



City of Rowlett

Special Meeting Minutes

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City Council

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Tuesday, October 14, 2014

5:30 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Dana-Bashian, Councilmember Sheffield and Councilmember van Bloemendaal

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (5:30 P.M.)* Times listed are approximate

- 2A.** The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.087 (Economic Development) and §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss and deliberate the offer of financial or other incentives to business prospects that the City may seek to have locate at 3913 and 4011-4025 Main Street. (30 minutes)

Council convened in Executive Session at 5:31 p.m. Out at 6:56 p.m.

- 2B.** The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.087 (Economic Development) and §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss and deliberate the offer of financial or other incentives to business prospects that the City may seek to have locate on property at 2801 Lakeview Parkway. (30 minutes) (THIS ITEM WILL BE DISCUSSED FOLLOWING THE REGULAR PORTION OF THE MEETING)

Council convened in Executive Session at 9:44 p.m. Out at 10:04 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION (6:00 P.M.)*

Council took a short break at 6:56 p.m. and reconvened at 7:04 p.m.

- 3A.** Provide bi-annual update and discuss the City's Economic Development 5 year Strategic Plan. (60 minutes)

Due to time constraints, this item will be rescheduled to a later date.

- 3B.** Discuss recommended action regarding the Bunker/Tee Boxes/Lake Projects at Waterview Golf Course. (20 minutes)

City Manager Brian Funderburk, reviewed the background of projects, refinancing, and the tee and bunker study. He stated there were additional assets in the proposed projects – additional bunkers and a lake. Craig Kniffen, with American Golf Corporation (AGC), outlined the requirements involved with maintaining the bunkers and AGC's request to remove three of the existing bunkers that are no longer in play. It was the consensus of Council to grant this request and include it in the scope of work for the Waterview Golf Course improvements.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Council took a short break at 7:26 p.m.

CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (6:00 P.M.)*

Council reconvened in Regular Session at 7:31 p.m.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Discuss Blacklands Corridor Feasibility Study and proposed Northeast Gateway Tollway Project.

This item was realigned after Citizens' Input.

Tim Rogers, Public Works Director, provided background information regarding the Blacklands Corridor Feasibility Study – its purpose and goals, and conceptual strategies. He listed cities that were in support, not in favor, and still considering their position.

The following spoke in opposition of the proposed Northeast Gateway toll road:

1. Linda Knight, 2960 Whiteley, Wylie .
2. Dawn Haney, 109 Cottonwood, Wylie
3. Rede Beitman, 208 K Street, Wylie
4. Christine Hubley, 131 Squirrel Ridge, Wylie
5. Patrick Bricker, 3800 Troy Road, Wylie
6. Susan Schwartz, 2820 Vinson Street, Rowlett
7. Walter White, 10718 Western Hills Drive, Rowlett
8. Patrick Bilek, 4209 Vista Creek Drive, Rowlett

9. Pedro Andrade, 10817 J. A. Forster Drive, Rowlett
10. Bobbie Walker, 10709 J. A. Forster Drive, Rowlett
11. David Smith, 10801 Nantucket Drive, Rowlett
12. Lynn Woolbright, 10309 Wentworth Drive, Rowlett
13. Greg Bantel, 174 Squirrel Ridge, Wylie
14. Delores Young, 1825 E FM 544, Wylie
15. Mark Volpi, 2559 Troy Road, Wylie
16. Annilee Waterman, 1117 Highridge Drive, Wylie
17. Greg Willaby, 7104 Sable, Sachse
18. Scott Ely, 150 Touchstone, Wylie
19. Charles Ely, 3801 Stonewall, Wylie
20. Emma Grant, 7302 Vista Ridge Lane, Sachse
21. Dan Minger, 189 Mallard Point, Wylie
22. Jerry Shaffer, 401 Fox Hollow Drive, Wylie
23. Scott Tiveron, 6204 Valley View, Sachse
24. Chris Hubley, 131 Squirrel Ridge, Wylie
25. Mylo Jones, 2641 Troy Road, Wylie
26. Jan Chandler, 5908 Pleasant Valley, Wylie

Councilmembers provided comments regarding their positions relating to the proposed toll road and the Study. After further discussion, it was the consensus of Council to send a letter to the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) opposing the Northeast Gateway Toll Road and supporting the expansion and improvements to I-30.

- 5B.** Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

There were no announcements.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

Larry Beckham, 9313 Willard Street, Rowlett; spoke regarding the Planning & Zoning Commission.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items for consideration.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A.** Consider action to approve a resolution to enter into an Economic Development Program Agreement with Millennium Road Holdings, LLC for property located at 3913, 4011-4025 Main Street and authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was the first order of business.

Jim Grabenhorst, Director of Economic Development, outlined the proposed development and the details of the agreement. Councilmembers expressed concerns and support relating to the development.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Sheffield, to approve the item as presented with the addition of "subject to City Attorney approval" to the resolution. The motion carried with a vote of five in favor (van Bloemendaal, Gottel, Gallops, Dana-Bashian, Sheffield) and two opposed (Bobbitt, Pankratz). This item was approved as RES-096-14.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

After a short break at 9:31 p.m., Council reconvened in Executive Session at 9:44 p.m.

No action was taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 10:04 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: October 21, 2014