#### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS September 10, 2014

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

> Martin Heines Mayor:

Mayor Pro Tem: Darryl Bowdre Councilmembers: Mark Whatley

> Sam Mezayek **Edward Moore**

John Nix Don Warren

Susan Guthrie Interim City Manager:

Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean Asst. City Attorney: **Sharon Roberts** 

Airport Manager: **Davis Dickson** 

Director for Innovation: Guillermo Garcia

Managing Director for Administration: ReNissa Wade Manager for Organizational Development: Kristi Boyett

Chief Financial Officer: Keidric Trimble

City Engineer: Carter Delleney City Fire Chief: Tim Johnson

Managing Director for Public Safety

Gary Swindle & Police Chief:

Director of Parks and Recreation: Stephanie Rollings

> Director of Solid Waste: Russ Jackson

Senior Public Relations Specialist: Serena Butcher Heather Nick

Director of Planning:

Managing Director for Utilities/Public

Works and Utilities: Greg Morgan Traffic Engineer: Peter Eng

City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

# **INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Darryl Bowdre.

# **MINUTES**

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to approve the August 27, 2014 and September 4, 2014 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

# **EMPLOYEE AWARDS - RECOGNITIONS, SERVICE**

### **A-1** New Hires Recognitions

The following employees were hired by the City of Tyler during the month of Aug. 2014. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome these new employees.

#### **New Employees**

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:	POSITION:	DEPARTMENT:
Drew	Danielson	Airport Operations Supervisor	Airport
Gilberto	Ramirez	Access Associate Part-Time	Library
Eddie	Martinez	Laborer	Parks & Recreation
Frank	Ramirez	Laborer	Parks & Recreation
Jenny	Wells	Recreation Specialist Part-Time	Parks & Recreation
William	Wooley	Laborer	Parks & Recreation
Kevin	Molina	Planning Intern	Planning
Kirston	Welch	Administrative Assistant	Planning
Ethan	Sala	Public Service Officer	Police
Pedro	Medina, Jr.	Semi-Skilled Laborer	Streets
Natalie	Valle	Senior Clerk	Water Distribution

# **ZONING**

Z-1 C-09-14-004 DOWN SOUTH ENTERPRISES, LLC (PORTION OF OLD KILGORE HIGHWAY) Request that the City Council consider closing an unimproved portion of Old Kilgore Highway right-of-way. The right-of-way is located at the southwest corner of Lot 2B of NCB 929. (O-2014-74) Councilmember Whatley exit (abstained)

Motion by Councilmember Mezayek; seconded by Councilmember Warren; motion carried 6 - 0 - 1 & approved as presented.

Councilmember Whatley returns.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

H-1 Request that the City Council consider conducting a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget and on the proposed property tax rate of \$0.220000 per \$100 of taxable property value and consider taking action to adopt the proposed tax rate on Sept. 24, 2014 at the City Council's regularly scheduled meeting.

<u>Keidric Trimble, Chief Financial Officer</u> - City Council received a presentation from Keidric Trimble, then went into a public hearing and received comments from citizens.

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<u>Larry Meckley</u>, 401 Sutherland – Asked City Council to revise the budget and refund the million dollars it cost to create the Tyler 21 Plan. Both Parks and Traffic were top priorities under the Tyler 21 Plan, but they have not been given sufficient attention.

<u>Ernie Clark, 4071 Stonebridge</u> – Thanked the City Council for its efficiency, effectiveness and the use of the taxpayers' money. City Council should be proud of its transparency.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

M-1 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the Interim City Manager to lease the ReCollect Waste Management App as a communication tool for both the Solid Waste Residential and Commercial customers for \$9,999 per year.

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 adopting a resolution agreeing to the sale of certain tracts of land located at 915 W. Queen within the Tyler city limits and owned by taxing entities including the City of Tyler. (R-2014-22)
- C-A-2 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the Interim City Manager to declare Tyler Water Utilities scrap brass, copper, water meters and miscellaneous metals as surplus and award Bid Number 14-058 to Meter Technologies of Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to approve the entire consent agenda; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

# **INTERIM CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Passed out the monthly CIP report

# RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION - No executive session

**Executive Item No. 1:** 

Under Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.087 "<u>Economic Development</u>" 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

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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; seconded by Councilmember Moone; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY