

City of Grand Prairie

City Hall 317 College Street Grand Prairie. Texas

Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

4:30 PM

City Hall - Briefing Room 317 College Street

Call to Order

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Present 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen

Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell
Council Member Jorja Clemson
Council Member Greg Giessner
Council Member Jim Swafford
Council Member Lila Thorn
Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Absent 1 - Council Member Jeff Copeland

Staff Presentations

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Mayor's Institute on City Design Presentation - Presented by Mayor Jensen

Mayor Jensen provided a trial run of the presentation he would be making the following day on the Central Park Project which would be discussed at the Mayor's Institute in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Presented

New Water Bill Collection Process - Presented by Ron McCuller, Public Works Director

Doug Cuny, Utility Services Manager, stated that a recent security audit recommended that collection of fees in the field be discontinued. He went through the process for collection of overdue payments and stated that in the past it was the practice to knock on the door at turnoff time to collect the bill. Now, a notice will be posted on the door and two days later if the bill is not paid, water will be turned off. Council Member Swafford asked how the customer would pay. Mr. Cuny said they could pay at the drive-through; in the office; electronically, or over the phone. Mr. Swafford asked what the fee is for a returned check. Mr. Cuny replied that the fee is \$35. Mr. Cuny said the program which allows customers to donate to Grand Prairie United Charities to assist with water bill payments requires the customer to go through financial training. He said that the system that will allow draft payments is almost ready to go live. The AMI meters will provide hourly readings and can notify customers of unusual situations, such as a leak. Council Member Giessner asked if that would read on the city side vs. the homeowner side. Mr. Cuny said that initially it will only read what goes through the meter, but there is an option for listening devices but he did not anticipate purchasing that equipment.

Presented

Library Summer Reading Challenge Success - Presented by Amy Sprinkles, Marketing/Library Director

Ms. Lenore St. John gave an overview of the Library Summer Reading Program which took place from June 2 – July 28. She said there were 3,549 participants which was an increase from 2,760 last year. There were 3,086 children who participated, 235 teens and 228 adults. Ms. St. John said the library held 145 programs which was an increase of 61% over 2013, with a total attendance of 5,541, which is a 47% increase from 2013.

Amy Sprinkles, Marketing and Library Director, stated she had hired Sara Dudelek as the new Tourism Manager.

Presented

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Flight of the Monarch - Presented by Mae Smith, Parks and Recreation Department

Mae Smith, Parks and Recreation, stated that the Flight of the Monarch would take place on September 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The parking situation will be greatly alleviated by shuttles from Dubiski to Central Park every 5 minutes. Ms. Smith said there will be bumper boats; remote control sailboats; a kid zone; arts and crafts; music; and three butterfly releases. Mayor Jensen invited Council to join him at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Smith said she anticipated 5-8,000 people to attend the event this year.

Presented

Agenda Review

Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe referred to Consent Agenda Item 7 (Tarrant County 9-1-1 Budget). He said the Tarrant County 9-1-1 board is required by state law that each participating entity review and approve the budget. Greg Petrey, Executive Director, Tarrant County 9-1-1, was present to answer questions.

Jim Cummings, Environmental Services Director, referred to Consent Agenda Item 29 (Gas Drilling Moratorium) and recommended extension of the moratorium for another year. He said the Corps is doing a study on the impact of drilling on dams. The next phase will be an external peer review and the Corps has asked the city to extend the moratorium for another year. He said the only site that is currently affected is the XTO site near SH360.

Mayor Jensen referred to Item 36 (Zoning Case Z140902). He said the applicant is Tom Hart, City Manager, who has his house up for sale and wants to move to this site. He said Mr. Hart wanted him to fully disclose that he was the applicant for this zoning case.

Council Member Swafford stated that the Financial Consideration for Item 39 (2014-15 Capital Improvement Budget0 stated that the funding source would contain General Obligation Bonds and this was not the case and would need to be removed from the funding sources. Mr. Swafford also made a correction to Item 40 (Water and Wastewater Fees) because of a clerical error in Section 26-30 which has a written amount of One Thousand Dollars, but should have had a written amount of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars to agree with the numerical amount of \$2,500.

