

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

Minutes

Date: October 24, 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: None

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

Damon Mason – 4515 Fredericksburg Rd. – Was called up to speak on Agenda Item #3.

1. PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES:

- a. Update – Consultant Walter Serna

Mr. Serna was not present at this meeting.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Approval of minutes for Regular meeting of September 26, 2016
- b. Finance Report for the month of August September 2016
- c. Quarterly Investment Report Ending September 30,2016

MOTION: I make a motion to approve in its entirety.

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

BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 3. City Council will conduct a **Public Hearing** to hear from the public on the application for Special Use Permit submitted by Frank Mumme (tenant) to run a Bar-Indoor (Tavern) at 4515 Fredericksburg Rd.

Public Hearing opened at 6:06 p.m.

Damon Mason – Safety Issues at Tavern and disapproval of approving the Special Use Permit.

Community Development Director Rita Hoyl gave a power point presentation submittal of application timeline to date.

James McKnight representative of property owner came up and gave a power point on proposed changes and upgrades to property.

Public Hearing closed at 6:25 p.m.

4. City Council will **approve/disapprove** Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation on the application for a Special Use Permit submitted by Frank Mumme for property located on 4515 Fredericksburg Road.

There was a question and answer period. The Public Hearing was opened up again at 6:40 p.m. to allow a citizen to speak. Donavon Rodriguez came up to show his support in approving the Special Use Permit. Public Hearing then closed at 6:43 p.m.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve the Planning and Zoning's recommendation to deny approval of the Special Use Permit.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Valverde 3/1/0 PASSED

Nay Vote: Councilmember White

5. City Council will discuss and direct staff on whether to prepare an ordinance to allow extended hours for sale of mixed beverages and beer in the City of Balcones Heights.

Item #5 was pulled.

6. Second Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Balcones Heights, implementing a Temporary Moratorium for 90 days on issuing sign permits within the city limits for the purpose of erecting, relocating, or altering signs.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve a temporary moratorium for 90 days.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Burton 3/0/0 PASSED

Councilmember White stepped out of the room and did not vote on this item.

7. Consideration and **ACTION** to reschedule the November 28th and December 26th Regular City Council meetings. (Harris)

Staff recommendation to move dates of Regular Meetings from November 28th to November 21st and from December 26th to December 19th.

MOTION: So moved. (To approve)

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

8. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve a resolution in recognition of Municipal Court Week.

MOTION: Motion to approve.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS:

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

Question and answer period on Department reports.

10. Announcements by City Administrator

- a. Citizen Kudos
- b. Recognition of City employee actions
- c. New Departmental Initiatives

- Clean Up Participation
- Brush Pick Up
- St. Gregory's Festival
- VIA Bus Rodeo – David Harris – 2nd Place

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

None

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

- Recognition of National Night Out Participation
- Attendance at Grand Opening
- Recognition of Reserve Officers
- Recognition of Police Officers
- St. Gregory's Gala
- Future events – Halloween and Christmas
- TML Conference
- TML Webinar
- Fire Department equipment

	Audit/Investment/Budget	BHPOA Negotiations	Code Enforcement	Infrastructure & Facilities	Planning & Zoning	Website
Mayor de Leon	+	+	+		+	+
Councilmember Pl. 1-Vacant						
Councilmember Pl. 2-Valverde	X	X	X		X	
Councilmember Pl. 3-Burton				X	X	
Councilmember Pl. 4-Gillian	X	X				
Councilmember Pl. 5-White				X		X
City Administrator	X	X		X	X	
Community Development Dir			X	X		
Economic Development Dir						X
Fire Chief				X		
Police Chief		X	X			
Finance Director	X					

+ = Ex Officio

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:08 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 §551.074 (Personnel Matters) regarding interviews and appointment to fill vacancy of City Council Place 1.
15. Discussion pursuant to §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) regarding photo enforcement (Red Light Safety Camera).
16. Discussion pursuant to §551.086 of the Texas Government Code (Economic Development) regarding 380 agreements with Wonderland of the Americas Mall.

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: 8:01 p.m.

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

Motion on Item #14: I would like to make a motion to appoint Stephen Lara to fill the vacancy of Council Place One.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Valverde 3/1/0 PASSED

Nay Vote: Councilmember White

First Motion on Item #16: I would like to make a motion that we approve the 380 Agreement for Property Tax Abatement with the Wonderland of the Americas.

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

Second Motion on Item #16: I would like to make a motion that we approve the 380 Agreement for Sales Tax Abatement with the Wonderland of the Americas.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Submitted by:

DELIA FLORES, TRMC
City Secretary