



City of Rowlett

Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, February 16, 2016

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 Pankratz, Councilmember van Bloemendaal, Councilmember Bobbitt, and Councilmember Sheffield

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

3. WORK SESSION (6:00 P.M.) * Times listed are approximate.

3A. Discuss an amendment to Chapter 50 to include restrictions on all scavenging of trash, debris and recycling. (15 minutes)

Maria Martinez, Community Services Manager, reviewed the requested addition. After further discussion, the item was pulled from the Consent Agenda for Individual Consideration so that suggested changes could be made.

3B. Update on Kids Kingdom build and budget status. (30 minutes)

Angie Smith, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, along with Jim Proce, Assistant City Manager, provided an update with a calendar of completion and review of original funding the project. They discussed the overages for the project – causes and resolution. Staff provided an explanation of the Park Pro Rata Fund and where funds from Parks operating budget could be used. Other fundraising opportunities were discussed through business donations and sponsorship possibilities.

- 3C.** Discuss an opportunity to secure Green Ribbon Project funding through TxDOT for landscaping enhancements along Lakeview Parkway (SH 66) corridor in conjunction with Keep Rowlett Beautiful, Inc. (KRB) projects and the planned entrance feature for Downtown Rowlett at Martin Drive and Lakeview Parkway. (30 minutes)

Jim Grabenhorst, Director of Economic Development, along with Brad Moulton of la terra studio, presented the proposal. After further discussion, it was the consensus of Council to proceed with pursuing proposed funding opportunity.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmembers asked for clarification of items 7H and 7D.

Council took a short break at 7:30 p.m.

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

Council reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

INVOCATION – Steven Leatherwood, Chaplain Rowlett Fire Rescue/Rowlett Police Department

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

TEXAS PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by the City Council

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Hear presentation of the Monthly Financial report for the period ending December 31, 2015.

Kim Galvin, Director of Financial Services, presented the report.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Gallops announced the following:

INFORMATION ABOUT THE TORNADO CAN BE FOUND ON THE MAIN PAGE OF THE CITY'S WEBSITE AT www.rowlett.com CLICK ON "VIEW ALL" AT THE BOTTOM OF THE "ROWLETT NEWS SECTION" TO SEE ALL INFORMATION POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE

HELP REVERSE THE FEMA INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE (IA) DENIAL!

- PLEASE COMPLETE THE DECEMBER TORNADO DAMAGES AND INSURANCE SURVEY TODAY!
- GOVERNOR ABBOTT HAS 30 DAYS TO APPEAL THIS DECISION
- EVEN IF YOU'VE ALREADY FILLED OUT THE SURVEY EARLIER IN THE YEAR, WE NEED YOU TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY TOO
- IF YOU SUFFERED PROPERTY OR VEHICLE DAMAGE OR WER INJURED AS A RESULT OF THE TORNADO, PLEASE COMPLETE THE SURVEY
- YOUR PARTICIPATION IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND MAY HELP REVERSE THE IA DENIAL

- SURVEY IS LOCATED AT <https://www.research.net/r/DECTORNADO>
- SHARE WITH ANYONE THAT MAY HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE DECEMBER 26 TORNADO
- CROWDER GULF NOW REMOVING TORNADO DEBRIS
- ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, CROWDER GULF – A DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL CONTRACTOR – BEGAN THEIR FIRST PASS THROUGH THE AREAS, WHICH WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY 30 DAYS
- THEIR TRUCKS ARE VERY LARGE HOLDING 150 CUBIC YARDS OF DEBRIS – 10-12 TIMES THE AMOUNT OF THE CITY TRUCKS
- BE AWARE OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES IN NEIGHBORHOODS FOR SAFETY REASONS
- ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE DEBRIS REMOVAL PROCESS INCLUDES: HAZARDOUS WASTE, “WHITE GOODS” (STOVES, REFRIGERATORS, ELECTRONICS, OTHER APPLIANCES – MAKE SURE DOORS ARE SEALED AND SECURE), STORM DEBRIS AND VEGETATIVE DEBRIS
- PLEASE FOLLOW THESE DEBRIS SEPARATION AND PLACEMENT GUIDELINES:
 - DO NOT PLACE DEBRIS IN DRIVEWAYS OR ALLEYS
 - ALL DEBRIS MUST BE PLACED OFF THE STREET BUT IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY (AREA BEHIND CURB). IF THE DEBRIS EXTENDS PAST THE SIDEWALK INTO YOUR YARD (PRIVATE PROPERTY). IT WILL NOT BE PICKED UP!
 - DEBRIS SHOULD BE SEPARATED AS STATED IN THE DEBRIS SEPARATION GUIDELINES
 - PLACE DEBRIS AWAY FROM OBSTACLES SUCH AS MAIL BOXES, WATER METERS AND FIRE HYDRANTS
- THESE MATERIALS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP:
 - CONCRETE SLAB DEMO DEBRIS
 - CONTRACTOR DEBRIS
 - SWIMMING POOL DEMO DEBRIS

