

The City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas met in regular session on Thursday, September 27, 2012 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
Councilman	-	John Axel
Councilman	-	Bruce Tesch
Councilman	-	Chuck Rankin
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Linda Lakich

Other City Staff present included:

Fire Chief	-	Walter Glaeser
Utilities Supervisor	-	Jody Ripper
Code Enforcement Off.	-	Ford Stein

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 September 4, 2012 Special Meeting.
- c. Approval of Minutes of September 13, 2012 Regular Meeting.
- d. Approval of August 2012 Financial Statements.

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

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin

The motion passed.

4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.¹

There were no citizens' presentations or comments.

5. City Manager's Report including Cardinal Hill Water Plant Well, 2012 Street Improvements, Fuel Island, and Police Chief.

City Manager, Donald Warschak, presented his City Manager's Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. David Sheblak with Mercer Engineering updated Council on the Cardinal Hill Water Plant Well.

6. Consideration and Action to Approve Resolution 112-12 to Participate in the HOME Reservation Program.

Donald Warschak explained that this is a new part of the HOME Grant Program. He said that the City would only be able to do two homes currently because of various problems. If the City applies for the Reservation Program, when additional applicants are ready, the City will not have to reapply for the grant.

Councilman Axel made a motion to approve Resolution 112-12 to Participate in the HOME Reservation Program. Councilman Schonenberg seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

7. Consideration and Action to Award 2012 Water Distribution System Improvements Construction Contract.

David Sheblak told Council that the City received five bids for the work, with Supak Construction giving the low bid at \$426,626. Donald Warschak said that they had done work for the City before, and David Sheblak said that he would recommend that they be awarded the contract. He also said that they would try to work around the holidays, especially on lines near the schools. Donald Warschak said that Supak Construction's bid would be within budget.

Councilman Tesch made a motion to award the 2012 Water Distribution System Improvements Construction Contract to Supak Construction, Inc. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

8. Public Hearing on Designation of 2.066 Acres of Newly Annexed Property in the Elizabeth Tumlinson League, Abstract No. 44, Fronting on McCormick Street as District R, Single Family or Two-Family Residential as Recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Dungen opened the Public Hearing at 6:44 p.m.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Dungen closed the Public Hearing at 6:45 p.m.

9. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance 140-12 Designating 2.066 Acres of Newly Annexed Property Located in the Elizabeth Tumlinson League, Abstract No. 44, Fronting on McCormick Street as District R, Single Family or Two-Family Residential.

Councilman Woodall made a motion to approve Ordinance 140-12 as presented. Councilman Rankin seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

10. Consideration and Action to Submit a Proposed Subdivision of 2.066 Acres of Newly Annexed Property in the Elizabeth Tumlinson League, Abstract No. 44, Fronting on McCormick Street to the Planning and Zoning Commission as requested by Stephen Draper.

Councilman Rankin made a motion to submit the proposed subdivision to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilman Schonenberg seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

11. First Reading of Resolution 111-12 a Resolution Approving Expenditures of 4B Revenues over \$10,000 of City Created Economic Development Corporations, with Less than 20,000 Residents for the Funding of City of Columbus Permit Fees for KW International.

Mayor Dungen read Resolution 111-12.

12. Public Hearing on Designation of a 50 Acre Tract, Lots F and H of the Texas Crossroads Business Park as a Reinvestment Zone.

Mayor Dungen opened the Public Hearing at 6:47 p.m.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Dungen closed the Public Hearing at 6:48 p.m.

13. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 141-12 Designating a Reinvestment Zone No. 1.

It was explained that this would be the first step in the process of granting a tax abatement to KW International for the building of their new facility at the Business Park.

Councilman Rankin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 141-12 Designating a Reinvestment Zone No. 1. Councilman Tesch seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

14. Consideration and Action to Set Code Enforcement Permit Fees.

Ford Stein explained that these were the fees which were discussed during budget workshops. The issuance fee will increase to \$15 per permit and reinspection fees were added to the mechanical, plumbing, and electrical permits. Fire Alarm System and Fire Extinguishing System fees were also presented.

Councilman Woodall made a motion to approve Code Enforcement Permit Fees as presented. Councilman Axel seconded the motion.

The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilman Woodall, Axel, Schonenberg, Tesch, and Rankin.

The motion passed.

15. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, on the August 2012 Police Report.

Donald Warschak introduced the new Police Chief, Bill Lattimore, and announced that he would begin work on October 1st. Chief Lattimore presented the August Police Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He also told Council about some of the activities he has planned as the new Police Chief.

No action was necessary.

16. Items from Councilmembers.²

Councilman Woodall – no comment.

Councilman Axel – no comment.

Councilman Schonenberg – asked Ford Stein to update Council on adopting more current codes.

Councilman Rankin – welcomed Chief Lattimore and thanked Tomas Ramirez for his work filling in as the interim chief.

Mayor Dungen – no comment.

17. Announcements.²

There were no announcements.

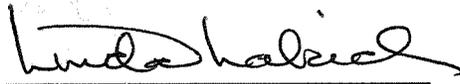
18. Adjournment.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.



Mayor, Dwain K. Dungen

ATTEST:



Linda Lakich, City Secretary

¹During 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.

²Limited 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.