City Council

Public Hearing & Special Meeting

November 18, 2013

The following were present: Mayor Charlie Brown; Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones; Council Members Doug Gaeke, Alan Casey, Gene Parker, and Joel Lopez; City Attorney Michelle Weiser, City Secretary Jessica Graefe, and City Manager Ricky Jorgensen.

I. Call to Order
   Mayor Brown called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 28, 2013, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

II. Pledges to the US and Texas Flags
   Fourth grade Student Council Representatives, Brynn Duncan and Chloe Graefe lead the Pledges.

III. Invocation & Welcome
   Council Member Gene Parker gave the invocation and Mayor Brown welcomed the visitors.

IV. Proclamation
   Mayor Brown read the proclamation for “National Hospice Month – November 2013”

V. Citizen’s Comments
   Chamber Director Denice Harlan invited council to the Inaugural Weird West Fest opening ceremony on Saturday, December 7th at 11:30 at the Landmark Event Center. The event is sponsored by the Giddings Area Chamber of Commerce benefiting Blue Skyes Over Autism & the Giddings Sterling Theatre.

VI. Consent Agenda
   Council Member Alan Casey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gene Parker.
   a) Minutes of the regular meeting held on October 28, 2013.
   b) Quarterly report from the Chamber of Commerce regarding use of Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue funds.
   c) City holiday schedule for 2014.
   Motion carried by the following vote:
   AYE: five
   NAY: none

VII. Public Hearing
   Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m., to hear comments on a conditional use permit application filed by Tomas Vega (312 w. Cuero St.) to allow a new manufactured home for a residential homestead.

   With no comments, Mayor Brown closed the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

VIII. New Business
   a) Spencer Schneider presented the recommendation made by the P&Z to deny request filed by Tomas Vega on a condition use permit to allow a new manufactured home for a residential homestead. Mr. Schneider also mentioned that two negative letters were received.
Council Member Alan Casey moved to approve the recommendation made by the P&Z to allow the deny request. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

b) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to cast the cities 244 votes to Michael Simmang in the election of the Board of Directors of Lee County Appraisal District. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gene Parker. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

c) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve the contract with Lee County for tax collection services and authorize Mayor to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

d) Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve the interlocal agreement between GISD and City regarding the use of city poles to provide fiber optics from the elementary school to the high school campus. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

e) Council Member Gene Parker moved to approve certificate pay for police officer’s holding a Masters, Advanced, and Intermediate. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doug Gaeke. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

Masters Certificate $160 per month or $1,920 per year
Advanced Certificate $110 per month or $1,320 per year
Intermediate Certificate $75 per month or $900 per year

f) Council Member Doug Gaeke moved to accept the Associate Municipal Judge Tate’s letter of resignation. The motion was seconded by Council Member Alan Casey. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

g) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve Patricia Tydlacka-Adcock as Associate Municipal Judge starting January 1, 2014. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gene Parker. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

h) Council Member Gene Parker moved to appoint Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones to fill the vacancy to the Executive Committee of the Texas Colorado River Floodplain Coalition (TCRFC). The motion was seconded by Council Member Alan Casey. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none
i) Council Member Gene Parker moved to approve the Senior Community Service Employment Program for the Giddings Public Library. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

j) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to accept the general twenty foot Utility Easement from Kolkhorst Investments, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez. Motion carried by the following vote:
AYE: five
NAY: none

k) City Attorney, Michelle Weiser provided information regarding Council training for the Open Meetings and Public Information; also Conflict of Interest Disclosure.

IX. **Adjournment**

Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary
Minutes approved