

HUMBLE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

MARCH 23, 2006 - 6:30 P.M.

HELD AT CITY HALL, 114 WEST HIGGINS, HUMBLE, TEXAS

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Donnie McMannes, Presiding
Mayor Pro Tempore Allan Steagall
Councilman Merle Aaron
Councilman Bill Conner
Councilman Andy Curry
Councilman Allen Lee
City Manager Darrell Boeske
City Secretary Sue Daniel

EMPLOYEES PRESENT:
Assistant City Manager Mark Martin
Fire Marshal Clint Johnson
Chief Gary Warman, HPD
Finance Director Dixie Kellum
Director of Public Works Barry Brock
Assistant Chief Mike Legoudes, HFD
Officer Nathan Ball, HPD
Betty Hogan, HPD

VISITORS PRESENT:
Kevin Pearson
Matt Lennon, Troop 727
Merle Callis
Rick Simmons
Mark Johnson
Suzanne West
Barbara Vosbein
Linda Aaron
Michael Miller, Troop 727
James Lennon
Billie J. Callis
John Thames
Kelly Hunter
Howard Mittag
Rodney Heaton

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Donnie McMannes at 6:30 p.m. with all members present.

1. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Assistant City Manager Mark Martin gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. MINUTES - REGULAR MEETINGS OF FEBRUARY 23, AND MARCH 9, 2006

Minutes of the meetings of February 23 and March 9, 2006 were presented to the mayor and councilmembers for approval. Councilman Allen Lee moved the minutes be approved as printed and circulated.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

3. CURRENT INVOICES

Invoices were presented to the mayor and councilmembers for approval of payment.

<u>Accounts Payable:</u>	
General Fund	\$ 285,554.88
W/S Operating Fund	<u>79,941.51</u>
Total	\$ 365,496.39

<u>Manual Checks:</u>	
General Fund	\$ 4,375.70
W/S Operating Fund	<u>36,543.79</u>
Total	\$ 40,919.49

Councilman Andy Curry moved the invoices be paid.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

4. PRESENTATION OF AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 - FITTS, ROBERTS & CO., MR. MARK JOHNSON

Mark Johnson of Fitts, Roberts & Co. presented the audit recently performed by his company for the fiscal year 2004-2005. Mr. Johnson thanked Finance Director Dixie Kellum and the staff for their help in conducting the audit. Mr. Johnson stated that the city has a clean opinion and is in good financial shape. Mayor Donnie McMannes moved the audit be accepted.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

5. CERTIFICATION BY CITY SECRETARY OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR MAY 13, 2006 GENERAL ELECTION

Certification of unopposed candidates for the General Election to be held May 13, 2006 was presented to the mayor and councilmembers.

CERTIFICATION OF CITY SECRETARY

I, Sue Daniel, hereby certify that I am the City Secretary of the City of Humble, Texas, and the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared for the general municipal election of May 13, 2006. I further hereby certify, pursuant to Section 2.052, Texas Election code, that the candidates are unopposed for election to the offices to be on the ballot in the May 13, 2006, general municipal election as follows:

Allen L. Lee is unopposed for election to the office of Councilman Position No.3.

Allan J. Steagall is unopposed for election to the office of Councilman Position No. 4.

Merle Aaron is unopposed for election to the office of Councilman Position No.5.

I further certify that no candidates' names are to be placed on lists of write-in candidates for the positions of Councilman Position No. 3, Councilman Position No. 4 or Councilman Position No. 5 to appear on the ballot in the May 13, 2006, general municipal election, and that there are no propositions to appear on the ballot in said election.

To certify which, witness my hand and seal of the City of Humble, Texas, this 21st day of March, 2006.

Mayor McMannes moved the certification of unopposed candidates be accepted.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 06-621 DECLARING THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICES OF COUNCILMAN POSITION NO. 3, COUNCILMAN POSITION NO. 4 AND COUNCILMAN POSITION NO. 5 AS ELECTED; PROVIDING THAT THE MAY 13, 2006 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE ORDINANCE WAS PASSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ordinance No. 06-621 was presented to the mayor and councilmembers for approval.

ORDINANCE NO. 06-621

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS DECLARING THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR COUNCILMAN POSITION NO. 3, COUNCILMAN, POSITION NO. 4 AND COUNCILMAN POSITION NO. 5 AS ELECTED; PROVIDING THAT THE MAY 13, 2006 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE ORDINANCE WAS PASSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Bill Conner moved Ordinance No. 06-621 be approved.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

7. ORDINANCE NO. 06-622 AMENDING CITY OF HUMBLE ORDINANCE NO. 05-606, PASSED AND APPROVED THE 13TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005 AND BEING AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "CITY OF HUMBLE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006", BY ADDING TO THE BUDGET ADOPTED HEREBY AN ADDENDUM NO. 2;

PROVIDING FOR A CERTAIN AMENDMENT TO SUCH BUDGET; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS; AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

ORDINANCE NO. 06-622

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF HUMBLE ORDINANCE NO. 05-606, PASSED AND APPROVED THE 13TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005 AND BEING AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "CITY OF HUMBLE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006", BY ADDING TO THE BUDGET ADOPTED HEREBY AN ADDENDUM NO. 2; PROVIDING FOR A CERTAIN AMENDMENT TO SUCH BUDGET; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS; AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT.

WHEREAS, following proper notice and public hearing, the City Council adopted the "City of Humble Budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2006"; and

WHEREAS, due to economic growth and an increase in sales tax revenue to the City during stated fiscal period an amendment to said budget is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Humble, Texas hereby finds and determines that public necessities require the adoption of such amendment; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS:

Section 1. The facts and matters set forth in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct.

Section 2. City of Humble Ordinance No. 05-606 passed and approved the 13th day of September, 2005 is hereby amended by adding to the "City of Humble Budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2006" adopted thereby, Addendum No. 2, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Section 3. That the City Secretary be authorized and directed to cause a true and correct copy of Addendum No. 2 to be attached to "City of Humble Budget for Fiscal Year 2005-2006" on file in the Office of the City Secretary.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2006.

Councilman Allan Steagall moved Ordinance No. 06-622 be approved.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 06-653 SUPPORTING A DEVELOPMENT TO BE KNOWN AS PINNACLE OF PLEASANT HUMBLE, A 168 UNIT DEVELOPMENT FOR SENIORS TO BE LOCATED IN THE 1200 BLOCK OF FIRST STREET IN HUMBLE, TEXAS 77338 THE APPLICANT

City Manager Darrell Boeske presented Resolution No. 06-653 to the mayor and

councilmembers for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-653

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HUMBLE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING A DEVELOPMENT TO BE KNOWN AS PINNACLE OF PLEASANT HUMBLE, A 168 UNIT DEVELOPMENT FOR SENIORS TO BE LOCATED AT THE 1200 BLOCK OF FIRST STREET IN HUMBLE, TEXAS, 77338 THE APPLICANT BEING PINNACLE OF PLEASANT HUMBLE, LP; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S SUPPORT OF THIS DEVELOPMENT

Councilman Steagall moved Resolution No. 06-653 be approved.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

9. INSURANCE COMMITTEE - DENTAL INSURANCE

City Manager Boeske informed the mayor and councilmembers the city's dental insurance carrier, MetLife, had submitted a 23% increase in the annual premium. John Thames contacted several companies and received quotes for service. City Manager Boeske stated the Insurance Committee met and recommended contracting with GE Dental as the premium would be what the city is currently paying and the coverage would be raised from \$1,000.00 to \$ 1,500.00 per year. Mayor McMannes moved to accept the Insurance Committee recommendation.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

10. COMPETITIVE BIDS: SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION - PHASE II

Bids were received on March 8, 2006 for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project - Phase II.

Contractor	Base Bid	Add Alt. 1	Add Alt. 2	Total Bid
PM Construction	\$ 637,814.50	\$ 53,778.00	\$ 62,060.00	\$ 753,652.50
Horseshoe Construction	\$ 679,407.75	\$ 49,675.00	\$ 53,512.50	\$ 782,595.25
Allco, Ltd.	\$ 707,100.00	\$ 49,700.00	\$ 55,005.00	\$ 811,805.00
Bearden Contracting	\$ 720,110.00	\$ 61,645.00	\$ 54,550.00	\$ 836,305.00

Insituform Technologies	\$ 757,235.00	\$ 58,570.00	\$ 53,025.00	\$ 868,830.00
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City Manager Boeske stated the engineers, Claunch & Miller, recommended awarding the project to the low bidder PM Construction & Rehabilitation, LLP in the amount of \$753,652.50. Councilman Steagall moved the bid be awarded to PM Construction & Rehabilitation, LLP in the amount of \$753,652.50.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

11. REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS: EAST TOWNSEN BOULEVARD/NORTH HOUSTON AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS

City Manager Boeske presented a request from Director of Public Works Barry Brock to advertise for bids for the East Townsen Boulevard/North Houston Avenue Improvements Project. The project includes adding two additional lanes to East Townsen Boulevard from 1960 Bypass to North Houston Avenue and improving North Houston Avenue from Main Street to First Street. The estimated construction cost for the project is \$ 2,052,000.00. Councilman Lee moved to advertise for bids for the East Townsen Boulevard/North Houston Avenue Improvements Project.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

12. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO DESIGNATE NORTH HOUSTON AVENUE BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND FIRST STREET A ONE-WAY SOUTH BOUND STREET DURING STREET PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

A request was presented from Director of Public Works Barry Brock to designate North Houston Avenue a one-way street, south-bound only between Main Street and First Street during construction of North Houston Avenue. John Rudloff of Claunch & Miller recommended this action as it will shorten the construction time by two months and be a cost savings for the city. Councilman Curry moved to grant the request to designate North Houston Avenue a one-way southbound street during construction.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

13. APPROVE FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF TIMBERWOOD SECTION 9 AND RELEASE OF JMC HOMES MAINTENANCE BOND

City Manager Boeske reported to the mayor and councilmembers that the public works department had completed a final one year inspection to Timberwood Section 9 and found the work had been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the One-Year Maintenance Bond. The director of public works recommended Council approve the final acceptance of Timberwood Section 9 and release JMC Homes's One-Year Maintenance Bond. Mayor McMannes moved to approve final acceptance of Timberwood Section 9 and to release JMC Homes's maintenance bond.

Ayes: Aaron, Conner, Curry, Lee, McMannes, Steagall

Nays: None
Motion Carried.

14. TELECOMMUNICATIONS MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH PHONOSCOPE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

City Manager Boeske asked for action to be deferred on this item.

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transpire, Mayor McMannes moved the meeting be adjourned. Meeting Adjourned. 6:44 p.m.

D. G. McMannes
Mayor

ATTEST:

Sue Daniel, City Secretary