

**MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.
CITY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NORTH MAIN STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marc Holm called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. with the following members:

Marc Holm, Mayor
Chris Cannon, Mayor Pro-Tem
Keith Joesel, Council Member
Sue Brashar, Council Member
Edward Maldonado, Council Member
Juan Gonzalez, Council Member (absent)
Mary Penson, Council Member
Jessica Bega, Council Member
Craig Fromme, Council Member
Kerry Lacy, City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary
Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney
Kevin Perry, City Engineer
Gary Cooke, Planning and Development Director
Melissa Lipiec, Planning and Development Administrative Assistant
Buck LaQuey, Finance Director
Chris Bratton, Police Chief

INVOCATION

Council Member Mary Penson gave the invocation.

Recessed SPECIAL MEETING at 7:09 p.m. and called to order PUBLIC HEARING at 7:09 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Receive public input on the proposed annexation by the City of Elgin, Texas and the proposed service plans the City will provide.
Kerry Lacy, City Manager
Gary N. Cooke, Planning and Development Director
Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney

Gary Cooke, Planning and Development Director, stated there are thirty-eight parcels selected for annexation in two areas: twenty-two held county agriculture exemptions; sixteen development agreements have been signed in lieu of annexation; and nineteen property owners have contacted their office.

Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney, spoke regarding concerns at the previous public hearing. Whatever use was done previously, may continue until you stop doing that use. A property can still

be agricultural operations and still be in the city. Tax abatement is not an issue for this area being annexed. Taxes would be assessed after January 1, 2015, but new taxes would not be due until January 1, 2016. Services would be complete within two and a half years (garbage, police, fire) and capital improvements (water and sewage) will allow four years to be put in place. Agricultural exempt properties are offered a development agreement in lieu of annexation. If services are not provided within four and a half years, a property can request to be dis-annexed, however after a dis-annexation, there is no annexation on that property for ten years. Council can choose to delay the annexation, but they can only annex 10% the first year, 20% the second year, and 30% the third year. Once an agricultural operation stops, then you conform to all other rules and regulations of the city. Fire arms use is an area for more research, but shooting coyotes is part of agricultural activities that is allowed. Burning related to agricultural is allowed.

Robert Wenske, 1353 FM 1704, implementation plan, Monkey Road, taxation percentages, adjustable tax rates.

Phylis Molina, 1331 FM 1704, family farmers since 1947, honey bees for environmental and commercial use, many parcels are homesteads, city gaining taxes and control, agricultural livelihood to continue, want more time.

Bill Carlson, 1415 FM 1704, Aqua will provide fire hydrants and bill the city, sewage would be a benefit, development agreements are not accurate.

Alice Machu, 1269 FM 1704, service plan has not been addressed, smaller properties are not allowed to get agricultural exemptions.

Ethan Machu, 12169 FM 1704, fire hydrants, size of water lines, street lights, railroad tracks, McVay Lane private or city, and would the road be improved.

Others in attendance were: Gordon Molina, Chris Cieliencki, Keith Wilcox, Virginia Azzaro, and Charlie Balagia.

Closed PUBLIC HEARING at 7:42 p.m. and Reconvened SPECIAL MEETING at 7:42 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

REPORTS

1. Monthly Department Reports for September 2015
Kerry Lacy, City Manager

City Manager Kerry Lacy stated the reports are informational only.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Edward Maldonado made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, Council Member Craig Fromme seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

1. Approval of minutes of the special council meeting November 3, 2015.
Kerry Lacy, City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action to consider a Resolution reaffirming civil rights provisions enacted by the City Council of the City of Elgin in connection with the Texas Community Development Block Grant Programs (TxCDBG).
Kerry Lacy, City Manager
Gandolf Burrus, Grant Development Services
Amy Miller, Community Development Director
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator

Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Cannon made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-12-01-18 as presented, Council Member Jessica Bega seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2015-12-01-18

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, REAFFIRMING CIVIL RIGHTS PROVISIONS PREVIOUSLY ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN IN CONNECTION WITH THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS (TxCDBG) FOR USE IN IMPLEMENTING ITS MAIN STREET PROJECT #7214372 and 2015 Community Development Fund Contract Number #7215151.

2. Discussion and action to consider a Resolution designating authorized signatures for Contractual and Grant Fund Documents in connection with the Texas Community Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) for use in the Main Street Project Number 7214372 and 2015 Community Development Fund Contract Number 7215151.
Kerry Lacy, City Manager
Amy Miller Community Development Director
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator

Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Cannon made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-12-01-19 as presented, Council Member Craig Fromme seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2015-12-01-19

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS OF THE COUNTY OF BASTROP TEXAS, DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS PERTAINING TO THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TxCDBG) CONTRACT NUMBER 7214372 and CONTRACT NUMBER 7215151.

3. Discussion and action to enter into contractual services with Langford Community Management Services in regards to administrative services for the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Contract 7215151.

Kerry Lacy, City Manager

Amy Miller, Community Development Director

Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator

Council Member Sue Brashar made a motion approve contractual services as presented, Council Member Mary Penson seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

4. Discussion and action to enter into contractual services with TRC Solutions in regards to engineering services for the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Contract 7215151.

Kerry Lacy, City Manager

Amy Miller, Community Development Director

Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator

Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Cannon made a motion to approve contractual service as presented, Council Member Sue Brashar seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

5. Discussion and action to consider approval and adoption of a proposed Ordinance to prohibit firearms and handguns into public premises holding public meetings under the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Kerry Lacy, City Manager

Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary

Chris Bratton, Police Chief

Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Cannon made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-12-01-33 as presented, Council Member Mary Penson seconded, and motion approved unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-12-01-33

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING FIREARMS FROM CITY MEETINGS
SUBJECT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

RECONVENE

None

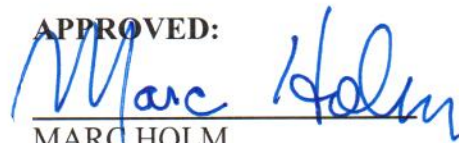
ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Marc Holm adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

APPROVED:



MARC HOLM
Mayor of Elgin, Texas

ATTEST:


LUCRETIA ALVAREZ
City Secretary of Elgin, Texas



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City Secretary