7:00 PM to discuss various items on the agenda. The following were present:

Mayor Al Suarez	Mayor Pro Tem Carlton Degenhardt, Place 4
Councilwoman Renee Paschall, Place 1	Councilman Bruce Cannon, Place 2
Councilman Jon Lindgren, Place 5	Councilwoman Mary Riley, Place 6
Mr. Sam Hughes, City Manager	Mr. Mark Luft, EDC Executive Director
Mr. Ray Ortiz, City Attorney	Ms. Penny Hieronymus, City Secretary

1. Call to Order

At approximately 7:00 PM, Mayor Suarez called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Suarez stated all Council members were present with the exception of Councilman Shadron, who was ill this evening.

3. City Council Workshop to Discuss a Proposal for Commercial Economic Development (Mayor Suarez/City Manager/EDC Director)

Mr. Hughes stated the EDC has hired a company to do a study & to see where the town will be headed & to identify a partner. So, we have the results of the study & a presentation on what could be possible & begin the process on how to get there.

Mr. Luft stated what CC will hear in Executive Session is an opportunity to get input. He provided some information that came from the City web site. Mr. Luft introduced the guests: Ms. Lynn Blakely, Ms. Marsha Hendler, Mr. Efraim Abramoff & Mr. Lenny Feiner.

4. Executive Session in Accordance with Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations; Closed Meeting. This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting: (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to

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have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or; (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision.

At approximately 7:05 PM, Mayor Suarez opened the Executive Session.

Attendees: Mayor Suarez, MPT Degenhardt, Councilwomen Paschall & Riley, Councilmen Cannon & Lindgren, Mr. Sam Hughes, Mr. Mark Luft, Mr. Ray Ortiz, Ms. Blakely, Ms. Hendler, Mr. Abramoff and Mr. Feiner.

At approximately 7:58 PM, Mayor Suarez closed the Executive Session.

5. Reconvene

At approximately 7:59 PM, Mayor Suarez called the meeting back to order.

6. Adjournment

At approximately 8:01 PM, Mayor Suarez adjourned the meeting.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 2010.

Al Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Adriana I. Hieronymus, City Secretary