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

DATE: February 25, 2019 TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Suzanne de Leon Stephen Lara Jesse Pacheco
Jack Burton Lamar Gillian Charles White

Members Absent: None

Sign in Sheet: Miguel C. Valverde Roger Lawhead Henry Hannasch
Juan M. Lecea Christie A. Brown Frank Arredondo
Gloria Cantu John Halpin

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 Gillian gave the invocation and led pledges.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no citizens signed up to be heard.

1. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Carport Committee Briefing (Hoyl)

Director of Community Development Rita Hoyl gave a briefing on the Carport Committee Meeting informed Council that this item will be placed in the next Planning and Zoning meeting for discussion.

b. TML Video – Our Home Our Decisions (Mayor)

A video was shown that was presented at the last annual TML Conference entitled Our Home Our Decisions. There was technical difficulties and video was shown at a later time during the meeting.

Attorney Frank Garza arrived at 6:04 p.m.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Approval of minutes for Workshop meeting of January 14, 2019
b. Approval of minutes for Regular meeting of January 28, 2019
c. Finance Report for the month of January 2019

Correction on minutes of January 14, 2019 to show that Councilmember Lara was not present.
MOTION: Motion to approve as amended.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian  Second: Councilmember Pacheco  5/0/0  PASSED

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TML Video was shown prior to Item 3.

   (Messick/Kim Roach)

Auditor Kim Roach gave the highlights of the FY 2018-19 finances.

MOTION: Motion to accept. (Audit report for FY ending September 30, 2018)

Motion by: Councilmember Pacheco  Second: Councilmember Gillian  5/0/0  PASSED

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4. Consideration and ACTION on a Resolution authorizing the submittal of a Community Development Block Grant application for Vivian Lane due March 15, 2019. (Hoyl)

Mrs. Hoyl came up and informed council of the upcoming due date to submit CDBG application and recommended approval of Resolution requesting $300,000.00 from the county with a $404,000.00 city match for the Vivian Lane Project.

MOTION: I make a motion the CDBG grant application for Vivian Lane.

Motion by: Councilmember White  Second: Councilmember Gillian  5/0/0  PASSED

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5. Consideration and ACTION on a Resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Live Oak for holding and humane disposal of dogs and cats. (Hoyl)
Mrs. Hoyl gave background on this item and recommended approval of the Resolution authorizing an Interlocal agreement with the City of Live Oak.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve as it stands.

Motion by: Councilmember Pacheco  Second: Councilmember Gillian  5/0/0  PASSED

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6. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance amending the Council Relations Policy.  
(White)

The City Attorney went over the changes discussed at the previous meeting.

MOTION: To approve revisions:

- Article 2B adding sections 10 and 11
- Article 2C adding section 9
- Add to second paragraph in Article II A – Notification within three days

Motion by: Councilmember White  Second: Councilmember Pacheco

Motion amended: To withdraw the notification within three days and approve (City Council Policy) as written.

Motion by: Councilmember White  Second: Councilmember Pacheco  4/1/0  PASSED

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7. Discussion regarding a Tobacco 21 Ordinance and council’s direction to staff. (Hoyl)

There was not any support from Council for this item to go forward.

8. Consideration and **ACTION** to create a Welcoming Committee to visit new resident homeowners with information about Balcones Heights, to include important phone numbers, sign up for newsletters, and inform about city meetings and events. (Mayor)

MOTION: Motion to table.

Motion by: Councilmember Pacheco  Second: Councilmember Burton  4/1/0  PASSED
9. Discussion and **ACTION** on planning how to fund Glenarm Place Phase 2, Vivian Lane, and Hillcrest; while considering a funding source to contribute towards future CDBG programs on residential streets. (White)

**MOTION:** Motion to discuss

Motion by: Councilmember Pacheco   Second: Councilmember Burton

Amended Motion:  Wait to discuss on March 11th with presentation from Mr. Harris and staff.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian   Second: Councilmember Pacheco  5/0/0  PASSED

10. Update on 2019-2020 Legislative Session. (Mayor)

   - Tax Reform
   - Red Light Cameras

11. Department Reports and Q&A (Police Department, Fire Department, Community Development, Finance, and Economic Development & Public Affairs)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS:**

12. Announcements by City Administrator

   - March 10th – Daylight Savings Time
   - March 21st – New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce Meet and Greet

13. Announcements by Mayor and Council Members

   - Mayor attending Elected Officials Conference – San Marcos

14. Agenda Item Requests by Mayor and Council Members to be placed on a future City Council agenda.

   - Dr. Seuss Day at Baskin

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 8:07 p.m.
15. Discussion pursuant to §551.086 (Economic Development) of the Texas Government Code regarding possible business development near or around Fredericksburg Road.

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

16. Council may act in open session on items discussed in Executive Session.

Meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m. and there was no action.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

DELIA R. SANCHEZ
City Secretary