The City of Balcones Heights
Regular City Council Meeting
3300 Hillcrest Drive
Balcones Heights, TX 78201

Minutes

Date: August 22, 2016                     TIME:  6:00 p.m.

Members Present:  Suzanne de Leon       Miguel Valverde       Jack Burton
                  Charles White         Lamar Gillian

Members Absent:  None

Sign in Sheet:   H.J. Hannasch           Robert Vargas Jr.     Javier Salazar
                 Roger Lawhead          Bill Johnson             Raymond Felan

CALL TO ORDER AND RECORDING OF QUORUM

Meeting was called to order and quorum was present.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U. S. A. AND TEXAS FLAGS

Councilmember Burton gave the invocation and led pledges.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Javier Salazar - Democratic candidate for Sheriff came up to speak and offered his services if elected.

1. PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES:
   a. Jazz Festival 2016 Recap and Slideshow Presentation - Lorenzo Nastasi

Mr. Nastasi came up and presented a slideshow of Jazz Festival 2016.
   b. Update Website and Preview – Lorenzo Nastasi

Mr. Nastasi came up and gave a power point presentation and update on the new website.

Item #14 Executive Session was addressed before Item #2 Consent Agenda Items.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:
   a. Approval of minutes for Special Meeting of July 25, 2016
   b. Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting of July 25, 2016

MOTION: Motion to approve in its entirety.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian  Second: Councilmember Burton   4/0/0  PASSED
BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Item #8 Budget Workshop was addressed before Item #3 Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3. Public Hearing on Proposed Budget for FY 2016-17 – Conduct a public hearing regarding the adoption of the FY 2016-17 Budget. (Second required public hearings)

Public Hearing opened at 8:31 p.m. and closed at 8:32 p.m.

4. Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate – Conduct a public hearing regarding the adoption of the FY 2016-17 Tax Rate. (Second required public hearings)

Public Hearing opened and closed at 8:32 p.m.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

5. Consideration and ACTION regarding approval of bid proposal for Leisure Drive Phase I project. (Hoyl)

The city received 7 bid proposals with San Antonio Construction coming in with the lowest bid.

MOTION: Motion to approve. (Bid from San Antonio Construction)

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian  Second: Councilmember Burton  4/0/0  PASSED

6. Consideration and ACTION to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with San Antonio Water System for utility improvements as part of the Leisure Drive Phase I project. (Hoyl)

MOTION: Motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian  Second: Councilmember Valverde  4/0/0  PASSED

7. Consideration and ACTION to adopt an ordinance expanding the authority of the City Administrator or his/her designee to issue citations for violations. (Hoyl)

MOTION: So moved. (to approve adopting ordinance)

Motion by: Councilmember Valverde  Second: Councilmember Gillian  3/2/0  PASSED

Nay Vote: Councilmember Burton and Councilmember White
Mayor de Leon voted to break tie with a Yay

WORKSHOP

8. Third workshop on the FY 2016-17 proposed budget and tax rate.

Topics discussed in Budget Workshop #3
• Public Works Vehicle Replacement
• Finance Director Salary Adjustment
• Ad Valorem Rate
• Budget Revenues

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS:

9. Department Report Q&A (Reports included in Packet)

10. Announcements by City Administrator
    a. Citizen Kudos
    b. Recognition of City employee actions
    c. New Departmental Initiatives

11. Requests by Mayor and Council Members for items to be placed on a future City Council agenda.

12. Announcements by Mayor and Council Members
    a. City and community events attended and to be attended
    b. City Council Committee and Liaison Assignments
    c. Continuing education events attended and to be attended
    d. Recognition of actions by City employees
    e. Recognition of actions by community volunteers

EXECUTIVE SESSION:  6:28 p.m.

13. Discussion pursuant to §551.086 of the Texas Government Code (Economic Development) regarding economic development project utilizing city owned property.

14. Discussion pursuant to §551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Consultation with Attorney) regarding abatement of nuisance and unsafe structure at 201 Glenarm Place.

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:  6:45 p.m.

15. Council may take ACTION in open session on items discussed in Executive Session.

Item #14 Motion: Motion to direct staff to proceed with action on this property if application is not in by Friday and demolition not done in 30 days or the city will demo and place lien on property.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian    Second: Councilmember Valverde    3/2/0    PASSED

Nay Vote: Councilmember Burton and Councilmember White

Mayor de Leon broke the tie and voted to approve the motion on the table.
ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Submitted by:

DELIA FLORES
City Secretary

Minutes were approved by City Council at the September 26, 2016 Regular meeting.