



City of Grand Prairie

City Hall
317 College Street
Grand Prairie, Texas

Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

4:30 PM

City Hall - Council Chambers
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 Jim Swafford
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jorja Clemson
Council Member Jeff Copeland
Council Member Greg Giessner
Council Member Tony Shotwell
Council Member Lila Thorn
Council Member Jeff Wooldridge
Absent 1 - Council Member Richard Fregoe

Staff Presentations

1 Senior Safety Program - Presented by Chief Dye and Chaplain Emil Balliet

Police Chaplain Emil Balliet gave an overview of the Senior Safety Program with the main focus on maintaining a safe independent living environment for senior adults. He said volunteers will reach out to those who do not have active family support (i.e. for transportation, Meals on Wheels, etc.). The Volunteer Committee will have background checks and will be trained by Chaplain Balliet. Client information will be maintained on a protected database and clients will be contacted on a regular basis and if no response, their next of kin will be contacted. Residents will be encouraged to enroll in the Residential Lock Box program that will have a code which will be available to first responders.

Presented

2 Live Life Grand Recap - Presented by Amy Sprinkles, Marketing and Libraries Director

Beth Owens, BrandEra, presented a follow-up report on the Live Life Grand campaign. She stated that the campaign was built on several components including a TV Commercial, a jingle, radio commercials in English and Spanish (500 spots); movie theaters; direct mail and look book. A Street Team Campaign was also conducted with photo opportunities at concerts and other city events. A billboard advertised Grand Prairie in Dallas and Tarrant Counties as well as several aerial flyovers. There was also digital advertising; a customized email marketing campaign; social media campaign; public relations-press kit to several placements including local TV stations and radio stations and Forbes magazine. The 2016 campaign will utilize more of the same components as in the 2015 campaign.

Presented**3****Prairie Lights 2015 - Presented by Beverly Grogan**

Beverly Grogan, Parks and Recreation Department, stated this will be the 10th Anniversary of Prairie Lights and she announced that Breeze Energy is the Title Sponsor for this year. She said Prairie Lights will be going greener this year; all C7 bulbs are LED; part of Breeze's sponsorship is purchasing renewable energy credits to offset electric bill and emissions from cars in line waiting to experience Prairie Lights. Breeze will also be part of the Flight of the Monarch and Main Street Fest as well. There will be all new displays, all new tent with a new show this year. Ms. Grogan said the VIP service will be back again and Prairie Lights is cooperating with the Grand Prairie ISD to provide holiday school buses. There will be a new pricing schedule which will be \$20 per car on weekdays and \$35 on weekends to attract people during the weekdays. She said Sugarland and Round Rock is still partnering with the City. Council Member Copeland asked if Grand Prairie's displays go to these partner cities. Ms. Grogan said they do and she is working on a fourth city but could not manage to pull that off this year. The partner cities split gate revenue 50/50%. Mr. Copeland asked how long the title sponsorship contract was for. Ms. Grogan said it was for one year and was hopeful they will sign a multi-year deal. Mr. Copeland asked if Breeze really likes Prairie Lights and they sign on for sponsorships in the next few years, could they set up something to power those lights. Ms. Grogan said that may be something she could pursue but the city has contracts with other power companies. Mr. Copeland said he liked the price difference between weekdays and weekends and asked if signs could be placed on Lake Ridge about the price difference to direct people out of line if they are in a long line on the weekend. Ms. Grogan said she is close to having Branson, Missouri as a partner and will continue to work with them. She added she has had interest as far away as Virginia.

Presented**Agenda Review**

Mayor Pro Tem Swafford asked if there were questions on agenda Items. Council Member Shotwell said the title for Item 32 (purchase of aluminum materials for EPIC roofing) says the CIP budget is being amended, but the Analysis said funding will come from the Epic budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Swafford said that Items 34, 35, 36, and 37 on the Consent Agenda are regarding the upcoming Bond Sale. Jim Sabonis, First Southwest, stated that there were two refunding bond sales and Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation to equip public safety and library facilities and other public improvements; and Sales Tax Revenue Bonds to fund the EPIC. Mr. Sabonis stated that the city received very favorable interest rates on all bonds. The two refunding issues will save the city \$1.7 million.

Executive Session

Mayor Jensen convened at executive session at 5:20 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Government Code, V.T.C.A., to discuss Section 551.087 "Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations." The executive session was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Recess Meeting

Mayor Jensen recessed the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

6:30 PM Council Chambers

The Invocation was given by Ray Bush, First Baptist Church of Grand Prairie, Victim Relief Ministries Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to US Flag and to the Texas Flag were led by Mayor Pro Tem Swafford.