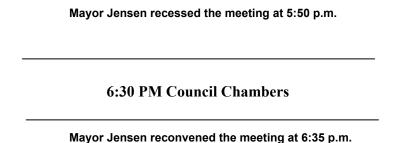
Council Member Swafford noted that with regard to the PID items, some PIDS are

getting high beginning balances and may need to look at reducing some of those with significantly high beginning balances. Tannie Camarata, Cash and Debt Manager, stated that one PID had raised the assessment for one year to fund a fence but then reduced it this year.

Executive Session

Mayor Jensen convened an executive session at 5:22 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Government Code, V.T.C.A., Section 551.087 "Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations." The executive session was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Recess Meeting



Emil Balliet, Police Chaplain, Grand Prairie Police Department, gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag and to the Texas Flag was led by Council Member Swafford.

Presentations

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Keep Texas Beautiful Awards - Presented by Tammy Chan, Special Projects Manager, Environmental Services Department

Tammy Chan, Special Projects Coordinator, presented the following awards:

Sadie Ray Graff Educators and Education Institution Awards: 1st Place Elementary Category: Lorenzo de Zavala Environmental Science Academy; 2nd Place Elementary Category: Juan Seguin Elementary; 3rd Place Elementary Category: Colin Powell Elementary - The Clean Team

Ruthe Jackson Youth Leadership Awards: 2nd Place Scout Troop Category: Girl Scout Troop 3217 for the "Recycle That Bicycle Project"; Honorable Mention Elementary Category: Colin Powell Elementary - The Clean Team

Presented

Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe moved, seconded by Council Member Swafford, to approve Items 6 through 31 on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Authorize Sale of Fifteen Tax Foreclosure Properties

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Reject bids for Central Park Repairs, Y#0980

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Price Agreement for transition couplings with HD Supply Waterworks, LTD (\$25,000 annually) and secondary with Fortiline Inc., for one year with the option to renew for four additional one year periods totaling \$125,000, if all extensions are exercised; and, authorize the City Manager to execute the renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal terms.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Purchase of a McCloskey R155 High Energy Screening Plant with double deck screen and apron feeder by the Solid Waste and Recycling Division from McCourt & Sons Equipment, Inc. for \$313,025 through a national interlocal agreement with BuyBoard.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

License for Private Use of City Right-of-Way (Curtiss Street behind 2015 E. Main Street)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Price agreement for Fire Station Employee Work Uniforms from Red the Uniform Tailor of Carrollton, TX for \$75,500 annually for one (1) year with the option to renew for four (4) additional one (1) year periods totaling \$377,500 if all extensions are exercised; and authorize the City Manager to execute the renewal options with aggregate price fluctuations of the lesser of up to \$50,000 or 25% of the original maximum price so long as sufficient funding is appropriated by the City Council to satisfy the City's obligation during the renewal terms.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

License for Urbano Velazquez to authorize the existing encroachments to remain in the right-of-way and a continuation of parking in the City right of way on Curtiss Street behind 2019 East Main Street.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

Resolution authorizing publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Certificates of Obligation

Adopted

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23	Resolution authorizing the city to enter into an interlocal agreement for aerial
	spraying for mosquitoes

Adopted

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for a grant from the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Roadway Incident Management Project for the Grand Prairie Police Department's purchase of roadway safety equipment (Roadway Flares, a Roadside Variable Message Board, and Traffic Safety Cones) in the amount \$33,607

Adopted

Ordinance authorizing the abandonment of an area designated as head-in parking on Curtiss Avenue behind 2015 East Main Street.

Adopted

Second and final reading of an ordinance of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas, amending the Utilities and Services Chapter of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Prairie, Texas by the amendment of Article VI relating to the regulation of garbage collection and disposal within the city; making this ordinance cumulative; containing a Savings Clause, providing a Severability Clause; providing a Penalty Clause; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to become effective upon its passage, approval and publication

Approved on Second and Final Reading

Second and final reading of an ordinance modifying a five-year franchise agreement for solid waste collection services with Republic Waste Services of Texas Ltd. to include a 3% rate increase for both residential and commercial solid waste customers

Approved on Second and Final Reading

Ordinance amending Schedule III of the Traffic Register by rescinding the existing 20mph reduced speed school zone for Meseta and establishing a new 20mph reduced speed school zones on Meseta.

