



City of Rowlett

Meeting Minutes

City Council

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Tuesday, June 2, 2015

6:45 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Dana-Bashian, Councilmember van Bloemendaal and Councilmember Sheffield

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There are no scheduled Executive Session items.

3. WORK SESSION (6:45 P.M.) * Times listed are approximate.

3A. Discuss July 4th Celebration for 2015. (20 minutes)

Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation, discussed logistics for the event related to traffic and parking, the provision of shuttles, and the promotion of the event and change of location. He further explained plans for inclement weather and potential relocation as a result.

3B. Discuss a proposed interlocal cooperation agreement for governmental services relating to a School Resource Officer Program between the City of Rowlett and the Garland Independent School District. (20 minutes)

Lt. Marvin Gibbs and Police Chief Mike Brodnax provided information regarding GISD's proposal for additional SRO's, including the number of officers and the provision of funds for salary and equipment.

4. DISCUSS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz requested clarification on item 7C. Councilmember Bobbitt requested clarification on item 7B.

Council took a short break at 7:20 p.m.

CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (7:30 P.M.)*

Council reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION – Frank Solis, Rowlett Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- 5A.** Proclamation recognizing the 2015 Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission’s Writing Contest winners.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz presented the proclamations to the winners:

Adult Division

Poetry category: Alan Winn for his poem entitled, “Synergy.”

Short Stories category: Marilyn Bland for her short story entitled, “Grey Wolf.”

Short Works category: Monica Berry for her short works entitled, “A Sari in the Desert.”

Youth Division

Poetry category: Hannah Kardos for her poem entitled, “The Raven That Was Like a Writing Desk.”

Short Stories category: Aubrey Schmidt for her short story entitled, “I Love Spring.”

Short Works category: Amyria Warren for her short works entitled, “Beauty AND BODIES.”

- 5B.** American Heart Association Award Presentation to Rowlett Fire Rescue and City of Rowlett for 2015 Mission Lifeline Gold Level Agency award.

Ms. Raj, with the American Heart Association, presented the award to Chris Weinzapfel, EMS Director, and Fire Chief Neil Howard.

- 5C.** Presentation recognizing the City of Rowlett for receiving the 2015 Driehaus Honorable Mention Award from the Form-Based Code Institute recognizing today’s best form-based codes.

Councilmember Dana-Bashian presented the award to members of the Planning Department.

- 5D.** Presentation of Proclamation in recognition of Rowlett residents' participation in the 2015 Boston Marathon.

Mayor Pro Tem Gallops presented proclamations to Gregg MacInnis, Tiffany Hauerwas, and Ryan Martin's son Evan, who accepted on his behalf.

- 5E.** Hear presentation of the Monthly Financial report for the period ending April 30, 2015.

Wendy Badgett, Interim Finance Director, presented the report.

- 5F.** Hear Second Quarter Investment Report for March 31, 2015.

Wendy Badgett, Interim Finance Director, presented the report.

- 5G.** Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

Mayor Gattel announced the following: Council Meetings – next regular Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16th. Special work session will be held Tuesday, June 9th in the Annex Conference Room. P & Z meetings – Tuesday, June 9th and 23rd – held in the City Hall Conference Room at 6pm. Rowlett Library – the library is now open and ready for your business at their new location: 5702 Rowlett Road. Upcoming events: summer reading programs – run from June 8th through July 31st. Children, teens and adults are invited to join the summer reading programs. The summer reading program is offered at no charge to participants through the sponsorship of the Friends of Rowlett Public Library, Inc. For more information on any of the reading programs, stop by the reference desk or call 972-412-6161 on June 1st. Early registration is from Monday, June 1st through Sunday, June 7th. Register online at rowlett.com/library. Summer reading kick-off party – Monday, June 8th, 12 noon at 5702 Rowlett Road. Parks and Recreation – upcoming events: Fireworks at Bayside! Saturday, July 4th from 6 – 10pm; headliner: Sister Sledge. Food and fun – all your favorite festival foods and lots of activities for the kids. Wet Zone is open and offers hours of fun for your family! Visit www.wetzonewaterpark.com for more information about prices and hours of operation. Check out Camp Rowlett – summer fun in your own hometown! Utility billing – introducing Mint Bills – a new and convenient way to pay your Rowlett utility bill – download the app for free. Pay utility bill with all major credit cards including American Express. Sign up for both recurring check and credit card payments, receive payment confirmations or a make onetime payment. All bills and accounts in one centralized place; schedule future payments and have the option to receive alerts. Customers currently using Netbill for recurring payments will have until July 1st to migrate over to Mint Bills. Animal Shelter – next low cost vaccine clinic at Animal Shelter – Saturday, June 20th, 1 – 3pm. Shelter is open Monday – Saturday, 10am – 5pm.

Monica Patterson, Animal Control Officer, brought Koala, a lab mix, to visit. She is one of the many animals available for adoption at the Rowlett Animal Shelter. For more information, you can call 972-412-6219.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

There were no speakers.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7A.** Consider action to approve minutes from the May 12, 2015, City Council Work Session and the May 19, 2015, City Council Regular Meeting.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 7B.** Consider action to approve a resolution entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Dallas Independent School District, which will allow both governmental entities to cooperatively purchase goods and services under each other's competitively bid contracts.

This item was approved as RES-067-15 on the Consent Agenda.

- 7C.** Consider an update to the Master Fee Schedule to include the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission fee structure in its entirety.

This item was approved as RES-068-15 on the Consent Agenda.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Dana-Bashian, including all the preceding items marked as having been approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 8A.** Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance approving a Major Warrant for a monument sign for a civic building in the Form Based Urban Village District on property located at 8601 Liberty Grove Road. (MW15-784).

Erin Jones, Senior Planner, presented the background information for this item. The public hearing opened and closed with no speakers.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was adopted as ORD-021-15.

- 8B.** Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance approving a Planned Development rezoning request with a base zoning district of Limited Office (O-1) with an allowance for multi-family senior housing on property located at 5500 Rowlett Road. (PD15-783).

Erin Jones, Senior Planner, presented the background information for this item. The public hearing opened and closed with three speakers:

1. Glenn Clegg, 5810 Greenway Drive, Rowlett; spoke in opposition.
2. Tony Sisk, for applicant; provided additional details and clarification.
3. Ana Martinez, 5906 Independence Ct., Rowlett; spoke in opposition.

A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a vote of six in favor and one abstention (Pankratz). This item was adopted as ORD-022-15.

- 8C.** Consider action to approve a resolution appointing a Mayor Pro Tem as prescribed in the City Charter.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dana-Bashian, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Pankratz, to select Michael Gallops as Mayor Pro Tem. The motion carried with a vote of six in favor and one abstention (Gallops). This item was adopted as RES-069-15.

- 8D.** Consider action to approve a resolution appointing a Deputy Mayor Pro Tem as prescribed in the City Charter.


A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, seconded by Councilmember Bobbitt, to select Tammy Dana-Bashian as Deputy Mayor Pro Tem. The motion carried with a vote of six in favor and one abstention (Dana-Bashian). This item was adopted as RES-070-15.

TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

There was no action taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.



Todd W. Gottel, Mayor



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: June 16, 2015

