

The City of Balcones Heights  
Regular City Council Meeting  
3300 Hillcrest Drive  
Balcones Heights, Texas 78201

**MINUTES**

DATE: November 9, 2009

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Suzanne de Leon Miguel Valverde Charles Matthies  
Lamar Gillian Bennie Cass Linda Pohl

Members Absent: None

**SIGN IN SHEET:** Otto Moellering Roger Saucedo A. J. Vince  
Gary Martin

**CALL TO ORDER AND RECORDING OF QUORUM**

Meeting called to order and quorum was present.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U. S. A AND TEXAS FLAGS**

Councilman Valverde gave the invocation and led pledges.

Mayor called for a moment of silence for the soldiers, civilians, and families of those who died and were injured in the Fort Hood tragedy.

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

Otto Moellering – concerns with bike riders not having reflectors and concerns with dogs running loose at night.

**1. PRESENTATIONS and REPORTS:**

- a. City Administrator will introduce the city's new Development Services Coordinator.

City Administrator Sean Pate introduced Development Services Coordinator Becky Cardenas.

- b. Convention & Visitors Bureau Report, including Norris Conference Center updates. (Nastasi)

Mr. Nastasi came up to give the highlights of the report.

- c. Redevelopment Task Force Committee up-date. (Nastasi).

There was no update to be given.

- d. Update from Fire Station Committee. (Prince)

City Administrator gave update on repairs needed at the Fire Station.

- e. Update on EMS services with AMR. (Prince)

Captain Kight from the Fire Station updated council on AMR's services and status.

## **2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

- a. Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting of October 12, 2009.
- b. Approval of the October 2009 Check Register.
- c. Approval of Financial Report for month of October 2009.
- d. Investment Inventory Report ending September 30, 2009.

MOTION: I recommend we approve all of them.

Motion by: Councilman Cass                      Second: Councilman Gillian                      5/0/0    PASSED

## **BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 3. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance regulating non-storm water discharges. (David Johnson - Givler Engineering Representative)

David Johnson from Givler Engineering gave a brief background on the progression regarding storm water and the need for this ordinance.

MOTION: I make a motion we approve.

Motion by: Councilman Gillian                      Second: Councilman Matthies                      5/0/0    PASSED

- 4. Consideration and **ACTION** regarding City Street Priority list from Citizens Street Committee Members.

City Administrator came up to inform there were no formal Citizens Street Repair Committee meetings because of lack of quorum.

MOTION: I would like to make a motion to approve the list. (Street Repair Priority list)

MOTION: Councilman Gillian                      Second: Councilman Valverde                      0/5/0    FAILED

Recommendations were made by Council Members for changes to be made to priority list and take back to the Citizens Street Repair Advisory Committee.

- 5. Consideration and **ACTION** regarding 2009 CDBG Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement for Gentleman's Estate Street Reconstruction Project.

City Administrator addressed this item.

MOTION: I make a recommendation that we approve the reconstruction project as proposed by the county. (There was a consensus of Concord being the next street on list for improvements).

Motion by: Councilman Gillian                      Second: Councilman Matthies                      5/0/0    PASSED

6. Consideration and **ACTION** to accept funds allocated from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

City Administrator informed council city was awarded \$20,000.00 and formal acceptance of the funds was needed. He informed council of some of the projects that could be paid for with these funds.

MOTION: I make a motion that we accept funds.

Motion by: Councilwoman Pohl      Second: Councilman Gillian      5/0/0      PASSED

7. Discussion regarding our current agreement with Waste Management that expires January 2010 and possible **ACTION** to extend for a period of two (2) years. (Pate)

City Administrator recommended council to extend and exercise the extra two years.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilman Valverde      Second: Councilman Cass      5/0/0      PASSED

8. Consideration and **ACTION** regarding voting phase of Bexar Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2010-2011.

MOTION: I make a motion to vote for Helen Dutmer.

Motion by: Councilman Gillian      Second: Councilman Cass      5/0/0      PASSED

9. Consideration and **ACTION** to amend Balcones Heights Police Officers Association contract.

City Administrator stated amendment was needed for twelve hour shifts in police department.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilman Valverde      Second: Councilman Matthies      5/0/0      PASSED

10. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the 2010 Holiday schedule.

MOTION: I make a motion we approve 2010 Holiday year.

Motion by: Councilman Gillian      Second: Councilman Matthies      5/0/0      PASSED

11. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt a resolution in support of with the 2010 Census.

MOTION: I make a motion we approve the resolution.

Motion by: Councilman Gillian      Second: Councilman Matthies      5/0/0      PASSED

**DISCUSSION:**

12. Discussion and update on resolution in support of the creation of league of suburban cities receiving CPS franchise fees. (Pate)

City Administrator informed council that there were not enough people to actually meet and that another meeting will be scheduled.

13. Discussion regarding scheduling and topics for workshops with council. (Mayor)

Mayor stated workshops she will propose some dates and schedule workshops. First workshop in open session will be with for council to formulate questions to be asked. Then questions will be presented to the Redevelopment Task Force at the second workshop in open session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

**Submitted by:**

**Delia Flores  
City Secretary, TRMC**

Minutes approved by City Council – December 14, 2009.