

City Council

Regular Meeting

February 9, 2015

The following were present: Mayor John Dowell; Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones; Council Members Alan Casey, Linda Pruitt, Joel Lopez, and Doug Gaeke; City Attorney Charles Crossfield, City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, and City Secretary Jessica Graefe.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Dowell called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2015, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

II. Pledges to the US and Texas Flags

Pledges were said.

III. Invocation & Welcome

Council Member Joel Lopez gave the invocation and Mayor Dowell welcomed the visitors.

IV. Citizen's Comments

No comments.

V. Public Hearing

- a) Mayor Dowell open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m., to hear public comments regarding an annexation request by Giddings Economic Development Corporation (GEDC), owner of 168.647 acre tract of land; approximately 105 acres of that land is outside the corporate limits of the City of Giddings, situated in J.D.G. Varelman Survey, A-20.

There being no comments, Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.

VI. Consent Agenda

Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doug Gaeke.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

- a) Minutes of Regular Meeting held January 26, 2015.
- b) Racial Profiling report.

VII. New Business

- a) Mayor Dowell announced that the annexation ordinance regarding the annexation request by Giddings Economic Development Corporation (GEDC), owner of 168.647 acre tract of land; approximately 105 acres of that land is outside the corporate limits of the City of Giddings,

situated in J.D.G. Varelman Survey, A-20 well be presented to council on March 9th and at that time well be voted.

- b) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved approve Ordinance 711, accepting the P&Z recommendation to approve the rezone from Agricultural Residential to General Commercial. The motion was seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

- c) Council Member Linda Pruitt moved to approve Ordinance 712 amending Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances to provide for Article 8.04, "Regulation of Sex Offenders Residency". The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

**CITY OF GIDDINGS
ORDINANCE NO. 712
SEX OFFENDER ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIDDINGS, TEXAS (CITY), AMENDING CHAPTER 8 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR ARTICLE 8.04: REGULATION OF SEX OFFENDERS RESIDENCY; MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR CERTAIN SEXUAL OFFENDERS TO RESIDE WITHIN 2,500 FEET OF PLACES WHERE CHILDREN GATHER; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS TO THE ORDINANCE; PROHIBITING PROPERTY OWNERS FROM RENTING REAL PROPERTY TO CERTAIN SEXUAL OFFENDERS; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY AND FINDING OF PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

- d) Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve the resale bid of \$6,000.00 on trust property described as A267 Reid, S.H., Tract C015, acres 0.36 (1337 N. Ellis St.). The motion was seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

- e) GEDC Director Tonya Britton gave a power point presentation of the new GEDC website and logo. (no action was taken)
- f) Chamber Director Denice Harlan provided a quarterly report regarding use of Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue funds. (no action was taken)

VIII. City Manager's report, and announcements

- a) Annual financial report – draft well be presented to council sometime next month

- b) Ordinance regarding large gathering events – Police Chief and City Attorney are working together to get one drafted

IX. Adjournment

Mayor Dowell adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary