

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS
October 2, 2013**

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2nd 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
Edward Moore
John Nix

City Manager: Mark McDaniel
Asst. City Manager: Susan Guthrie
City Attorney: Deborah G. Pullum
Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean
Airport Manager: Davis Dickson
Managing Director for Administration: ReNissa Wade
Lean Sigma Blackbelt, Communications: Guillermo Garcia
Manager for Organizational Development: Kristi Boyett

City Engineer: Carter Delleney
City Fire Chief: Tim Johnson
City Librarian: Mary Vernau
Managing Director for Public Safety
& Police Chief: Gary Swindle
Internal Auditor: Jon Grundy
Solid Waste Director: Russ Jackson
Vehicle/Equipment Services Manager: Leroy Sparrow
Senior Public Relations Specialist: Serena Butcher
Water Quality and Production Manager: Jimmie Johnson
Managing Director for Utilities/Public
Works and Utilities: Greg Morgan
City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Bowdre.

EMPLOYEE AWARDS – RECOGNITIONS, SERVICE

A-1 New Hires Recognitions

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

New Employees

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:	POSITION:	DEPARTMENT:
Joshua	Hildebrandt	GIS Developer	GIS
Yolanda	Prince	City Volunteer Coordinator	Human Resources
LaMarcus	Derrick	Laborer	Lake Tyler
Sharon	Roberts	Senior Assistant City Attorney	Legal
Kathryn	Buescher	Circulation Technician Part-Time	Library
DeMario	Evans	Laborer	Parks & Recreation
Michelle	Fettes	Clerk	Parks & Recreation
Mark	Covey	PS Telecommunicator II	Police
Thomas	Mount	Police Recruit	Police
Sarah	Warren	Courier	Police
Joseph	Heyder	Equipment Operator I	Streets
Stacey	Wyer	Purchasing Technician	Vehicle Services
Tyrone	Waters	Laborer	Wastewater Collection
Tamesa	Williams	Customer Service Representative	Water Business Office

PRESENTATIONS

P-1 Request that the City Council consider receiving a presentation regarding recommendations from the Affordable Housing Task Force.

Gary Swindle, Chief of Police – Gave a brief presentation regarding the Affordable Housing Task Force. Chief Swindle suggested recommendations by the Unified Development Code (UDC) Steering Committee, Developers Roundtable and Planning and Zoning Commission as follows:

1. Consider waiver of all City development fees relating to affordable housing in the North End Revitalization area.
2. Consider removing requirement of curb and gutter improvements or escrow for infill affordable housing in the North End.
3. Consider partnering with multiple builders to develop a new affordable housing project.
4. Continue to utilize existing programs:
 - a. HUD (CDBG funds) to improve infrastructure when funds available.
 - b. Housing Infill Program (HIP)
 - c. NEZ (Neighborhood Empowerment Zones)

- d. Tax-Exempt Housing Finance Corporation

ORDINANCE

- O-1 Request that the City Council consider adopting an Ordinance amending Tyler City Code Chapter 8 establishing the closing time for P. T. Cole Park from sunset to sunrise. (O-2013-91)**

Motion by Councilmember Bowdre; seconded by Councilmember Moore; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented

MISCELLANEOUS

- M-1 Request that the City Council consider accepting a gift from the Friends of the Tyler Public Library in the amount of \$34,800 to pay for the one-time cost of migrating to a new integrated library system, hosted by Innovative Interfaces, Inc., and to authorize the City Manager to enter a five-year contract with Innovative Interfaces, Inc. for a total amount of \$173,064.**

Mary Vernau, City Librarian – Stated that the Friends of the Tyler Public Library have graciously gifted a sum of \$34,800 to the City of Tyler. It is the intent of library staff to utilize these funds as a one-time cost to migrate the library's catalog and patron records to a new integrated library system vendor, Innovative Interfaces, Inc.

The switch to Innovative will bring the Library into the 21st century, integrating with mobile technology, social media, and helping to keep us relevant to new generations. The Innovative contract is set up for a five-year term with a total cost of \$173,064, more fully described as the \$34,800 one-time fee to be paid for by the 'Friends' donation, then costs of \$24,999 for year one, and \$29,001, \$27,810, \$27,810, and \$28,644 for years two through five respectively.

Motion by Councilmember Mezayek; seconded by Councilmember Bowdre; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-2 Request that the City Council consider canceling the November 27, 2013, and the December 25, 2013 City Council meeting.**

Motion by Councilmember Whatley; seconded by Councilmember Nix; motion carried 7 - 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 rebidding the subject properties as surplus property and authorize the City Manager to dispose of these properties in accordance with State law and subject to final City Council approval.
- C-A-2** Request that the City Council consider declaring certain City of Tyler vehicles, equipment, and miscellaneous items as surplus and authorize for auction.
- C-A-3** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase various vehicles from Buy Board, HGAC Cooperative, and lowest qualified bid received.
- C-A-4** Request that the City Council consider accepting a Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) Grant totaling \$50,000 for general maintenance programs at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport and adopting an ordinance amending the FY 2013-2014 Airport Budget to provide the funding for the local share.
- C-A-5** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute a Commercial Service Agreement with SuddenLink for fiber connection at the City facility located at 14939 CR 46 in the amount of \$49,000 and a reoccurring monthly charge of \$340.

- C-A-6** Request that the City Council consider adoption of an updated Resolution approving the continued participation in the Texas State DIR (Department of Information Resources) Program and General Services Commission Local Government Purchasing Program, and authorizing the City Manager to renew several annual leases for technology equipment including computers, software, and telephones from approved vendors previously obtained through this program for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. (R-2013-24)

Motion by Councilmember Bowdre; seconded by Councilmember Whatley; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. New Organizational Chart that took effect October 1, 2013, which includes 3 new Key Leaders – Guillermo Garcia, Russ Jackson, and Heather Nick

RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION – No executive session needed.

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.

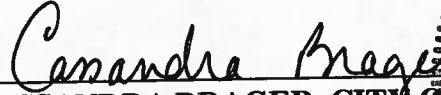
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Mezayek to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 am; seconded by Councilmember Moore; motion carried 7 - 0 & meeting adjourned.



BARBARA BASS, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:



CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

