#### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS July 10, 2013

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

> Mayor: Barbara Bass

Mayor Pro Tem: **Martin Heines** Councilmembers: Mark Whatley

Darryl Bowdre

Sam Mezayek (absent)

**Edward Moore** 

John Nix

City Manager: Mark McDaniel

Asst. City Manager: Susan Guthrie

Deborah G. Pullum City Attorney:

Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean

ReNissa Wade Managing Director for Administration:

Communications Manager: Kristi Boyett

Development Services Engineer: Michael Wilson Keidric Trimble

Chief Financial Officer: Carter Delleney

City Engineer:

Managing Director for Public Safety

& Police Chief: Gary Swindle

Director of Parks and Recreation: Stephanie Rollings

MPO Executive Director/Transit Director: **Barbara Holly** 

> Russ Jackson Solid Waste Director:

Leroy Sparrow Vehicle/Equipment Services Manager:

Serena Butcher Manager for Organizational Development:

> Heather Nick City Planner:

Jimmie Johnson Water Quality and Production Manager:

Municipal Court Administrator: Cam McCabe

Managing Director for Utilities/Public

Works and Utilities: Greg Morgan

> City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

#### **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Bowdre.

#### **MINUTES**

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to approve the June 26, 2013 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Bowdre; motion carried 6 - 0 & approved as presented

MAYORS FOR THE DAY - Micah Katz and Jazmine Spencer

## **EMPLOYEE AWARDS - RECOGNITIONS, SERVICE**

#### A-1 New Hires Recognitions

The following employees were hired by the City of Tyler during the month of June, 2013. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome these new employees.

#### **New Employees**

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:	POSITION:	DEPARTMENT:
Jon	Grundy	Internal Auditor	City Manager's Office
Christina	Sjerven	Access Associate Part-Time	Library
Angela	Rusk	Custodian Temporary	Parks & Recreation
Collin	Tyer	Crew Leader	Parks & Recreation
April	Molina	PS Telecommunicator II	Police
Michael	Whitener	PS Telecommunicator II	Police
Miguel	Chavez	Semi-Skilled Laborer	Stormwater
Stanley	Spillers	Truck Driver	Streets

A-2 Request that the City Council consider recognizing Albert Castaneda's second place finish in the State of Texas Road-E-O competition.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

P-1 Request that the City Council consider receiving a check presented from Commissioner David Porter with the Texas Railroad Commission (RRC).

Commissioner David Porter, Texas Railroad Commissioner, presented the City Council with a check for RRC Grant Funds totaling \$142,761. The City Council adopted a Resolution on October 10, 2012 accepting a grant to be used for the purchase of three Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) powered trash trucks. This purchase has continued to help grow the City's alternative fuel program. The trucks have been received and are now in service. The City of Tyler now has 23 CNG powered vehicles in it's fleet.

P-2 Request that the City Council consider receiving a presentation about the second Mayor's Citizens Academy and recognizing the graduates from this class.

Manager for Organizational Development, Serena Butcher, presented the second Mayor's Citizens Academy participants with certificates for completing the Academy.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

M-1 Request that the City Council consider adoption of an ordinance designating Reinvestment Zone Number 13/VME, approving a tax abatement agreement with VME Process, Inc., and authorizing the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to implement the tax abatement agreement. (O-2013-52)

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

M-2 Request that the City Council consider approving a Reimbursement/Development Agreement with Tyler Broadway/Centennial LP (Retail Connection), and authorizing the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to implement said Agreement. Councilmember Whatley abstain

Motion by Councilmember Bowdre; seconded by Councilmember Nix; motion carried 5-0-1 & approved as presented

M-3 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to award a contract for the sale of timber on City-owned property to Morris Timber Holdings, Inc, for a total estimated revenue amount of \$86,000.

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

M-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute an Inter-local Government Agreement with Smith County to expedite the Scofflaw Program to deny the renewal of vehicle registrations for unpaid fines due in the Tyler Municipal Court.

Motion by Councilmember Bowdre; seconded by Councilmember Moore; 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 ratifying staff action to accept an undesignated gift from the R.W. Fair Foundation in the amount of \$50,000.
- C-A-2 Request that the City Council consider approving a Reconciliation Change Order and approving the final payment and release of retainage, in the amount of \$272,768.36, to S.J. Louis Construction for the Highway 69/Interstate 20 Corridor Sanitary Sewerage System Improvements project.

- C-A-3 Request City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to abandon a sanitary sewer easement across Lot 4-B, NCB 1292.
- C-A-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase three (3) VisualPro 360 mobile systems and update two (2) PlatesScan mobile systems for the Municipal Court City Marshal and Police vehicle in the amount of \$71,610.

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

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- 1. RFP out possible CNG offered to public
- 2. Billboard registration initiative postponed until January 31, 2014.
- 3. Update on CIP report
- 4. Rental Car Facility at Airport on schedule

**RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION** – City Council convened into executive session at 10:05 am.

Executive Item No. 1:

Under Section 551.072 "Real Estate" deliberation regarding the following:

Discuss the purchase, exchange, sale, lease or value of real property, the public discussion of which would have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the City, related to the development of municipal facilities.

Executive Item No. 2:

Under section 551.087 "Economic Development" deliberation regarding the following:

Possible offer of financial or other incentive to a prospect, and to consider financial and other information about that prospect/project with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations that could lead to a partnership in Tyler.

Any final action to be taken by the City Council will be taken in open session.

City Council reconvened from executive session at 10:23 am with no action taken.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 am; seconded by Councilmember Moore; motion carried 6 - 0 meeting adjourned.

# July 10, 2013

BARBARA BASS, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY

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