

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS
March 23, 2011**

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor: Barbara Bass
Mayor Pro Tem: Ralph Caraway
Councilmembers: Martin Heines
Donald Sanders (**absent**)
Mark Whatley
Sam Mezayek
Jason Wright

City Manager: Mark McDaniel
City Attorney: Gary C. Landers
Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean
Airport Manager: Davis Dickson
Human Resources Director: ReNissa Wade
Development Services Engineer: Michael Wilson
Director of Neighborhood Services: Brenda Johnson
Chief Financial Officer: Daniel Crawford
City Engineer: Carter Delleney
City Fire Chief: Tim Johnson
City Librarian: Chris Albertson
City Police Chief: Gary Swindle
Communications Director: Susan Guthrie
Director of Planning and Zoning: Barbara Holly
Director of Solid Waste: Dan Brotton
Housing Service Manager: Andy Davis
Budget/Internal Auditor: Keidric Trimble
Director of Utilities & Public Works: Greg Morgan
City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway.

MINUTES

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; seconded by Councilmember Whatley; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

EMPLOYEE AWARDS – RECOGNITIONS, SERVICE

A-1 Service Awards

We would like to recognize the following employees for their years of service and commitment to the City of Tyler. At this important milestone, we express our sincere appreciation for your dedication and for the special contribution you make to our organization. These employees represent over **55-years** of service with the City of Tyler.

Service Awards

DATE OF HIRE:	FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:	POSITION:	DEPARTMENT:	YEARS OF SERVICE:
3/16/1981	Chris	Albertson	City Librarian	Library	30
3/20/1986	Charles	Bledsoe	Police Sergeant IV	Police	25

A-2 Request that the City Council consider accepting recognition from the Tyler/Smith County United Way regarding recent awards presented to City of Tyler Planning & Zoning and Tyler Police Department.

Nan Moore, United Way – Presented the Planning & Zoning Department with the award for the Public Service Division and presented the Tyler Police Department with the Community Champion Award.

PRESENTATIONS

P-1 Request that the City Council consider hearing a presentation by Smith County Commissioner Jeff Warr about the May 2011 Jail Expansion Plan/Proposal.

P-2 Request that the City Council consider hearing a presentation about the 2010 City of Tyler Annual Report.

Communications Director, Susan Guthrie – Gave a presentation about the 2010 City of Tyler Annual Report and handed out the report to the City Councilmembers.

ZONING

Z-1 APPLICATION Z03-11-016 EARL TOM PYLE (1700 SSE LOOP 323 AND 2747 EAST FIFTH STREET)

Request that the City Council Consider changing the zoning from “C-1”, Light Commercial District to “PCD”, Planned Commercial Development District with a final site plan. (O-2011-16)

Motion by Councilmember Heines; seconded by Councilmember Whatley; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

Z-2 APPLICATION Z03-11-018 JAMR PROPERTIES (2211 ROY ROAD)

Request that the City Council Consider changing the zoning from "AG", Agricultural District to "RPO", Restricted Professional Office District. (O-2011-17)

Motion by Councilmember Whatley; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.



Z-3 APPLICATION Z03-11-019 NORTH CHASE DEVELOPMENT, LLC (3896 NORTH BROADWAY AVENUE)

Request that the City Council Consider changing the zoning from "AG", Agricultural District to "R-1D", Single-Family Detached and Attached Residential District. (O-2011-18)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; seconded by Councilmember Whatley; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

ORDINANCE



O-1 Request that the City Council consider adopting an Ordinance amending Tyler City Code Chapter 7 to codify established guidelines for creating a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ), and creating a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ) for the Forest Meadows Subdivision, located in the North Chase Development (N. Broadway). (O-2011-19)

Director of Neighborhood Services, Brenda Johnson – Gave a brief presentation on amending Tyler City Code Chapter 7 to codify established guidelines for creating a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ), and creating a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ) for the Forest Meadows Subdivision, located in the North Chase Development (N. Broadway).

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; seconded by Councilmember Heines motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

MISCELLANEOUS

M-1 Request that the City Council consider approving the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2010, as presented by Henry & Peters, P.C.

Jana Broussard, Henry & Peters – Stated that in regards to both the internal controls over financial reporting and the various grants, the external auditor did not find any material weaknesses and will issue an "unqualified opinion".

Motion by Councilmember Mezayek; seconded by Councilmember Heines motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.



- M-2 Request that the City Council consider directing City staff to proceed with the annexation of Tyler Pounds Regional Airport, city owned property.**

Motion by Councilmember Heines; seconded by Councilmember Wright; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

CONSENT

(These items are considered to be routine or have been previously discussed, and can be approved in one motion, unless a Council Member asks for separate consideration of an item).

- C-A-1 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to approve an Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the City of Fort Worth.**
- C-A-2 Request that the City Council consider declaring the attached City of Tyler vehicle list as surplus and approving the sale to the Tyler Independent School District.**
- C-A-3 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase various categories of heavy equipment and heavy truck parts and service from various sole source vendors for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**
- C-A-4 Request the City Council consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the Police Department to participate with other law enforcement agencies in the submission of a grant request from The Texas Automobile Burglary & Theft Prevention Authority and to include authorizing the City Manager to enter into a cooperative working agreement regarding the same. (R-2011-12)**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- B-1 Request that the City Council consider filling a vacancy on the City of Tyler Reinvestment Zone Committee.**

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to appoint Tom Ellis; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.

- B-2 Request that the City Council consider filling a vacancy left on the Disability Issues Review Board.**

Motion by Councilmember Heines to appoint Margaret Rapp; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Caraway; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented.


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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Senate Bill 342 Hotel Occupancy Tax voted out of Senate Committee.
2. HB 2182- IOU bill hearing in House Committee Tuesday March 22, comments by Councilmembers Wright & Mezayek who testified for the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Heines to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 am; seconded by Councilmember Whatley; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented and meeting adjourned.


BARBARA BASS, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:


CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

