

City Council

Regular Meeting

July 14, 2014

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

I. Call to Order

Mayor Dowell called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 14, 2014, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

II. Pledges to the US and Texas Flags

III. Invocation & Welcome

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

IV. Citizen's Comments

Linda Beissert (961 W. Independence St.) – parking stripes at the Food Bank; inspectors inspecting house on recent construction; and the fitness group at the Simmang Northwest Park.

V. Consent Agenda

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

a) Minutes of Regular Meeting held on June 23, 2014

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

VI. Unfinished Business

a) No action was taken regarding the recommendation from the Park Board regarding the following:

- Section 1.10.065 – Private Raising Activities
- Section 1.10.075 – Skateboarding and Bicycling
- Section 1.10.077 – Additional Rules for Union Station

City Attorney Michelle Weiser advised council to do the following:

- Set up a Parks Board meeting – come up with rules for all three parks, the pool, and the golf course.
- An ordinance needs to be drafted that states the following:
 1. Repeals the section regarding not using the parks for profit.
 2. That anyone using a park (defined as set out above) for lessons wither paid or unpaid, group or individual must pick up a copy of the park rules and sign a form verifying that you have done so.
 3. A violation of the section or any of the park rule is subject to a fine not to exceed \$
 4. That the city is not approving or disapproving anyone and assumes no liability for use of the park.

VII. New Business

- a) Council member Doug Gaeke moved to award bid to the 2013 TxCDBG Hickory Creek Lift Station Improvements Project to M-W-D Construction for the amount of \$239,700.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- b) Ordinance No. 699 amending Chapter 12 “Utilities” Section 13.02.031 “Definitions” was tabled.
- c) Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve Ordinance 700 amending the boundaries of a zoning district within the city from 1999-2014. The motion was seconded by Council Member Alan Casey.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- d) Council Member Joel Lopez moved to approve Ordinance 701 amending section 14.02.053 (i)(2) regarding required vote when protesting amendments to the zoning map and text. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doug Gaeke.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- e) Council Member Linda Pruitt moved to approve Interlocal Agreement Narcotics Unit between Giddings Police Department, Lee County Sheriff’s Office, and the Lexington Police Department and authorize Mayor and Chief of Police to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- f) Council Member Alan Casey moved to approve the Giddings Police Department’s Policy to changes to sections “6.1 Use of Force”, “6.2 Firearms and Qualifications”, and “6.3 Nonlethal and Less Lethal Weapons”. The motion was seconded by Council Member Joel Lopez.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- g) Contract with Schneider, Krugler, Kleinschmidt, & Weiser, P.C. was tabled for more information to be provided to Mayor and Council.
- h) Budget for FY 2014-2015 was presented and no action to be taken.

VIII. City Manager’s Report, and Announcements

- a) 2014 paving project bid opening is scheduled for August 1, 2014.

IX. Adjournment

Mayor Dowell adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary