

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

MINUTES

DATE: August 31, 2015

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Suzanne de Leon (Mayor) Jack Burton (Mayor Pro Tem)
Lamar Gillian Charles White
Linda Pohl

Members Absent: Madeline Slay

Sign in Sheet: Angelina Gonzales

CALL TO ORDER AND RECORDING OF QUORUM

Meeting was called to order and quorum was present.

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

Councilmember Gillian gave the invocation and led the pledges.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Angelina Gonzales – Resident of the City of Balcones Heights came up with concerns on water coming into her kitchen and is asking for a cement cord like her neighbors.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance approving the Annual Operating Budget for the period of 10/01/2015 through 09/30/2016. *(Roll Call vote required)*

MOTION: Motion to approve the budget.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Pohl 4/0/0 PASSED

Roll Call Vote

Linda Pohl	Yes	Madeline Slay	Absent	Jack Burton	Yes
Lamar Gillian	Yes	Charles White	Yes		

MOTION: Motion to amend the Code Compliance position from full time to two part time positions.

Motion by: Councilmember White Motion fails for lack of second

Before the record vote was taken the Finance Director gave a presentation of the proposed budget on the following:

Budget Highlights

- Proposed Tax Rate
- Sewer Rate Increase
- Storm Water Utility
- Modified Fee Schedule
- Two New Hires
 - IT Administrator
 - Code Compliance Officer

- *Three Reclassifications*
 - *Senior Deputy Court Clerk*
 - *ATS Administrative Assistant*
 - *Community Relations Manager*
- *General Fund – Revenue*
- *General Fund – Expenses*
- *All Other funds – Revenue*
- *All Other funds – Expenses*
- *Unfunded & Fund Reserves*
- *Fund Balance Reserves*
- *All Other Funds – Balanced*
- *Total Budget*
- *Total Budget – Historical*
- *Effective Tax Rate*
- *Change to Revenues*
- *Average Tax Bill*
- *Fee Schedule – Sewer*
- *Fee Schedule – Storm water Utility*
- *Proposed Budget – Personnel*
- *Proposed Holiday Schedule*
- *Fee Schedule – Impact Fees*
- *Fee Schedule – Other*
- *Budget Calendar FY 2015-16*
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There was a Q&A period after the presentation.

Roll call vote was taken after presentation and was approved 4/0/0.

2. Consideration and **ACTION** to vote on tax rate for the 2015 tax year and adopt an ordinance reflecting property tax increase reflected in the budget. (Roll Call vote required).

MOTION: Motion to approve. (Ordinance with Tax rate of 0.5393 reflecting an increase)

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Pohl 4/0/0 PASSED

Roll Call Vote

Linda Pohl	Yes	Madeline Slay	Absent	Jack Burton	Yes
Lamar Gillian	Yes	Charles White	Yes		

3. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance creating a consolidated municipal fee schedule for permits, licenses, applications, city utilities, and other services.

There was a Q&A period on changes and addition of fees.

MOTION: So moved. (To approve ordinance creating a consolidated municipal fee schedule)

Motion to amend shopping cart fee to \$25.00 was made by Councilmember White and failed for lack of second.

Vote on original motion is as follows:

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Pohl 4/0/0 PASSED

4. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance titled Storm Drainage to create a storm water development fee.

Tabled to hold Public Hearing at a future meeting.

5. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance regulating alcoholic beverage licenses in the city of Balcones Heights; establishing certain fees and fines and amending Chapter 111 Alcoholic Beverages of the City Code of Ordinances.

MOTION: Motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilmember Burton Second: Councilmember Pohl 4/0/0 PASSED

6. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance amending Code Book Chapter 95, Nuisances by adding an article Shopping Carts, regulating the use of shopping carts within the city.

MOTION: Motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Burton Withdrawn

MOTION: To table.

Motion by: Councilmember Gillian Second: Councilmember Pohl 3/1/0 PASSED

Nay vote: Councilmember Burton

Mayor called for a recess at 7:57 p.m. and reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

7. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance enabling the city to collect water and sewer impact fees.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve.

Motion by: Councilmember Burton Second: Councilmember Gillian 4/0/0 PASSED

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by:

DELIA FLORES, TRMC
City Secretary

Minutes were approved by City Council on September 21, 2015.