ROWLETT TORNADO RECOVERY FORUM

- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2-4PM
- CHURCH IN THE CITY – 6500 DALROCK RD
- AN INFORMATIVE FORUM FOR RESIDENTS PRESENTED BY THE ROWLETT LONG TERM RECOVERY COMMITTEE
- TOPICS INCLUDE:
 - HOW DO I GET HELP?
 - WHAT OTHER ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE?
 - REBUILDING YOUR HOME – ZONING REQUIREMENTS, PERMITTING, ETC.
 - FEMA INFORMATION

COUNCIL MEETINGS

- NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1ST AND 15TH

P & Z MEETINGS

- NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD AND MARCH 8TH IN THE CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM AT 6:30PM

NO “MARCH CLEAN-UP” THIS YEAR

- WITH TORNADO DEBRIS CLEAN-UP STILL ON-GOING, THERE WILL BE NO MARCH CLEAN-UP THIS YEAR

ROWLETT LIBRARY

- SPRING BREAK WEEK – MARCH 7TH – 12TH; ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE EVERY DAY, MONDAY – SATURDAY AT THE LIBRARY
- MOVIE & POPCORN – SHOWING “DIVERGENT” SATURDAY, MARCH 5 @ 2PM @ RCC
- LOVE ON A LEASH – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9TH AT 3:30PM AT CITY HALL, 4000 MAIN STREET

ANIMAL SHELTER

- LOW COST VACCINE CLINIC AT ANIMAL SHELTER – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 1 – 3PM
- LOCATED AT 4402 INDUSTRIAL ST.
- SHELTER IS OPEN MONDAY – SATURDAY, 10AM – 5PM

EARLY VOTING FOR MARCH 1ST PRIMARY ELECTION STARTED TODAY

- PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED TO CAST YOUR VOTE
- VOTING SITE – 4004 MAIN STREET, ANNEX BUILDING
- TUESDAY – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH – 19TH, 8AM TO 5PM
- SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 20TH, 7AM TO 7PM
- SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 21ST, 1PM TO 6PM
- MONDAY – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 – 26, 7AM TO 7PM

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dana-Bashian, also announced that the Tornado Forum on 2/20/16 will also be informative for those residents not directly affected by the tornado.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

There were no speakers.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7A. Consider action to approve minutes from the February 2, 2016 City Council Regular Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 7B. Consider approving an ordinance calling the General Election for Saturday, May 7, 2016 to elect the Mayor, Councilmembers for Place Two, Place Four and Place Six and any possible resulting run-off election to be held on Saturday, June 18, 2016.

This item was approved as ORD-006-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7C. Consider action to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 50 to include restrictions on all scavenging of trash, debris and recycling.

This item was pulled for individual consideration.

A motion was made by Councilmember Pankratz, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dana-Bashian, to approve the item with the following amendment: Replace Section 50-8, Sub-section (b) with the following: After solid waste or debris is placed for collection, no person other than the owner of the property on which the solid waste or debris is placed or an authorized carrier shall sift through, remove, pick up or transfer the solid waste or debris placed thereon. Solid waste or debris located on city or public property shall not be sifted through, removed, picked up or transferred by any person without prior authorization by the city. Each unauthorized removal of any items shall constitute a separate violation of this section. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as ORD-007-16.

- 7D. Consider action to approve a resolution expressing the official intent to reimburse costs of the December 2015 Tornado Event through the issuance of tax-exempt obligations or other obligations, with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000.

This item was approved as RES-040-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7E. Consider action to approve a resolution providing support of the submission of an application to the 2016 Competitive Housing Tax Credit Program through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the project proposed by GroundFloor Development.

This item was approved as RES-041-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7F. Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and payment, release of retainage and early completion bonus for the Offsite Water Main for the Main Street 1.25 MG Elevated Storage Tank Project (WA2109) in the amount of \$144,748.07 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-042-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7G. Consider action to approve a resolution authorizing the final acceptance and payment, release of retainage and early completion bonus for the Main Street 1.25 MG Elevated Storage Tank Project (WA2107) in the amount of \$331,053.57 and authorizing the Mayor to execute the necessary documents.

This item was approved as RES-043-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7H. Consider action to approve a resolution requesting Dallas County Central Appraisal District and Rockwall County Central Appraisal District reappraise properties in the City of Rowlett affected by the recent tornado as authorized by Texas Tax Code Section 23.02.

This item was approved as RES-044-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7I. Consider a resolution approving a tree mitigation plan and related tree removal permit application for more than three trees associated with the Briarwood Armstrong Addition on property located

at 3001 Lakeview Parkway, further described as Lots 1-4 and 7, Block A of the Briarwood Armstrong Addition, City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas.

This item was approved as RES-045-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7J.** Consider a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Economic Development incentive agreement with Churchill Residential for the development of the Evergreen at Rowlett Senior Living Complex located at 5500 Old Rowlett Road.

This item was approved as RES-046-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7K.** Consider action to approve a change order for the construction of a 100 foot monopole radio tower for new Public Safety Radio System to be located at the Rowlett police building.

This item was approved as RES-047-16 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7L.** Consider approving an ordinance calling a Special Election to Fill a Vacancy for an unexpired term, created by the resignation of Carl Pankratz, Councilmember Place 3.

This item was approved as ORD-008-16 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Dana-Bashian, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a vote of 5 in favor and one abstention (Pankratz).

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A.** Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance approving a request for a rezoning from a Single Family-8 Zoning District to a Planned Development District with an underlying base district of Multi-Family Attached Residential Townhouse (MF-TH) for the purpose of constructing 12 townhomes on property located at 10206 Liberty Grove Road further described as being 3.149 +/- acres in the Harrison Blevins Survey, Abstract No. 94 and the Hanse Hamilton Survey, Abstract No. 858, City of Rowlett, Dallas County, Texas. (PD41-2015)

This item was presented immediately after the Pledges.

Garrett Langford, Principal Planner, presented the information. The public hearing opened and closed with three speakers:

1. Debbie Christensen Roberts, 530 Pecan Lane, Rowlett; spoke in opposition of this item.
2. Kelly Gramza, 514 Pecan Lane, Rowlett; spoke in opposition of this item.
3. Mike Lancaster, 9916 Dalrock, Rowlett; revoked his opposition of this item.

Council discussion regarding clarification of proposed project and lots for current zoning.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Sheffield, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a vote of five in favor and two opposed (Bobbitt, Pankratz). This item was approved as ORD-009-16.

- 8B.** Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance approving the delineation of the take area adjacent to Block 1, Lot 2, of the Homestead at Lakepoint Addition on property generally located east of Heritage Parkway and south of Beacon Harbor Street, being 2.61 +/- acres.

Mayor Gottel left the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

This item was presented second. Presentations then followed.

Erin Jones, Senior Planner, reviewed the history of this project. The public hearing opened and closed with two speakers:

1. Mark Tascher, 6602 Warwick Drive, Rockwall; spoke in opposition of this item.
2. Dan Haney/Carolyn Jacob, 9717 Rockdale Drive, Rowlett; spoke in opposition of this item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Councilmember van Bloemendaal, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as ORD-010-16.

- 8C.** Call Special Election for proposed Charter Amendments.

Laura Hallmark, City Secretary, presented the proposed amendments with the Charter Review Commission's reasons for recommendation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was approved as ORD-011-16.

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

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Gallops adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: March 1, 2016