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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 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, October 18, 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:**

2. **INVOCATION:** Presented by Pastor Draper of Maranatha Bible Church, Converse Texas

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
Mr. Lanny S. Lambert, City Manager
Ms. Le Ann Piatt, Assistant City Manager
Ms. Holly Nagy, City Secretary
Councilman Jeff Beehler, Place 2
Councilwoman Nancy Droneburg, Place 3
Mr. Felix Arambula, City Attorney

Absent: Councilmembers Davis and Lindgren

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting of September 20, 2016.
B. Accept Minutes of Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of July 18, 2016.
C. Accept Minutes of Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting of August 15, 2016.
D. Approval of Ordinance No. 309-38-2016 Vacating and Abandoning a Portion of Duncan Place from Loop 1604 to Brooks Avenue. (Second Reading)

Councilman Beehler made a motion to approve Items 5 A-D, MPT seconded the motion. The motion passed.

6. **CITY STAFF REPORTS:**

A. Report by Executive Director of Converse Economic Development Corporation, Kate Silvas
B. Report by Public Works/Utility Director, Manny Longoria
C. Report by Director of Human Resources, John Rudd
D. Report by Police Chief, Fidel Villegas
E. Report by Director of Community Development, John Quintanilla
F. Report by Director of City Library, Derika Bailey
G. Report by Fire Chief, Richard Wendt

Item 5A

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

A. Recognition of Hubert Locklear, Police Officer, for 10 Years of Service to the Converse Police Department. (Mayor Suarez)
B. Recognition of Richard Radiski, Police Officer and Derek Santos, Firefighter as Employees of the month for the month of September 2016. (Mayor Suarez) (City Manager)

8. 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.
Please note you will be videotaped for the record and as a reminder this Council meeting is being streamed "Live" on the Converse Website.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Appoint Tim Vinson as a Member to the Parks & Environmental Commission. (Filling unexpired term ending 2/2017.) (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to approve the appointment of Tim Vinson to the Parks and Environmental Commission, Councilwoman Droneburg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Appoint Marcelo Buckley as a Member to the Parks & Environmental Commission. (Filling unexpired term ending 3/2018.) (City Manager)

Councilman Beehler made a motion to approve the appointment of Marcelo Buckley to the Parks and Environmental Commission, MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed.

C. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Appoint Paula Johnson as a Member to the Ethics Review Board. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to approve the appointment of Paula Johnson to the Ethics Review Board, MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed.

D. Discussion and Appropriate Action for Appointments to the Charter Review Committee. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Droneburg nominated Robin Benbrook
Mayor Suarez nominated Randy Pannell and Richard Wendt as the City Staff Liaison

Councilwoman Droneburg made a motion to accept the nominations as stated, Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The other applicants are pending approval based on the ruling by the City Attorney regarding being a member on more than one commission.

E. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Accept the COPS Hiring Program Award Grant. (City Manager)

Councilwoman Richel made a motion to accept the COPS Hiring Program Grant, MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed.

F. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Approve Resolution No. 750-2016A- Amending the Economic Development Corporation FY 2017 Budget. (City Manager)

Dr. Riley made a presentation. Discussion ensued regarding Resolution No. 750-2016A

Councilwoman Droneburg made a motion to approve the short version of Resolution No. 750-2016A which allows for the 2% raise for the EDC Director. Councilwoman Richel seconded the motion. The motion passed with Councilman Beehler against. (4:1)

G. Presentation and Discussion of the Park Development Projects Funded through the 2015 Bond Program. (City Manager)

Manny Longoria gave a presentation on the Park Development Projects

H. Discussion and Appropriate Action to amend the 2015 Streets Bond Contract with Lone Star Paving by $1,796,102. (City Manager)

Councilman Beehler made a motion to amend the 2015 Streets Bond Contract with Lone Star Paving by $1,796,102. MPT Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed.

I. Discussion and Appropriate Action to amend the 2015 Bond Project Streets Improvement project listing. (City Manager)

MPT Brown made a motion to amend the 2015 Bond Project Streets Improvement project listing, Councilman Beehler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

J. Discussion of the Financial and Investment Report as of August, 2016. (City Manager)

10. 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 Project Plans
   -City Commission Openings, Meet the Candidates, Early Voting
   - Proposal to Develop Cell Towers
C. Councilmember's Reports/Items of Interest.
D. Mayor's Report/Items of Interest.

11. ADJOURNMENT: *9:00 PM*

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1st DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016.

Al Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Holly A. Nagy, City Secretary

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