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MINUTES
AGENDA
CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2015 – 7:00 PM

Be It Known That the City Council of the City Of Converse Will Meet for a Regular Meeting at the City Council Chambers at 402 South Seguin Street on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 7:00 PM. A quorum of the following commissions may be present: Beautification & Environmental, Building & Standards, Economic Development Corporation, Park and Recreation and Planning and Zoning.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** To the U.S. Flag led by Mayor Suarez
To the Texas Flag led by Mayor Suarez

4. ROLL CALL & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM & RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Al Suarez

Councilwoman Renee Paschall, Place 2

Councilwoman Deborah James, Place 3

Councilman Rick Davis, Place 5

Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Lindgren, Place 4

Councilman Steve Brown, Place 6

Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager

Ms. Le Ann Piatt, Assistant City Manager

Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary

Absent: Councilwoman Kathy Richel, Place 1

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve Amended Minutes of City Council Meeting of January 20, 2015.
- B. Approve Amended Minutes of City Council Meeting of February 3, 2015.
- C. Accept Minutes of the Ethics Review Board Meeting of January 5, 2015.
- D. Accept Minutes of the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting of December 15, 2014.

5C- Councilwoman Paschall asked who the Chair and Vice Chair of the Ethics Review Board are.

- Ms. Nagy confirmed that Mr. Jim Sherman is Chair and Ms. Robin Benbrook is Vice Chair.

- Councilwoman James asked why the roll call isn't listed on the Ethic Review Board minutes. Ms. Nagy stated it was an oversight that will be corrected in the future.

5B - Councilman Brown - regarding Item 10 A- JISD Property.

-Councilman Brown stated that he suggested an environmental study not a survey. (Ms. Nagy confirmed with the meeting audio Councilman Brown's motion did not include a survey. Acceptance of minutes will be at the March 3, 2015 Council meeting.)

-MPT Lindgren stated that on Item D, Items 7 & 14 on the Planning and Zoning Agenda, the Commission voted on an item regarding recommended changes to a city ordinance for lot sizes. MPT Lindgren requests a formal ordinance amendment be brought to City Council, with a representative from Planning and Zoning present for questions.

Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to approve Items A & D; Councilwoman James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

6. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

This time is provided for Citizens to address City Council on any issues and concerns. No City Council discussion or action can be taken if the item is not on the Agenda. Please limit your remarks to three (3) minutes and state your name and address for the record. No personal attacks shall be allowed.

7. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

- A. Recognition of Craig Ramon, Fire Captain, for his Ten Years (10) of Service to the City of Converse. (Mayor Suarez)

- Craig Ramon received a certificate and a city coin for his 10 year recognition.

Any item on this posted agenda could be discussed in executive session as long as it is within one of the permitted categories under section 551.071 through 551.076 and section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve Ordinance No. 401J-2015 Amending School Zone Speed Limits. (Second Reading) (City Manager)

- MPT Lindgren made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 401J-2015, Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve Resolution No. 690-2015 C Amending the 2014/2015 Budget to purchase Holiday Decorations. (Councilwoman James)

- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to approve Resolution No. 690-2015C; Councilman Brown seconded the motion, with Mayor Suarez, MPT Lindgren, and Councilman Davis against. Tie vote. The motion failed. (3:3)

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Accept the Calendar Year 2014 Racial Profiling Report. (City Manager)

- No action required.

- C. Discussion and Appropriate Action to approve Resolution No. 690-2015 B Amending the 2014/2015 Budget to construct a Sidewalk adjacent to the San Antonio River Authority's water treatment plant. (City Manager)
- Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Resolution No. 690-2015 B. Councilwoman James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*
- D. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Amend Ordinance No. 734-2015 Hand-held Mobile Communication Devices. (First Reading) (Councilwoman James)
- No action taken. MPT Lindgren requested a clean Ordinance in the proper format be presented at a later meeting.*
- Mr. Lambert suggested setting up a public hearing to get resident input. Councilwoman James agreed.*
- E. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve Resolution No. 717-2015 Approving the Converse Economic Development Corporation's Infrastructure Improvement Project and to Expend Funds. (City Manager)
- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to Approve Resolution No. 717-2015; Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*
- F. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve City Participation in Infrastructure Improvement Project and to Expend Funds. (City Manager)
- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to approve city participation in the Infrastructure Improvement Project and to expend funds; MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*
- G. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve Resolution No. 690-2015D Budget Amendment. (Water Impact Fees) (City Manager)
- Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Resolution No. 690-2015D; Councilwoman Paschall seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*
- H. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Award the Request for Application and Bank Depository Agreement. (City Manager)
- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to award the RFA and Bank Depository Agreement to TexStar Bank. Councilwoman James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*
- I. Discussion and Appropriate Action Amending Ordinance No. 401-2015A Section 44-218 Prohibited Parking. (First Reading) (City Manager)
- Councilwoman James made a motion to approve amendment to Ordinance No. 401-2015A Section 44-218; Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*

- J. Discussion and Appropriate Action to appoint a new Planning & Zoning Commission member. (Councilman Davis)

- Councilman Davis made a motion to appoint Joseph Guastella as a member and Irvin Hallowell as an alternate member to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilwoman James seconded the motion. The motion passed with MPT Lindgren against. (5:1)

- K. Discussion and Appropriate Action to appoint new Members for Parks & Recreation Commission. (Councilwoman James)

- Councilwoman James made a motion to appoint the following as members of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

- Mr. Leon Stubbs*
- Ms. Tulita Harris*
- Mr. Sam Perez*

Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- L. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Appoint a Chair for Parks and Recreation Commission. (Councilwoman James)

- Councilwoman James made a nomination to appoint Mr. Rodger Dennes as the Chair for the Parks and Recreation Commission; Councilwoman Paschall seconded the nomination.

- Councilman Brown made a motion amending the original motion to table the item and let Parks and Recreation submit a recommendation for who they would like to see as Chair. MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- M. Discussion and Appropriate action regarding appropriate process to bid on all contracts and/or vendors with Converse, 5 years or more. (Councilwoman Paschall)

- No action. A new policy will be brought back at a later meeting date.

- N. Discussion and Appropriate Action on different options for purchasing a new street sweeper. (City Manager)

- No action required. Options will be brought back at a later meeting date.

- O. Discussion of the Financial and Investment Report as of December 2014. (City Manager)

- No action required.

10. CITY COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS:

- A. City Commission Liaison Reports.
- B. City Manager's Report & Discussion of Future Agenda Items/Items of Interest.
- C. Councilmember's Reports/Items of Interest.
- D. Mayor's Report/Items of Interest.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

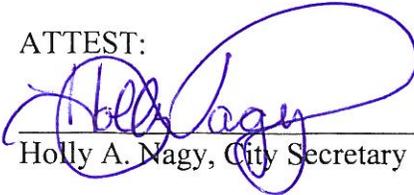
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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015.



Al Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary