

# **City Council**

## **Public Hearing & Special Meeting**

**May 6, 2013**

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

### **I. Call to Order**

Mayor Brown called to order the regular meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 6, 2013, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

### **II. Pledges to the US and Texas Flags**

Eagle Scout Austin Simmang led the pledges of allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags.

### **III. Invocation & Welcome**

Council Member Tommy Ewing gave the invocation and Mayor Brown welcomed the visitors.

### **IV. Presentation of City Council Appreciation Plaques**

Mayor Brown presented outgoing Council Members Kevin Schkade and Tommy Ewing plaques for their years of service and dedication. (Kevin Schkade served from May 2005-2013 and Tommy Ewing served from May 2011-2013) Their commitment and loyalty will always be remembered.

### **V. Citizens' Comments**

No comments.

### **VI. Consent Agenda**

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kevin Schkade.

a) Minutes of the Special Meeting held on April 1, 2013

b) Resolution to deny Centerpoint Energy Gas "GRIP" rate increase in the South Texas division.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

### **VII. Public Hearing**

a) Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m., regarding an application from Wesley Ratcliff, request that block 1, lots 5-6 be rezoned from R-1 (single family residential) to R-2,3 (multi family residential). The property is located at the 800 block of E. Industry St.

Mayor Brown closed the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

### **VIII. New Business**

a) Spencer Schneider presented the recommendation made by the P&Z to grant the rezone from Wesley Ratcliff, request that block 1, lots 5-6 be rezoned from R-1 (single family residential) to R-2,3 (multi family residential). Mr. Schneider also mentioned that no negative letters were received.

Council Member Tommy Ewing moved to moved to approve the recommendation made by the P&Z to allow the rezone R-1 to R-2, 3. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

b) Ordinance No.681 establishing a procedure for purchasing city owned streets and public ways was tabled at Mayor Brown's request.

c) Council Member Kevin Schkade moved to approve Ordinance No. 682 regarding fire prevention and protection and adopting standard international codes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

d) Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances regarding maintenance of property was discussed and no action was taken.

e) Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones moved to approve the Resolution in support of the Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District's Management Plan. The motion was seconded by Council Member Tommy Ewing. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: five

NAY: none

f) Council Member Fred Jones moved to authorize City Attorney to file a formal protest for the City to participate in hearings regarding permit requests by End Op, Forestar and LCRA. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones. Motion carried by the following vote;

AYE: five

NAY: none

g) Mayor Charlie Brown called the City Council, City Manager, and City Attorney into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m., to deliberate the evaluation and duties of the City Manager, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Section 551.074.

Mayor Brown reconvened the Open Session at 8:40 p.m., and stated that no action was taken in Executive Session.

No action was taken on Agenda item g (Action on executive session item regarding evaluation of the City Manager.)

## **IX. Adjournment**

Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary

Minutes approved by: Charlie Brown, Mayor