Adopted

29 Ordinance extending the Gas Drilling Moratorium for one year

Adopted

Ordinance delineating the Police Department's authorized total of 259 Civil Service positions into each classification for Fiscal Year 2015.

Adopted

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Ordinance defining the Fire Department's authorized civil service positions in each classification for Fiscal Year 2015 for a total of 202 authorized civil service positions plus 3 overhire positions.

Adopted

Public Hearing Consent Agenda

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S080802A - Site Plan Amendment - La Quinta - 380 Palace Pkwy (City Council District 1). Approve a site plan amendment to change the elevations of an approved hotel. The 1.51-acre property, located at 380 Palace Pkwy., is zoned Planned Development 217 (PD-217) for mixed uses and is within the Belt Line Corridor Overlay District. The owner/applicant is Amish Patel, Aum Shanker LLC. (On September 8, 2014, the Planning and Zoning Commission tabled this case by a vote of 8 to 0 until the applicant reactivates the case.)

Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe moved, seconded by Council Member Thorn, to close the public hearing and table Case S080802A. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on Zoning Applications

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S140502 - Site Plan - Villas Grand Prairie - 2255 Arkansas Lane (City Council District 4). Approve a site plan for a multi-family residential development. The 12.28-acre property, located at 2255 Arkansas Lane, is zoned Planned Development 341 (PD-341) District and is within the S.H. 161 Overlay District. The agent is Daniel Dewey, JBI Partners, Inc. and the owner is Kim McCaslin Schlieker, Multi Family Land, LLC. (On September 8, 2014, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Jim Hinderaker, Chief City Planner, reviewed Case S140502. He said this is located in the SH161 Overlay District. The complex will have 449 units. He said the site plan feature 12.25 acres with 4 separate buildings in the Tuscan style. The buildings have some stucco component with brick and stone with a tile roof. Mr. Hinderaker said there will 166 1-bedroom units and 83 2-bedroom units. There are 399 parking spaces which exceeds requirements. Mr. Hinderaker said the site plan meets all requirements of the existing PD and staff recommended approval.

Kim McCaslin Schlieker, 2255 Arkansas, stated that they plan to break ground on this development in October. She stated she was present to answer questions along with the architect.

Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to close the public hearing and approve Case S140502. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

SU140702 - Specific Use Permit - 521 W. Marshall Drive (City Council District 2). A Specific Use Permit for Automotive Uses; Quick Lube & Tune Services (Oil Change), and Minor Auto Repair. The subject property is located at 521 W. Marshall Dr. and zoned General Retail District (GR). The owner/applicant is Pastor Gomez. (On September 8, 2014, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Hinderaker stated this was a continuation of this case from a previous council meeting for an automotive related business. He said the applicant had initially asked for tire change and sales but changed to state inspection, quik lube and tune services. The building has been vacant for several years. The applicant proposed to use Bay 1 for storage; Bay 2 for state inspections; and Bay 3 for quik lube and tune services. Mr. Hinderaker reviewed the site plan which included a dumpster enclosure and a modified parking layout to accommodate the dumpster enclosure; the applicant removed a storage shed; and closed an access on Marshall because of the new parking configuration. He said there were no appeals with this application and it is in compliance with the UDC. Mr. Hinderaker said the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval, but staff recommended denial of the requested SUP because of this land use close to residential. Council Member Swafford asked if staff still recommended denial with deletion of the tire change/sales. Mr. Hinderaker replied staff recommended denial because the site is so small it may impact the adjacent residential.

Janet Avila, 938 Pangburn Street, stated she was one of the owners of the property. She stated that this property had been abandoned for several years. She asked for an opportunity as a small business to make this work. She said she believed they could make the business successful without disturbing the surrounding homes. Ms. Avila said they had closed on the property without knowing they needed a special permit for the business.

Council Member Swafford asked if Council had recommended a review period. Mr. Hinderaker said there would be an annual review.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Shotwell, to close the public hearing and approve Case SU140702 as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

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Z140901/SU140901/CP140901 -Zoning Change/Specific Use Permit/Concept Plan - Avera (City Council District 1). Approval of a Zone Change from Planned Development 196 (PD-196) to a Planned Development for Light Industrial (LI) uses, a Specific Use Permit for Outside Storage, and a Concept Plan for a 345,150 square-foot distribution center on 18.82 acres AND an amendment of the Master Transportation Plan related to extension of Daja Lane to January Lane. The subject properties (Joseph C Reed Abst 1729 TR 4.3, 4.5 and TR 4.6, P H Ford ABST 1711 TR 3 and TR 3.5) are located on the northwest corner of N Highway 161 and January Ln and within the SH-161 Overlay District. The agent is Rick Kight, Avera the owner is David O'Connor, Series Trust 120402, Lauren Butler, Pooled Funds Trust, Durward Moore, Grand Prairie Seriest Trust 2003-1, Durward Moore, 19th Street Trust, and C.M. Edwards, Daisy Field Trust. (On September 8, 2014, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Hinderaker reviewed Case Z140901 to build an industrial warehouse and modification of the Master Transportation Plan to eliminate connection of Daja Lane to January Lane. He said there were no requested appeals. The 342,150 sq. ft. warehouse building would have approximately 46 south facing dock doors; tilt wall construction with three distinct store fronts and office entrances; fenced and gated facility; truck access on January Lane only with passenger vehicle access on SH161; and operating hours Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hinderaker said one major issue was that January Lane is posted as a No Truck route. He said neighbors have a problem with the number of trucks already using January Lane with no enforcement. The access on the west side would be entrance only. He said this case meets the requirements of the SH161 Overlay. The project will provide offices for future tenants. The Master Thoroughfare Plan Amendment would be to eliminate the extension of Daja Lane through to January Lane. He said the traffic study looked at the subject property and the vacant site to the north and the summary was that Daja Lane is not needed for this area buildout. Mr. Hinderaker said the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this case and staff recommended approval subject to the DRC comments.

Council Member Clemson clarified that as trucks leave, they are only legally able to turn left and only passenger vehicles can turn right on January Lane.

Council Member Swafford asked if the owner of the 18.81 acres and the four acres to the north had the same ownership. Mr. Hinderaker said it had the same zoning, but a separate owner. Mr. Swafford noted that the closing of Daja Lane would cut off access to January Lane for the the 4- and 5-acre parcels. He suggested extending Daja Lane to the 18.82 acre site on the north.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Shotwell stated on westbound January Lane, a great deal of money had been spent widening it for access to the Dallas Cowboys Stadium, but that is a "No Truck" route and asked if it was posted as such. Mr. Hinderaker replied that it was posted. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Shotwell asked if this case was approved, can the applicant be required to erect signage for "No Left Turn." Mr. Hinderaker said Council could add that as a requirement. Mr. Shotwell stated this is a good retail corner on a major thoroughfare. Mr. Hinderaker said that the Economic Development Department had studied this corner for retail viability and it was shown that is not good for commercial retail because there is no exit at SH161 and January Lane.

Jim Koch, 8350 N. Central, stated that he was present with Peter Billip,7880 San Felipe #250, Houston, the developer and applicant, and they had been working on this site for nearly a year. He said they had been trying to be considerate of the neighbor's concerns.

Chuck Edwards, 4849 Greenville, and Rick Kight, 7880 San Filipe #250, Houston, 77063, were present to answer questions.

Martha Hardy, 2309 January Lane, stated that cars and trucks are using this street as a four-lane road, especially during rush hours. She said there were gasoline haulers and 18-wheelers who speed on this "No Truck" road. Ms. Hardy said she had a concern about this project because of the 18-wheelers. She asked for enforcement of the No Truck route and the speed limit and suggested a traffic light at the end of the street or a stop sign.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Shotwell stated that on the south lane on January Lane when

it was widened there used to be cars parked on the street and it is supposed to be a parking lane and should be marked as such. Mr. Shotwell asked Ms. DiMaggio, City Secretary, to research minute on January Lane widening to confirm this.

Robert Brueggemeyer, 1830 Esquire Place, asked Council to table this item to provide time to determine the impact this project would have on his property.

Council Member Swafford asked Mr. Brueggemeyer if he would have an internal street to get back to the service road. Mr. Brueggemeyer stated that the problem was the kind of traffic this project would create between the two sets of apartments.

Council Member Clemson moved, seconded by Council Member Swafford, to close the public hearing and approve Case Z140901/SU140901/CP140901, to allow Daja Lane to stay on the Master Transportation Plan up to the north property line of this site; and the placement of signs for "No Left Turn for Trucks". The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Z140902 - Zoning Change - (City Council District 6). Approval of a Zone Change from Single Family-One (SF-1) to Planned Development for residential uses with site specific development standards, including a guest house and other special considerations. The 1.94 acre property is located south of W. Bardin Road and east of Matthew Road. Owner/applicant is Don Sherman. (On September 8, 2014, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of this request by a vote of 8-0.)

Mr. Hinderaker stated that Case Z140902 was for a zoning change from Single Family-One to PD for Residential Uses with site specific development standards, including a guest house. He said the applicant also requested a shared driveway for access to the property. The applicant requested to be allowed three homes on two lots; one lot has an existing dwelling 1500 sq. feet home. The main dwelling will have 2400 sq. ft. and the guest dwelling will have 800 sq. ft. The existing dwelling unit has no garage requirement but may have a 2-car carport; the proposed main dwelling unit shall have 2-car garage; the proposed guest unit has no garage requirement but may have a 2-car carport. Mr. Hinderaker stated that family members will be living in all three homes. The Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval and staff also recommended approval.

Don Sherman, 4309 Matthew Road, was present to answer questions.

Council Member Wooldridge moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to close the public hearing and approve Case Z140902 as presented by staff. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Items for Individual Consideration

Council Member Swafford stated that funding in the fund balances had changed for year end and a budget amendment is required as was discussed at the Budget Worksession. There have been no changes since that discussion. Mayor Jensen thanked the Council Finance & Government members and the Budget staff. Council Member Swafford stated that the Budget staff is second to none and they do a great job for the city.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to adopt an ordinance amending the FY2014/14 Operating Budgets. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 -

Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Second Public Hearing on the FY 2014/2015 Operating Budgets and adopt an Ordinance adopting the FY 2014/2015 City Operating Budgets

Mayor Jensen opened a public hearing on the FY2014/15 Operating Budgets. There were no citizens who wished to speak.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to close the public hearing, and adopt an ordinance adopting the FY2014/15 Operating Budgets. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Second Public Hearing on the FY 2014/2015 Capital Improvement Projects Budget and an Ordinance Adopting the FY 2014/2015 Capital Improvements **Projects Budget**

Council Member Swafford made a correction to the Financial Consideration in the Council Communication that erroneously stated that General Obligation Bonds would be used to fund Capital Improvement Projects.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to close the public hearing and adopt an ordinance adopting the FY2014/15 Capital Improvements Projects Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to reconsider the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to close the public hearing and adopt an ordinance adopting the FY2014/15 Capital Improvements Project Budget with a correction to the Financial Consideration to remove General Obligations as a funding source. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance, Chapter 26, "Utilities and

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Services" relating to fees for water and wastewater services.

Council Member Swafford noted a correction to Section 26-30 of the ordinance to change the written amount to coincide with the numeric amount of the fee (change "One Thousand Dollars" to "Twenty Five Hundred Dollars").

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to adopt an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance, Chapter 26, relating to fees for water and wastewater services with the noted correction. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and acquire right-of-way for the FY 2014/2015 Capital Improvement Projects

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Giessner, to adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to acquire right-of-way for FY2014/15 Capital Improvement Projects. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Resolution Accepting the FY 2015-2019 Capital Improvements Plan

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to adopt a resolution accepting the FY2015-19 Capital Improvements Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Ordinance adopting and levying the ad valorem tax for the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 at a rate of \$.669998 per \$100 of assessed value on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the city on January 1, 2014, not exempt by law; providing revenues for payment of current municipal expenses, and for interest and sinking fund on outstanding City of Grand Prairie bonds; providing for enforcement of collections; providing for a severability clause; and providing an effective date

