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MINUTES
CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 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, March 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** 7:05 PM

2. **INVOCATION**

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

-ROTC Honor Guard.

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

Mayor Al Suarez

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Lindgren, Place 4

Councilwoman Renee Paschall, Place 2

Councilman Rick Davis, Place 5

Ms. Le Ann Piatt, Assistant City Manager

Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney

Councilman Steve Brown, Place 6

Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager

Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary

Absent: Councilwoman Deborah James, Place 3

Councilwoman Kathy Richel, Place 1

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of March 3, 2015.

*- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to approve the March 3, 2015 meeting minutes.
Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.*

6. **SPECIAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS:**

- A. 2015 State of the City Address. (Mayor Suarez)

- B. Recognition of Special Visitors.

- Mr. Jose Mendez, State Representative

- Dr. Carl Mentoya, JISD Superintendent

- Lt. Colonel Robin Baldwin, JBSA

- Mr. Dwayne Robinson, Representative from Bexar County Judge Wolff's office.

15 Minute Recess

7. 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.

7:55 PM

8. CITY STAFF REPORTS:

- A. Report by Executive Director of Converse Economic Development Corporation, Kate Silvas
- B. Report by Director of Community Development, John Quintanilla
- C. Report by Director of City Library, Derika Bailey
- D. Report by Police Chief, Rick Jamison
- E. Report by Director of Human Resources, John Rudd
- F. Report by Fire Chief, Richard Wendt
- G. Report by City Engineer, Bob Browning
- H. Report by Director of Utilities, Lupe Perez

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.

9. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Public Hearing on amending Municipal Code Chapter 44 Sections 291-293 regarding cell phone usage while driving within city limits.

Open: 8:20 PM

Closed: 8:31 PM

-Ms. Joan Lindgren - In favor

-Mr. Jeff Beehler - Against

-Mr. Robert Raney - Against

-Mr. Tajan Poran - In favor

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the FY 2014 City of Converse and Converse Economic Development Corporation Audits.

- Councilman Brown made a motion to accept the FY 2014 Audits for City of Converse and the Economic Development Corporation. MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- B. Discussion of the Financial and Investment Report as of January 2015.

C. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Amend Chapter 8 – Buildings and Building Regulations.

- No Action.

D. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve the Mutual Aid Law Enforcement Agreement.

- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to approve the Mutual Aid Law Enforcement Agreement. Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

E. Discussion & Appropriate Action to appoint Leon Stubbs as Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Commission.

- Councilwoman Paschall made a motion to appoint Mr. Stubbs as Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission. MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

F. Discussion and Appropriate Action on amending Municipal Code Chapter 44 Sections 291-293 regarding cell phone usage while driving within city limits.

*- Councilman Brown made a motion to move forward with Ordinance development.
- Motion died due to lack of second.*

G. Discussion and Appropriate Action Adopting Resolution 719-2015, A Resolution by the City Council of the City of Converse Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Governmental Lease/Purchase Agreement With BB&T Governmental Finance for the Purchase of two Ambulances.

- Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Resolution 719-2015. Councilwoman Paschall seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

H. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding Offer Letter from TXDOT for Property of the FM 1516 Project and Authorizing the Mayor to execute related documents.

- MPT Lindgren made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute related documents pertaining to the offer made by TxDOT for the FM 1516 Project. Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

I. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Two -Year Water Purchase Contract with Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA) and Authorization to Negotiate with CRWA on a long-term Water Supply Agreement.

- No Action. Tabled.

J. Discussion and Appropriate Action Appointing Two Members to the Canyon Regional Water Authority Board of Trustees and One Member to the Board of Managers.

- No Action. Tabled.

11. CITY COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS:

- A. City Commission Liaison Reports (P&Z, P&R, B&S, Ord. Committee)
- 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.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. Discussion regarding proposed leasing of properties located at 1604, Coppergate Road, 8316 Seguin Road, F.M. 78, Converse Center Street, and 8026 Kitty Hawk.

- Entered: 10:06 PM.

13. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. Discussion regarding proposed leasing of properties located at 1604, Coppergate Road, 8316 Seguin Road, F.M. 78, Converse Center Street, and 8026 Kitty Hawk.

- Exit: 10:33 PM.

- CM Lambert stated that the city staff will continue to investigate the obligations the City has to existing signs and to investigate regulations the city has in regards to height and setbacks.

- Mayor Suarez asked for clarification on hours of advertising offered to City. Mayor Suarez stated there is concern regarding negotiation of airtime.

- Councilman Brown suggested 250 Hours- Mr. Green Owner of Green Outdoor Advertising was agreeable.

- Mayor Suarez stated there are 3 locations approved and a variance will be granted for these locations.

- 1604 Coppergate

- FM 78 near Wal-Mart

- Kitty Hawk Road

- Mayor Suarez stated the item will be on the Agenda for the April 7, 2015 City Council meeting for action.

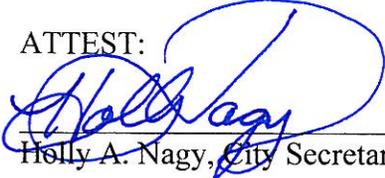
- Councilman Brown made a motion to request action be taken at the next meeting and that the City Manager, City Staff and City Attorney review the contract that the City has with Clear Channel for any conflicts and receive 250 hours per sign face for the three approved locations. Councilwoman Paschall seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

14. ADJOURNMENT

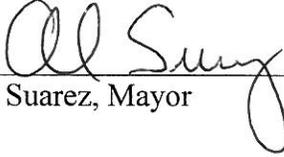
10:39 PM.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

ATTEST:



Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary



Al Suarez, Mayor