

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS
February 11, 2015**

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, February 11 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2nd floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor: Martin Heines
Mayor Pro Tem: Darryl Bowdre
Councilmembers: Mark Whatley
Sam Mezayek
Edward Moore
John Nix
Don Warren

City Manager: Edward Broussard
City Attorney: Deborah G. Pullum
Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean
Director for Innovation: Guillermo Garcia
Managing Director for Administration: ReNissa Wade
Manager for Organizational Development: Kristi Boyett
Chief Financial Officer: Keidric Trimble
Chief Information Officer: Benny Yazdanpanahi
City Engineer: Carter Delleney
Managing Director for Public Safety
& Police Chief: Gary Swindle
Director of Parks and Recreation: Stephanie Rollings
Transit Manager: Heather Bolestridge
Internal Auditor:
Director of Solid Waste: Russ Jackson
Vehicle/Equipment Services Manager: Leroy Sparrow
Senior Public Relations Specialist: Serena Butcher
Director of Planning: Heather Nick
Managing Director for Utilities/Public
Works and Utilities: Greg Morgan
City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

Mayor Heines introduced Walter Perez, Principal of Austin Elementary School as the Mayor for the day.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Bowdre.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to approve the January 28, 2015 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

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EMPLOYEE AWARDS – RECOGNITIONS, SERVICE

A-1 New Hires Recognitions

The following employees were hired by the City of Tyler during the month of January 2015. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome these new employees.

New Employees

FIRST NAME:	LAST NAME:	POSITION:	DEPARTMENT:
Lauren	Maynard	Administrative Secretary	Fire
Mary	Foster	Museum Curator	Parks
Troy	Osborne	Police Recruit	Police
Owen	Crawford	Police Recruit	Police
Robert	Morales	Police Recruit	Police
Jeremy	Thompson	Police Recruit	Police
Jacob	Walker	Police Recruit	Police
Demon	Savage	Mechanic I	VES
Jelani	Gardner	Laborer	Wastewater
Carlos	Perez	Laborer	Wastewater Collection
Thomas	Blaylock	Utility Maintenance Repairer	Wastewater Collection
Tracy	Pethick	Customer Service Representative	Water Business Office
William	Chavez	Semi-Skilled Laborer	Water Distribution
Mark	Hagen	Laborer	Water Plant – Golden Road

A-2 Blueprint Award

Request that the City Council consider recognizing City employees as the Blueprint Blue Ribbon Award winners for the month of February, for placing the highest premium on responsiveness to citizens' needs.

The City Council recognized Guillermo Garcia, Kristi Boyett, Angie Brockway, Heather Bolestridge, Drew Brown and Morgan Lawrence as the Blueprint Blue Ribbon Award winners for the month of February.

PRESENTATIONS

P-1 Request that the City Council consider accepting an award from Smith County as a

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token of their appreciation for the City's support of the jail project.

Judge Joel Baker and Commissioner Jeff Warr presented a brick award to the City as a token of appreciation for the City's support of the jail project.

RESOLUTION

R-1 Request that the City Council consider a resolution calling an election for May 9, 2015 to fill the offices of Tyler City Council Members for Single Member District Numbers 1, 3 and 5 on the Tyler City Council and calling for a joint election with Smith County, Tyler Independent School District and Whitehouse Independent School District. (R-2015-2)

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

MISCELLANEOUS

M-1 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to ratify the order and purchase of kennels to house animals in the City of Tyler's temporary animal care facility in the amount of \$49,501.

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

M-2 Request that the City Council consider reviewing and accepting the Revenue and Expenditure Report for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 2014.

Motion by Councilmember Mezayek; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bowdre; 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 authorizing the City Manager to purchase a new 2015 John Deere Tiger Boom Mower.

C-A-2 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to utilize various purchasing cooperatives for parts and service and various vendors as sole source for parts and service.

C-A-3 Request that the City Council consider reviewing and accepting the Investment Report for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 2014.

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C-A-4 Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Election Contract with Smith County to perform certain joint election services for City Council Election to be held May 9, 2015 as part of the joint election with Tyler Independent School District and Whitehouse Independent School District.

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

B-1 Request that the City Council consider making an appointment to the Tyler Health Facilities Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Motion by Councilmember Whatley to appoint Larry Bolton; seconded by Councilmember Moore; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. City Manager, Ed Broussard thanked the staff and community for a warm welcome.
2. Handed out an updated CIP report.

RECESS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION – No executive session

Executive Item No. 1:

Under Tex. Gov't Code 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 Tex. Gov't Code 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 Whatley to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 am; seconded by Councilmember Mezayek; motion carried 7 - 0 & meeting adjourned.

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MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:


CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

