



MINUTES
CITY OF CONVERSE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2016 – 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 2, 2016 at 7:00 PM. A quorum of the following commissions may be present: Building & Standards, Economic Development Corporation, Parks and Environmental and Planning and Zoning.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 PM

2. **INVOCATION** *Councilwoman Kathy Richel*

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

Mayor Pro Tem Steve Brown, Place 6

Councilwoman Kathy Richel, Place 1

Councilman Jeff Beehler, Place 2

Councilwoman Nancy Droneburg, Place 3

Councilman Jon Lindgren, Place 4

Councilman Rick Davis, Place 5

Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager

Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney

Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of January 19, 2016.
- B. Approve Amended Minutes of City Council Meeting of June 2, 2015.
- C. Accept Minutes of Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting of December 21, 2015.
- D. Acceptance of 2015 Racial Profiling Report.
- E. Appointment of Michael Roberts as Chairman for Planning & Zoning Commission.

Mayor Suarez pulled Item 5D due to technical difficulties. Will be presented at the February 16, 2016 City Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Droneburg pulled Item 5B and stated that she abstained for voting due to not being on Council at that time.

Councilman Beehler made a motion to approve Items 5C and 5E, MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

MPT Brown made a motion to approve Item 5B with Councilwoman Droneburg abstaining, Councilman Beehler 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.

Celeste Morris- Expressed concerns about the proposed location of new fire station, fence repairs, missing porch furniture, Jake Brake Ordinance.

Laura Blake- Thanks Mayor and those who came out to Wagon Train meeting.

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.

7. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS:

- A. Recognition of Debra Malone upon her retirement after Twenty Four Years (24) of Service to the Converse Police Department. (Mayor Suarez)
- B. Recognition of former councilwoman Deborah James for her service to the City of Converse. (Councilman Lindgren)

8. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. Public Hearing on a Request to Rezone a parcel of land located at Judson Heights Subdivision. 7315 Colina Way (Legal Description CB 5071K Block 7, Lot 1). The property owner is requesting rezoning from B-3 Commercial to R-3 Multifamily Apartment to develop triplexes and four-plexes consistent with the design of the existing duplexes.

Opened: 7:18 PM

*Celeste Morris- In support of rezoning
John Finch, Owner of property – present for questions.*

Closed: 7:19 PM

- B. Public Hearing on a Request to Rezone a parcel of land located at 9050 FM 78, Converse, TX 78109 (Legal Description CB 5071A, Block 1, Lot 1) (PID # 312933) The property owner is requesting rezoning from R-1 Single Family to B-2 Retail District to allow for a Podiatrist Office or any business under the B-2 Zoning classification.

Opened: 7:20 PM

Celeste Morris- In support of rezoning

Closed: 7:21 PM

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Ordinance No. 401-44-2016A Prohibiting the Use of Engine Brakes Also Known As “Jake Brakes”. (First Reading) (Councilman Lindgren)

MPT Brown made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 401-44-2016A, Councilwoman Droneburg seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mayor Suarez and Councilman Beehler against. (5:2)

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve a Request to Rezone a parcel of land located at Judson Heights Subdivision. 7315 Colina Way (Legal Description CB 5071K Block 7, Lot 1). The property owner is requesting rezoning from B-3 Commercial to R-3 Multifamily Apartment to develop triplexes and four-plexes consistent with the design of the existing duplexes. (City Manager)

Councilman Lindgren made a motion to approve rezoning request for 7315 Colina Way, MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve a Request to Rezone a parcel of land located at 9050 FM 78, Converse, TX 78109 (Legal Description CB 5071A, Block 1, Lot 1) (PID # 312933) The property owner is requesting rezoning from R-1 Single Family to B-2 Retail District to allow for a Podiatrist Office or any business under the B-2 Zoning classification. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to approve the rezoning request for 9050 FM 78, Councilwoman Droneburg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- C. Discussion and Appropriate Action on Adoption of the Parks Vision/Master Plan. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to adopt the Parks Vision/Master Plan, Councilman Beehler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

- D. Discussion of December Financial and Investment Reports. (City Manager)

- E. Discussion and Appropriate Action to evaluate the need for additional Police Officers to facilitate the growth demands of Converse. (Mayor Suarez) (City Manager)

No action taken.

- F. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Selection Process for CRWA Board of Trustees. (Councilwoman Droneburg)

Councilwoman Droneburg will draft a selection process with the assistance of the City Manager and will bring back to the next meeting.

11. CITY COUNCIL & MANAGER REPORTS:

- A. City Commission Liaison Reports.
B. City Manager’s Report & Discussion of Future Agenda Items/Items of Interest.
- 2015 City Bond Propositions Status/Updates

- Proposed Council Retreat & JLUS workshop
 - Discussion of Annexation of ETJ Property
 - City Commission Openings
- C. Councilmember's Reports/Items of Interest.
D. Mayor's Report/Items of Interest.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Entered: 8:34 PM*

- A. Executive Session in Accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.07, CONSULTATIONS WITH ATTORNEY: CLOSED MEETING. To seek advice from City Attorney regarding an Incident at City Hall Administrative Offices.
(Mayor Suarez)

13. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: *Reconvened: 9:21 PM*

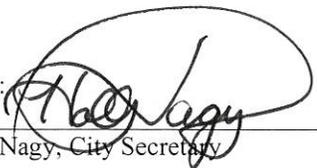
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(Mayor Suarez)

MPT Brown made a motion to approve the City Attorney to prove a supplemental letter to resident involved in the incident at City Hall Administrative Offices. Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

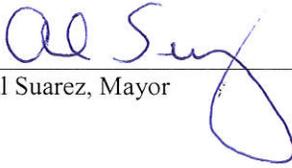
14. ADJOURNMENT: *9:23 PM*

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016.

ATTEST:



Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary



Al Suarez, Mayor

