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MINUTES
CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 16, 2015 – 7:00 PM

Be It Known That the City Council of the City Of Converse met for a Regular Meeting at the City Council Chambers at 402 South Seguin Street on Tuesday, June 16, 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

-7:02 PM

2. INVOCATION

- Led by Mr. John Quintanilla, Director of Community Development

- 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 Kathy Richel, Place 1
Councilman Rick Davis, Place 5
Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager
Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary*

*Mayor Pro Tem Jon Lindgren, Place 4
Councilman Steve Brown, Place 6
Ms. Le Ann Piatt, Assistant City Manager
Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney*

*Absent: Councilwoman Deborah James, Place 3
Visitor: Ms. Gerrie Spellman, Principal, Copperfield Elementary School, JISD.*

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of May 19, 2015
- B. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of June 2, 2015.
- C. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Amend Ordinance 339-2015B- Sewage Rates (Second Reading) (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Item 5 A-C; MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

6. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

- A. Recognition of Paul Bocconcelli, for his Twenty Years (20) of Service to the City of Converse Police Department. (Mayor Suarez)
- B. Recognition of Larry Moxley, Employee of the Month for May. (City Manager)
- C. Presentation by Gerrie Spellmann, Principal, Copperfield Elementary School, JISD. (Mayor Suarez)

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.

- Dr. Mary Riley- supports unifying branding.*
- Mr. Howie Marbach- supports unifying branding.*
- Mr. Dennis Foose- supports unifying branding.*
- Ms. Rosa Gary- supports unifying branding.*

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
- I. Report by Finance Director, Elizabeth Saegert

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. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Proposed Unifying Brand Developed by the Branding Stakeholders Committee for Use by the City of Converse. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the unified brand; Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Water Supply Contract with Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA) (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the water supply contract with Canyon Regional Water Authority with amendments as recommended by Mary Kelly, Esq. in her May 27, 2015 memo to CM Lambert; MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- C. Discussion and Appropriate action to recommend approval of Final Plat (No. 140) Cimarron Trail Subdivision Unit 1 (City Manager)

MPT Lindgren made a motion to approve Final Plat No. 140- Cimarron Trail Subdivision Unit 1. Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- D. Discussion on April and May Financial and Investment Reports. (City Manager)

- E. Approval of Ordinance #617-2015B revisions to Chapter 50, Article IV, Division II, R-1 Single Family Dwelling Districts and District Regulations, Section 50-137 Area Regulations (d) Rear-Yard [Setbacks](Second Reading) (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 617-2015B; Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- F. Discussion and Appropriate Action related to acceptance of a contract development of a Parks Master Plan. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to accept the contract development as proposed by UTSA for \$7,500 for a Parks Master Plan; MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- G. Discussion and Appropriate action to reappoint three members to the Economic Development Corporation Board. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to reappoint Ms. Rosa Gary, Mr. Rick Jamison and Mr. Dennis Foose to the Economic Development Corporation Board. Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- H. Discussion and Appropriate action to approve Chapter 2, Administration. (First Reading)(MPT Lindgren)

Deferred to the City Council Workshop on July 11, 2015.

- I. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Amend Ordinance 339-2015C- Utility Rates (First Reading) (City Manager)

MPT Lindgren made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 339-2015C, Councilman Brown seconded the motion. Councilwoman Richel abstained from voting. The motion passed.

- J. Discussion and Appropriate action to recommend approval of Final Plat (No. # 145) of Converse Town Square 2015 Subdivision Replat. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the final plat for Converse Town Square with amended Plat No. 153; MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- K. Discussion and Appropriate Action to appoint a new City Council member to fill the unexpired term of Council Place 2. (Mayor Suarez)

*Applicants: Robert Raney
Nancy Droneburg
Jeff Beehler
Reginal Harris (not present)
Marc Gilbert
Earl Boutelle
Irvin Hollowell (not present)
John Shadron*

Councilwoman Richel nominated Nancy Droneburg with Councilman Davis in favor and Mayor Suarez, Councilman Brown and MPT Lindgren against.

Councilman Brown nominated Jeff Beehler with Mayor Suarez and Councilmembers Richel and Brown in favor and Councilmember Davis and MPT Lindgren against.

Mr. Beehler was appointed Councilmember Place 2 with term ending in November 2016.

- L. Action to swear in newly appointed Councilmember, for remaining term of City Council Place 2. (Mayor Suarez)

Councilman Beehler was sworn in for City Council Place 2 with term ending in November 2016.

10. CITY COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS:

- A. City Commission Liaison Reports.
- B. City Manager's Report & Discussion of Future Agenda Items/Items of Interest.
- 2015 NIOC Contract – *City Manager will execute the 2015 NIOC contract.*
- C. Councilmember's Reports/Items of Interest.
- D. Mayor's Report/Items of Interest.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:31 PM

- A. Executive Session in Accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.072. DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. Van Norden Enterprises, LLC. (Mayor Suarez) (City Manager)
- B. Executive Session in Accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.072. DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. San Antonio River Authority (City Manager)

12. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:** 10:01 PM

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. Van Norden Enterprises, LLC. (Mayor Suarez) (City Manager)
CM Proposed accepting Donation

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve as agreed upon in Executive Session; MPT Lindgren amended the motion.

MPT Lindgren made a motion to accept the offer as offered by Van Norden Enterprises, Seconded by Councilman Beehler. The motion was unanimous.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Executive Session in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act § 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING. San Antonio River Authority. (City Manager)

- No action required.

13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

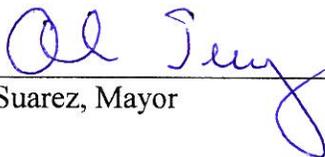
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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 7th DAY OF JULY, 2015.

ATTEST:



Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary



Al Suarez, Mayor