Presentations

- 4 Presentation to Mayor Jensen by John Spicer, Breeze Energy, 2015 Prairie Lights Title Sponsor
- John Spicer, CEO, Breeze Energy, Title Sponsor for Prairie Lights 2015 presented a check in the amount of \$44,000. The lights will be turned on November 22. Council Member Copeland asked Mr. Spicer if there was a chance of having a windmill to power those lights. Mr. Spicer replied that would be very difficult, however, his company is in the delivery business, not power generation.*
- Presented**
- 5 Keep Texas Beautiful Award - Recognition of the 63rd Regional Support Command, US Army Reserve - Daniel Vargas, Facilities and Requirements Manager, 63rd Regional Support Command
- Tammy Chan, Environmental Services, recognized Col. Daniel Vargas, 63rd Regional Support Command, US Army Reserve, for receiving the Keep Texas Beautiful Award for environmental stewardship at the base.*
- Presented**

Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Swafford moved, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Clemson, to approve Items 6 through 37 on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- 6 Minutes of the October 13, 2015 Meeting
- Approved on the Consent Agenda**
- 7 Purchase of one 2015 24-foot "Justice by Boston Whaler" boat, for the Police Department's Lake Patrol Unit, from "Brunswick Commercial and

Government Products, Inc.,” in the amount of \$133,078, through an Inter-Local agreement with the Government Services Administration (GSA)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 8 Ratify a contract with the Grand Prairie Arts Council for promotion and facilitation of arts in the community in exchange for \$69,000 from the 2015-2016 Hotel Motel fund as approved in the budget

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 9 Price agreement for SNAP Heartworm, SNAP Parvo, SNAP FeLV, and SNAP Feline Triple tests for testing animal shelter animals from IDEXX (up to \$16,470 annually) for one year with the option to renew for three additional one year periods totaling \$65,880 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

- 10 Price agreement with Occu-Med to conduct pre-employment and annual physical testing services for the Fire Department for a 3-year contract effective November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2018, with two annual renewal options for years 2019 and 2020, in an estimated annual amount *up to* \$47,000 per year for years one through three, \$48,000 for year four, and \$49,000 for year five, for a total contract value up to \$238,000 over 5 years. This agreement provides guaranteed pricing for each test performed over per year. The City Manager may 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 in the annual budget to satisfy the City’s obligation during the renewal terms.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 11 Price agreement for safety boots and shoes from Work Wear Shoes (up to \$15,000 annually) and Red Wing Brands of America (up to \$5,000 annually) for one year with the option to renew for four additional one year periods totaling \$100,000 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

- 12 Software Maintenance with SunGard in an amount not to exceed \$206,000

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 13** Annual renewal of Cisco SmartNet maintenance coverage on key City routers, switches, firewalls and teleconference equipment from Flair Data Systems in the amount of \$61,796.56, covered on contract DIR-TSO-2542

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 14** Annual hardware and software support and maintenance to North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) for Lawson Financial and Human Resources applications in the amount of \$163,338

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 15** Annual Software and Maintenance Agreement with ESRI in the amount of \$56,200

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 16** Agreement with Innovative Transportation Solutions, Inc. (up to \$36,000 annually) for one year with the option to renew for four additional one-year periods, totaling \$180,000 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

- 17** Change Order #1 for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure project from Itron, Inc., at an estimated amount of \$1,650,000 increasing the total project contract to \$6,900,000 and authorize the City Manager to execute any additional 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 term(s)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 18** Purchase 250 personal protective jackets from Red the Uniform Tailor of Carrollton, TX utilizing the Master Inter-local agreement with the City of Frisco at a total cost of \$75,412.50

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 19** Purchase of Holmatro equipment from Metro Fire of Houston, TX utilizing the Buy Board price agreement at a total cost of \$153,480.90

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 20** Purchase of Asphalt Zipper from Asphalt Zipper, Inc. in the amount of

\$125,250 through an Interlocal Agreement with Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 21** Purchase of seven (7) portable Silent Messenger boards from Solar Technology, Inc. to replace the older units utilized by Public Works (Streets), in the amount of \$121,841.79 through a national, inter-local agreement with General Services Administration (GSA) for disaster recovery preparation

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 22** Purchase of Gradall wheeled excavator- Model XL-3100 from Kirby-Smith Machinery in the amount of \$358,975 through an Interlocal Agreement with Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC)

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 23** Purchase of four stretchers (PowerPro XT Cot) \$74,403.76 less \$8,000 trade-in allowance on four outdated PowerPro Cots for a total of \$66,403.76, three stretcher loading systems (Power Load) \$71,622.90 Power Pro Cot two lift (Stair Pro) \$6,359.60 from sole-source Stryker EMS Equipment of Portage, MI at a total cost of \$144,386.26