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to adopt a resolution levying the FY2014/15 ad valorem tax rate of \$.669998 per \$100 of assessed value.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Ordinance approving the 2014 tax roll resulting in a tax levy in the amount of \$70,741,456 based on the Certified Appraisal Rolls approved by the Dallas

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Central, Tarrant and Ellis Central Appraisal Districts.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to adopt an ordinance approving the 2014 tax roll. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 -

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Public hearing and adoption of the FY 2014/2015 Crime Control and Prevention District Budget

Council Member Jim Swafford (President of the Crime Control and Prevention District [CCPD]) stated that currently the CCPD budget is paying for the Public Safety Building and in the FY2014/15 budget it will fund additional police officers.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Wooldridge, to close the public hearing and approve the FY2014/15 Crime Control and Prevention District Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Fairway Bend PID (City Council District 1).

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Fairway Bend PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Lee Harriss, Special Districts Administrator, addressed Council regarding the PIDs. Council Member Swafford stated that he had noticed that some PIDs such as Brookfield and Country Club have ending balances in the current year that are becoming rather large. He asked Ms. Harriss at what point would it be suggested that the assessment rates be reduced. Ms. Harriss stated that the reason for carrying over significant amounts is that at some point the PID will need to replace walls or fences which can be a substantial amount. She said it was better to save consistently rather than raise the rate to cover these large expenses. She said borrowing was not an option because the minimum amount of bonding would be \$1 million and most projects cost less than that.

A citizen who lives at 2641 Danbury Lane asked who he would contact to get sidewalks in Oak Hollow. Mayor Jensen said the PID could pay for sidewalks or he could contact Ron McCuller, Public Works Director.

Council Member Swafford moved, seconded by Council Member Thorn, to close the public hearings on Items 46-61 (City PIDs) and approve the service plans, assessment roll and rate, the 5-year service plans, and approve the PID Advisory Board Membership for each PID. The motion carried unanimously

Ayes: 8 - Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

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Monterrey Park PID (City Council Districts 2 and 5)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Monterrey Park PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

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Whispering Oaks PID (City Council District 3)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Whispering Oaks PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

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Country Club Park PID (City Council District 3)

a. Public Hearing - Service Plan - Assessment Roll and Rate;

- b. Adoption of the Country Club Park PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

Westchester PID (City Council Districts 3 and 6)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Westchester PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Darell Floyd, 537 Abbey Court, stated that he was in support of the Westchester PID assessment rate.

Adopted

Forum Estates PID (City Council District 4)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Forum Estates PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

56 Silverado Springs PID (City Council District 4)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Silverado Springs PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

57 Lone Star Meadows PID (City Council District 4)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Lone Star Meadows PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

Oak Hollow/Sheffield Village PID (City Council District 4)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Oak Hollow/Sheffield Village PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Board Membership

Adopted

Lake Parks PID (City Council District 6)

a. Public Hearing - Service Plan - Assessment Roll and Rate;

- b. Adoption of the Lake Parks PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

John Rowser, 5251 West Cove Way, requested speed bumps for West Cove Way because people are driving very fast on that street. He added that the grass on the property behind his home and the 24-Hour Fitness, and Target, is not cut on a regular basis. He said the property goes down to Doryn and the grass on Doryn also needs to be cut on a regular basis.

Adopted

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Peninsula PID (City Council District 6)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the Peninsula PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

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High Hawk PID (City Council District 6)

- a. Public Hearing Service Plan Assessment Roll and Rate;
- b. Adoption of the High Hawk PID 5-year Service Plan;
- c. Ordinance approving the assessment roll and rate;
- d. PID Advisory Board Membership

Adopted

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Board and Commission Appointments

Mayor Pro Tem Fregoe moved, seconded by Council Member Clemson, to appoint Adam Stone and Kimberly Akinrodoye to the Housing and Community Improvement Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Ron Jensen; Mayor Pro Tem Richard Fregoe; Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Tony Shotwell; Council Member Jorja Clemson; Council Member Greg Giessner; Council Member Jim Swafford; Council Member Lila Thorn and Council Member Jeff Wooldridge

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Adjournment

Mayor Jensen adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the October 14, 2014 Meeting.

Catherine E. DiMaggio, City Secretary