The City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas, met in regular session on Wednesday, October 23, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring St., Columbus, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor - Dwain Dungen
Mayor Pro Tem - Curtiss Schonenberg
Councilman - Steve Woodall

Councilwoman - Lori An Gobert (arrived at 6:33 p.m.)

Councilman - Eddie Hernandez
Councilman - Chuck Rankin
City Manager - Donald Warschak
City Secretary - Linda Lakich

### 1. Call to Order.

Mayor Dwain Dungen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Mayor Dungen led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

#### 3. Consent Agenda.

a. Approval of Invoices.

b. Approval of Minutes of October 8, 2014 Regular Meeting.

c. Approval of Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2014.

Councilman Schonenberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Aves: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin

Absent: Councilwoman Gobert

The motion passed.

### 4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.1

Elizabeth Flint recommended that Council start the process of naming the park where the Mayes Hotel was located. She expressed her concerns that the public had already started calling the area the Mayes Green. The Mayor introduced the new reporter for the *Colorado County Citizen*, Chris Johnson.

# 5. <u>City Manager's Report Including Downtown Sidewalk Project, Aerator Grant, and Gas System Supply.</u>

Lori An Gobert arrived at 6:33 p.m.

City Manager, Donald Warschak, presented his City Manager's Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. There were discussions concerning alternative sources for the City's gas supply and water quality issues.

### 6. <u>Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance 169-14 Approving the Traffic Control Plan for the 2014 Columbus Folk Fest.</u>

Mayor Dungen explained that the City Manager received the approval from TxDOT for the closures discussed at the last meeting and that Ordinance 169-14 calls for those closures.

Councilman Schonenberg made a motion to approve Ordinance 169-14 as presented. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin Councilwoman Gobert

The motion passed.

# 7. Consideration and Action to Approve Resolution 139-14 Adopting the City of Columbus Investment Policy.

The City Secretary explained that the City's Investment Policy calls for annual review and approval by City Council. She said that there were no changes to the Investment Policy.

Councilwoman Gobert made a motion to approve Resolution 139-14 adopting the City of Columbus Investment Policy. Councilman Schonenberg seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin Councilwoman Gobert

The motion passed.

#### 8. Consideration and Action to Designate the City's Official Newspaper.

The City Secretary explained that designating the City's Official Newspaper is an annual requirement of the state. The current official newspaper is the *Colorado County Citizen*, which she recommended that they continue.

Councilman Schonenberg made a motion to designate the *Colorado County Citizen* as the City's official newspaper. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Schonenberg, Hernandez, and Rankin Councilwoman Gobert

The motion passed.

### 9. <u>Items from Councilmembers.</u><sup>2</sup>

Councilman Woodall - no comment.

Councilwoman Gobert - no comment.

Councilman Schonenberg – gave an update on CCIDC matters.

Councilman Hernandez – no comment.

Councilman Rankin - no comment.

#### 10. Announcements.

The City Manager announced that Habitat was hosting an ice cream social that evening. Attendees were also reminded that Folk Fest would be November 7 and 8, 2014.

### 11. Adjournment.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor, Dwain K. Dungen

ATTEST:

Linda Lakich, City Secretary

<sup>1</sup>During this agenda item, citizens may comment for the record on items, which are not on the agenda. However, the Council may not participate in discussion or deliberation on any item that is not on the agenda. Citizens may request that a topic be added to a future agenda.

Citizens who wish to comment on a posted agenda item may do so when that item is addressed by the Mayor. Citizen's comments are limited to five minutes.

<sup>2</sup>Limited to statements. Issues raised by councilmembers under this item cannot be deliberated by Council. The Open Meetings Act does not allow Council to deliberate items that don't appear on the agenda.

