

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

MINUTES

DATE: November 16, 2015

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

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

Members Absent:

Sign in Sheet: Bill Johnson Henry Hannasch Dean Nelson

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

Council Member Pohl gave the invocation and led pledges. There was a moment of silence for the recent tragedies in Paris.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None signed up.

1. PRESENTATIONS and REPORTS:

- a. Update from Consultant Walter Serna. (Serna)

Mr. Serna was not present.

- b. Community Initiatives Department Report – October 2015 (Nastasi)

Mr. Nastasi came up and gave highlights of the report.

- c. Police Department Report – October 2015 (Volz)

Lt. Pena came up to inform council about the class attended. Chief Volz presented an award to Lt. Pena, Lt. Jahanara, and Sgt. Crum given to them for successfully completing The Leadership Trilogy Supervisor class.

Police Chief Volz then gave highlights of the report.

- d. Fire Department Report – October 2015 (Ward)

Fire Chief Ward came up and gave highlights of his report.

- e. Community Development Report and Code Compliance Update – October 2015 (Hoyl)

Ms. Hoyl came up and gave highlights or the report.

- f. Finance Department Update (Messick)

Mr. Messick came up and gave an update on the finances.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting of October 26, 2015
- b. Approval of Financial Report for month of October 2015

MOTION: I make a motion that we accept in its entirety.

Motion by: Council Member Pohl Second: Council Member White 5/0/0 PASSED

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 3. Consideration and **ACTION** regarding casting votes for election of Bexar Appraisal District Board of Directors for 2016-2017. (Mayor)

MOTION: I make a motion we vote for Mr. Burton.

Motion by: Council Member Gillian Second: Council Member Pohl 5/0/0 PASSED

- 4. 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. (Hoyl)

Ms. Hoyl presented this item, explained requirements, and stated a meeting was scheduled for the businesses and no one attended.

MOTION: Motion to approve.

Motion by: Council Member Burton Second: Council Member Gillian 4/1/0 PASSED

Nay Vote: Council Member White

- 5. Presentation and discussion of proposed ordinance regarding Right-of-Way Management Ordinance. (Hoyl)

Ms. Hoyl came up to explain the requirements and effects of this ordinance. The ordinance will be brought back for approval at a future meeting.

6. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve a resolution for Revival and Extension of Contract for Fines and Fees collection services with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP, Attorneys at Law. (Harris, Wells)

Carri Wells with Linebarger Goggan came up to present the contract.

MOTION: I make a motion to approve as amended.

Motion by: Council Member Pohl Second: Council Member Gillian 5/0/0 PASSED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS:

7. Announcements by City Administrator
 - a. Citizen Kudos
 - b. Recognition of City employee actions
 - c. New Departmental Initiatives
 - Newsletter deadline reminder
 - City Administrator will be out Tuesday and Wednesday to attend funeral
 - Wednesday – VIA meeting regarding Wonderland development
 - Friday – VIA Grand Opening
 - Kuddos to Ms. Hoyl for ISO rating
8. Requests by Mayor and Council Members for items to be placed on a future City Council agenda.

None

9. Announcements by Mayor and Council Members
 - a. City and community events attended and to be attended
 - b. City Council Committee and Liaison Assignments
 - c. Continuing education events attended and to be attended
 - d. Recognition of actions by City employees
 - e. Recognition of actions by community volunteers
 - Fundraiser for Officer Mark Cervantes was successful
 - Blue Santa reminder
 - Employee Luncheon sponsored by Council Member Pohl to be held December 18th

EXECUTIVE SESSION: (7:04 p.m.)

10. Discussion pursuant to §551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Consultation with Attorney) regarding Notice of Claim on regulation of sex offender residences.
11. Discussion pursuant to 551.074 (Personnel Matters), of the Texas Government Code, regarding City Administrator's evaluation.

RE-CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

Meeting reconvened in open session at 7:50 p.m. and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by:

DELIA FLORES, TRMC
City Secretary

Approved by City Council at the regular meeting held on December 21, 2015.