

September 16, 2008

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Monte Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Lynn led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Monte Richardson, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Joe Ed Lynn, James Harrison and Derek Anderson; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Browning was absent. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Secretary Betty Hollon and City Attorney Charley Smith.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lynn to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Anderson to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2008 and Special Meeting of September 2, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM *(Any public comment that is made on an item that is not on the posted final agenda will only be heard by the City Council. No formal action, discussion, deliberation, nor comment will be made by the Council.)*

Barbara Teague and Elizabeth Holder spoke to Council regarding the Colorado Valley Transit Bus Service.

7. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS/CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Richardson gave a special "thanks" to Alderman Browning for all his help during Hurricane Ike and commended the City crews for being so prepared for the Hurricane.

8. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator Roberts thanked the City crews for their efforts during the Hurricane and mentioned this year's Fall Clean-up for our local citizens will be from October 20<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>.

9. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 2008-2009 BEDC BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Lynn to approve the 2008-2009 BEDC budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL 2009 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Anderson to appoint Alderman Browning as our Representative and Alderman Lottridge our Alternate Representative to the Houston-Galveston Area Council 2009 General Assembly. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION PETITIONING H-GAC TO EXPAND VAN POOL AREA AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY- VASTENE OLIER WITH COLORADO VALLEY TRANSIT

Vastene Olier with the Colorado Valley Transit presented Council with a Resolution requesting HGAC expand the Regional Vanpool Program into Austin County. The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Harrison to adopt the Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS RELATED TO AUDIT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Alderman Anderson gave Council a summary regarding the City audit and recommended preapproval to amend the budget as per the accrual adjustments from our auditor. A motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to amend the budget per Alderman Anderson's recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELLVILLE AND THE AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION AUTHORIZING USE OF CITY PARK FACILITIES DURING THE 2008 AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Action on this item not necessary due to previous leasing agreement.

14. DISCUSSION REGARDING ARTICLE 10.100 TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND ARTICLE 6.200 WEEDS, GRASS, BRUSH AND OTHER IMPURE AND UNWHOLESOME MATTER AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Attorney Smith recommended to Council no action was necessary regarding Article 6.200 - Weeds, Grass, Brush and other Impure and Unwholesome Matter. Attorney Smith will present an amendment to Article 10.100 - Traffic Regulations at next month's meeting.

15. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-2010 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Vicki Spiess with Kerbow & Associates presented Council with a revised Resolution for the 2009/2010 Texas Community Development Block Grant which changed the amount the City is to contribute from \$52,500 to \$17,500. The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt the revised Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

16. BUDGET HEARING

Mayor Richardson opened the budget hearing at 6:18 p.m. No one in attendance wished to comment and hearing was closed at 6:19 p.m.

17. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2008-2009 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt Ordinance #1381 which approves and adopts the 2008-2009 fiscal year budget. Motion carried unanimously.

18. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2008 TAX RATE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve Ordinance #1382 adopting the 2008 tax rate of 0.2718 cents (per \$100.00 valuation). Motion carried unanimously.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adjourn at 6:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.