



MINUTES
AGENDA
CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 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, September 15, 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:** *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 Jeff Beehler, Place 2

Councilwoman Deborah James, Place 3

Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager

Ms. Le Ann Piatt, Assistant City Manager

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Lindgren, Place 4

Councilman Rick Davis, Place 5

Councilman Steve Brown, Place 6

Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary

Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approve Amended Minutes of City Council Meeting of August 18, 2015.
- B. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of September 1, 2015.
- C. Approve final vacate and replat (No. 145) for Lott's Landing Subdivision located on FM 78 West of Crestway Road.
- D. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Amending Chapter 18 of the Converse Code of Ordinances- Environment. (Second Reading)
- E. Acceptance of the Ladd and Katherine Hancher Library Foundation Grant in the Amount of \$2,707.
- F. Approve Proclamation No. 303 in honor of James Mills for his accomplishment of the Royal Rangers Gold Medal Achievement Award. (Mayor Suarez)
- G. Approve Proclamation No. 304 in honor of James Thomas Wilson for his accomplishment of the Eagle Scout Award.

Councilman Beehler made a motion to approve Items 5 A-H. Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Presentation of Proclamation No. 303 in honor of James Mills for his accomplishment of the Royal Rangers Gold Medal Achievement Award. (Mayor Suarez)
- B. Presentation of Proclamation No. 304 in honor of James Thomas Wilson for his accomplishment of the Eagle Scout Award. (Mayor Suarez)
- C. Presentation of Proclamation No. 305 Lion's Club World Sight Day. (Councilman Brown)
- D. Recognition of Raymond Christian, Assistant Fire Chief, for his 15 Years of Service to the Converse Fire Department. (Mayor Suarez)
- E. Recognition of Paul Wilkes, Utility Service Worker, for his 5 Years of Service to the Converse Utility Department. (Mayor Suarez)
- F. Recognition of Alma Dominguez, as Employee of the Month for August. (City Manager)

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.

- Lupe Garza 9180 Shadow Creek Lane- Expressed concern regarding Item 10 H.

8. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Public Hearing on a Proposed Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget.

9. CITY STAFF REPORTS:

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

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 the Proposed Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget.

Open: 7:49 PM Closed: 7:50 PM

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Enter into a Joint Resolution Establishing the Bexar County Emergency Management Program.

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to enter into a joint resolution establishing the Bexar County Emergency Management Program. Councilman Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed was unanimous.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Award Bid for the Canyon Regional Water Authority (CRWA) Connection at Lower Seguin Interconnect.

- Councilman Brown made a motion to award the bid to Pesado Construction out of Schertz, Texas for \$172,000. MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- C. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Resolution No. 690-2015 A Resolution Providing the City of Converse Program of Services Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2015 and Ending September 30, 2016, by Approving and Setting Aside the Necessary Funds of the City of Converse for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the Maintenance and Operation of the Various Departments, Capital Projects, Payments to Debt Service; and for Various Activities and Improvement to the City.

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Resolution No. 690-2015. Councilwoman James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Brown, Beehler, Richel, James, Davis, MPT Lindgren and Mayor Suarez for. None against.

- D. Discussion and Appropriate Action to ratify the fact that the 2015-2016 budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year in compliance with Section 102.007, Texas Local Government Code. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to ratify the fact that the 2015-2016 budget will require raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year in compliance with Section 102.007, Texas Local Government Code. MPT Lindgren seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- E. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Resolution No. 691-2015 A Resolution of the City of Converse Levying the Maintenance and Operations Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year at a Rate of \$0.465097 per \$100 Assessed Valuation on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Converse. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to approve Resolution No. 691-2015 Levying the Maintenance and Operations Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year at a Rate of \$0.465097 per \$100 Assessed Valuation on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Converse. Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- F. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Resolution No. 692-2015 of the City Of Converse Levying the Interest and Sinking Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year at a Rate of \$0.075101 Per \$100 Assessed Valuation on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Converse. (City Manager)

Councilman Brown made a motion to Approve Resolution No. 692-2015 Levying the Interest and Sinking Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year at a Rate of \$0.075101 Per \$100 Assessed Valuation on All Taxable Property Within the Corporate Limits of the City of Converse.

- G. Discussion and Appropriate Action with regard to Resolution No. 690-2015E authorizing the Converse Economic Development Corporation FY 2016 Budget and Corporation Plan. (City Manager)

Councilwoman James made a motion to approve Resolution No. 690-2015E authorizing the Converse Economic Development Corporation FY 2016 Budget and Corporation Plan. Councilman Beehler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- H. Discussion and Appropriate Action regarding a Workers Compensation Claim Filed by a City Council Member. (Mayor Suarez)

No action taken.

11. CITY COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS:

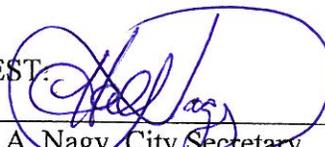
- A. City Commission Liaison Reports.
 - CRWA Liaison Report
 - Annual Report of the Building and Standards Commission.
- B. City Manager's Report & Discussion of Future Agenda Items/Items of Interest.
 - City Committee openings
- C. Councilmember's Reports/Items of Interest.
- D. Mayor's Report/Items of Interest.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

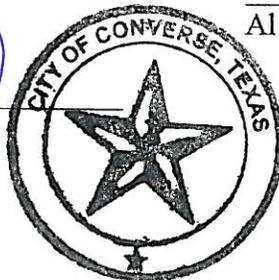
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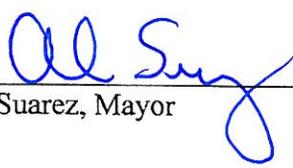
PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015.

ATTEST:



Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary





Al Suarez, Mayor