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 24** Purchase SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) voice amplifiers and masks at a total cost of \$59,718.27 from Municipal Emergency Services, Inc (MES) of Houston, TX using the City of Fort Worth price agreement

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 25** Authorize sale of thirteen Tax Foreclosure Properties

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 26** Purchase of one (1) 2016 International TerraStar with Knapheide body in the amount of \$77,557.60 and one (1) 2015 International 7400 Work Star Grapple Truck in the amount of \$144,330.84 from Southwest International Truck, Inc. in Arlington, Texas

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 27** Engineering services contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for the design of six (6) new traffic signals in the amount of \$77,500, plus a 5% contingency of \$3,875, for a total project cost of \$81,375

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 28** Contract with Champion Coatings, Inc. of Savage, MN, in the bid amount of \$108,900.00 plus a 5% contingency in the amount of \$5,445.00 for a total of

\$114,345.00 for the interior sandblasting and coating of 500,000 gallon Small Hill elevated water storage tank; and reject lowest priced bid from Tank Pro, Inc. of Northport, AL as non-responsive.

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 29** Purchase of twenty (20) 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe police pursuit vehicles through the international, local agreement with Buyboard from Caldwell Country Baby Jacks II in the amount of \$688,400

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- 30** Resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for funding to the Tarrant County 9-1-1 District Public Safety Answering Points Assistance Program (PSAP), in the amount of \$78,890 to purchase 9-1-1 related equipment and supplies

Adopted

Enactment No: RES 4789-2015

- 31** Ordinance Amending the FY 2015/2016 Capital Improvement Projects Budget; and Construction contract with ACE Pipe Cleaning, Inc. in the amount of \$753,163.50 for Miscellaneous Wastewater Replacements at various locations throughout the city; Material testing with Team Consultants in the amount of \$12,358; 5% contract contingency in the amount of \$37,658; In-house labor distribution in the amount of \$37,658, for a total project cost of \$840,837.50.

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9959-2015

- 32** Ordinance amending the FY 2015/2016 Capital Improvement Project Budget; and Change Order 1 with Lee Lewis Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,100,000 for pre-purchase of aluminum materials for the OpenAire retractable roofing structure on the EPIC Waters facility, resulting in an estimated \$392,198 construction cost savings to the City

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9960-2015

- 33** Ordinance amending the FY 2015/2016 Capital Improvement Projects Budget; and authorization to refurbish and remount two Frazer Type I ambulances onto two 2016 Dodge Ram 4500 6.7L diesel chassis 4x4 from Frazer through the licensed franchise dealer, Mac Haik Dodge Chrysler Jeep of Houston, TX at a total cost of \$261,750 after a \$6,000 trade-in for two 2009 Dodge Ram 3500 cab/chassis using the HGAC price agreement

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9961-2015

- 34** Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Grand Prairie, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2015 and all matters incident and related thereto

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9962-2015

- 35** Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Grand Prairie, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 and all matters incident and related thereto

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9963-2015

- 36** Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Grand Prairie, Texas Water Wastewater Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 and all matters incident and related thereto

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9964-2015

- 37** Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of City of Grand Prairie, Texas Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Taxable Series 2015 and all matters incident and related thereto

Adopted

Enactment No: ORD 9965-2015

Items for Individual Consideration

- 38** Case No.A-06-14 Second reading and final adoption of an ordinance annexing a portion of Hunter Ferrell Road currently situated within the jurisdiction of Dallas County and the City of Irving and as generally located between S. Belt Line Road and MacArthur Boulevard AND to consider a request to dis-annex a separate portion of Hunter Ferrell Road currently situated within the jurisdiction of the City of Grand Prairie and as generally located between S. Belt Line Road and MacArthur Boulevard AND to further consider a request to dis-annex a portion of MacArthur Boulevard currently situated within the jurisdiction of the City of Grand Prairie generally located and starting at the intersection of Hunter Ferrell Road and MacArthur Boulevard and extending southerly along MacArthur Boulevard approximately ½ mile, the purpose of which is to establish a mutual municipal boundary line, along said section of roadways, between

the City of Grand Prairie, Texas and the City of Irving, Texas. The owner/applicant is The City of Grand Prairie Planning Department.

Council Member Wooldridge moved, seconded by Council Member Shotwell, to approve Case No. A-06-14. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Enactment No: ORD 9966-2015

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Board and Commission Appointments

Council Member Shotwell moved, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Swafford, to appoint Wendell Davidson to the Building Advisory and Appeals Board; appoint Jim Parker as a regular member to the Zoning Board of Adjustments (from Alternate position); and appoint Vance Roper as an Alternate to the Zoning Board of Adjustments. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Adjournment

Mayor Jensen adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the November 17, 2015 Council Meeting.

Catherine E. DiMaggio, City Secretary