



City of Rowlett

Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, July 21, 2015

6:00 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 Dana-Bashian, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Pankratz, Councilmember van Bloemendaal and Councilmember Sheffield

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:00 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) to discuss commercial or financial information and the offer of incentives to business prospects that the City may seek to have locate, stay or expand in Rowlett and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations. (45 minutes)

In at 6:01 p.m. Out at 7:30 p.m.

3. WORK SESSION (6:45 P.M.) * Times listed are approximate.

- 3A.** Discuss authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Rowlett, Texas General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds and Waterworks and Sewer System Refunding Bonds, both Series 2015, and future issuance of Waterworks and Sewer System Improvement Bonds and Certificates of Obligation. (15 minutes)

This discussion will take place when this item is presented for individual consideration.

- 3B.** Update Council on Year 5 of Employee Benefits Strategy to include Plan Performance Update, Wellness Update, Live Healthy America Challenge, Biometric Screening Results & Comparisons, Stakeholders Code of Conduct, and Year 4 Strategy. (30 minutes)

This item will be postponed to the August 4th Council meeting.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Council took a short break at 7:31 p.m.

CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (7:30 P.M.)*

Council reconvened at 7:39 p.m.

INVOCATION – Kason Huddleston, Freedom Place

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Presentation of Proclamation in recognition of Jason Michael Ross attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dana-Bashian presented the proclamation.

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

Mayor Gottel announced the following: Council Meetings - next regular Council meetings will be held on Tuesday, August 4th & 18th. Special budget work session meeting will be held Thursday, August 20th in the Annex Conference Room. Council will no longer meet on a regular basis on the second Tuesday of the month for work session – only two meetings a month except for special items. P & Z meetings - Tuesday, July 28th – held in the City Hall Conference Room at 6:30pm. New start time is 6:30pm unless a work session is needed then the meeting will start at 6pm. Boards & Commissions Volunteer Fair - Thursday, July 30 from 6:30 – 8 pm @ RCC. 6th annual volunteer fair – learn about various City Boards and Commissions. Volunteer opportunities at the Animal Shelter, Library, Police Department and other City departments as well as Keep Rowlett Beautiful and the Rowlett Citizen Corps Council. Accepting applications for boards & commissions - applications now being accepted for all the boards and commissions. Council will appoint citizens to fill term vacancies during the September 15th council meeting. Detailed descriptions and the application to serve are available on the main website page under Rowlett news. Mosquito season - Dallas County sprayed for mosquitoes in the northeast quadrant of the City last Thursday night, Sunday and Monday nights as a result of a mosquito testing positive for West Nile Virus. The City contracts with Dallas County for testing, abatement and spraying for all

of Rowlett (portion in Rockwall County too). Be proactive to help in the fight – practice the four D's: Dress, Deet, Drain, Dusk & Dawn. Still available! – City of Rowlett providing “dunks” for free at the Development Services building located at 3901 Main St, 8am to 5pm Monday thru Friday (first come, first served basis). Rowlett Library - the Library is now located at 5702 Rowlett Road. Upcoming events: Summer Reading Program – runs through July 31st. End of Summer Reading party @ Wet Zone on August 1st, 11am – 1pm. Arts & Humanities Photography Contest - 2015 theme “whatever floats your boat.” Entries accepted @ the RCC on Saturday, September 5th from 10am to noon. Visit Arts & Humanities page at Rowlett.com for more information. Parks and Recreation - Kids Kingdom update: Kids Kingdom playground committee meets weekly, all meetings open to public. Held on Tuesday evenings at RCC; for more information check on the City's website on the home page, rebuild Kids Kingdom! Selling fence pickets now. Volunteers sign up now for “build week” – Nov. 30 – Dec. 6. Upcoming events: movies at Pecan Grove Park begin at 6:15pm. September 4th – Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day. September 11th – Paddington. September 18th – Big Hero 6. Utility billing - reminder – Mint Bills – a new and convenient way to pay your Rowlett utility bill – start using it today! Download the app for free. Pay utility bill with all major credit cards including American Express. Activities for seniors: senior potluck lunch social. Second Thursday of the month; 11:30am at RCC. August 13th and September 10th are the next lunches. Lunch around town - fourth Tuesday of the month; 11:30 am. July 28th – McAlister's. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) - CERT class – Saturday, August 1st and August 8th, 8am – 5pm. Course fee of \$20 covers disposable materials used in the class. Is an essential component of large City events along with being well established and integrated into the City's emergency plan. Animal shelter - next low cost vaccine clinic at animal shelter – Saturday, August 15th, 1 – 3pm. Located at 4402 Industrial St. Shelter is open Monday – Saturday, 10am – 5pm.

Members of Coldwell Banker - Apex presented a check to Friends of the Rowlett Animal Shelter in the amount of \$200. These funds were collected at a fundraiser and adoption event held at their offices. They plan to host additional events in September and October.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

1. Jerry Nichols, 2005 Portsmouth Drive, Richardson; provided information regarding Senior Awareness Day on August 7th.
2. Sam Seidel, 1901 Palomino Drive, Rowlett; spoke regarding the Creekside Village development.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7A. Consider action to approve minutes from the July 7, 2015, City Council Regular Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 7B. Consider action to approve a resolution adopting the City's Investment Guidelines Document for the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Plan within the Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) Post-Retirement Health Care Plan Trust Program.

This item was approved as RES-090-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7C. Consider action to approve a resolution exercising the first of four one-year renewal options for Section I mowing services to Ely Tree and Landscape in the unit amounts bid with an estimated annual amount of \$65,000 for the Community Services Code Enforcement Division.

This item was approved as RES-091-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7D. Consider amending the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Operating and Capital Improvements Program Budget.

This item was approved as ORD-026-15 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Pankratz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A. Consider adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Rowlett, Texas General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2015 and Waterworks and Sewer System Refunding Bonds, Series 2015; approving the official statement, providing an effective date; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject.

Wendy Badgett, Interim Director of Finance, presented the overview of the bond sale. Boyd London, with First Southwest, provided the details for the transaction.

A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was adopted as ORD-027-15.

- 8B. Consider an ordinance to rezone from Single Family-40 Zoning District to the New Neighborhood Form-Based Zoning District, with Major Warrants to allow modification to the lighting and open space standards for buildings fronting on open space, for properties located at 4401, 4413, 4501, 4509, 4513, 4601, 4609, 4613 and 4701 Dexham Road. (Case FW14-740)

Marc Kurbansade, Director of Development Services, informed the Council that the applicant is discussing the issues with the Dexham Estates HOA and requested that the item be tabled until the August 18th City Council meeting.

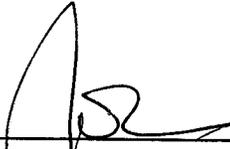
A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Sheffield, to table the item until the August 18th meeting. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

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

There was no action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor

Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: August 4, 2015

