

**MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
CITY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NORTH MAIN STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Chris Cannon called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Cannon, Mayor
Juan Gonzalez, Mayor Pro-Tem
Susie Arreaga, Council Member
Sue Brashar, Council Member
Jessica Bega, Council Member
Craig Fromme, Council Member
Phillip Thomas, Council Member
Mary Penson, Council Member
Keith Joesel, Council Member

Absent: None

Staff: Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary
Chris Bratton, Police Chief
Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney
Amy Miller, Community Development Director
Buck LaQuey, Finance Director
Gary Cooke, Planning and Development Director
Doug Prinz, Utilities Director
Joe Parten, Public Works Director
Owen Rock, Economic Development Corporation Director
Kevin Perry, City Engineer
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator
Dodie Navejas, Utility Billing Supervisor
Charlie Navejas, Code Enforcement

INVOCATION

Pastor Jerry Edmon of Family Worship Center gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Chris Cannon led the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals spoke on Agenda Item No. 10.

Roy Reyna, 115 Monterrey Street, Elgin – Speed is still a concern, wants speed bumps

Melinda Torres, 203 Maple Lane, Elgin – Prefers speed bumps, or signs

Gerardo Vela, 502 ½ Avenue D, Elgin – Since 1989 – speed bumps

Theresa Lopez, 206 Cedar Circle, Elgin – Almost got hit on way here, prefers speed bumps

Adam King, 602 McDade, Elgin – High traffic, high volume, high speed, reluctant to endorse speed cushions

Alfred Beltran, 312 MLK Blvd., Elgin - Brenham/Alamo – horseback riders, walkers, senior citizens, speed bumps

PRESENTATIONS

1. Employee of the Third Quarter 2016 Thomas Gonzales.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Sandy Ott, Library Director and Employee of the Quarter Committee chairperson

Mayor Chris Cannon and Sandy Ott presented the award to Thomas Gonzales.

REPORTS

1. Monthly Department Reports for June 2016.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager

Kenneth Reneau stated these reports are for informational use only.

2. Presentation of FY 2015-2016 Third Quarter Investment Report.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Sidney LaQuey, Finance Director
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Agent/Finance Administrator

This item was moved to New Business #5

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Sue Brashar made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, Council Member Mary Penson seconded, and motion passed unanimously 9 for, 0 against.

1. Approval of minutes of the regular council meeting July 5, 2016.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary

2. Approval of minutes of the special council meeting July 26, 2016.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary
3. Approval of minutes of the special council meeting July 15, 2016.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary
4. Approval of Street Closures on Depot Street from Main to Avenue C, and Avenue C from Central to Second Street on Monday, October 31, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the 19th Annual Elgin Parks and Recreation Safe Trick or Treat Trail.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
5. Approval of Street Closures on Second Street from 11th Street to Main Street, and Main Street from Second Street to Brenham Street on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m. for The Veterans Appreciation Parade.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
6. Approval of Reserve Officer Robert Williams
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Chris Bratton, Police Chief

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action to review and consider amending the Solid Waste agreement with Allied Republic Services.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney
Gary Cooke, Planning Director
Dodie Navejas, Utility Billing Supervisor

Discussion highlights: Class C misdemeanor fine is up to \$2,000 per day, bulk pick up will be charged \$35.00, and fines will be paid at Municipal Court.

No action taken. Council directed staff to produce a contract, and set a deadline soon.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and action regarding an agreement with Eccentrix Technologies and Rise Broadband.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Charlie Crossfield, City Attorney
Doug Prinz, Utilities Director

Council Member Keith Joesel made a motion not to enter into any agreement with Eccentrix Technologies and Rise Broadband, Council Member Sue Brashar seconded, and motion passed unanimously 9 for, 0 against.

Charlie Crossfield to draft a letter for removal of their equipment within ninety days.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve an Ordinance amending Chapter 16, Article III Noise in the Code of Ordinances, City of Elgin, Texas 2013.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Chris Bratton, Chief of Police

The following individuals spoke on this item:

Alfred Domiguez, 408 M.L.K. Blvd, Elgin – Loud music and profanity
Laura Ramirez, 117 Ramirez Road, Elgin – Car stereos blasting, all sides of her house
Brandi Cerde, 119 Ramirez Road, Elgin – Decibel readings not working
Lynn Cottle, 104 Terra Drive, Elgin – Decibel readings not working

No action taken. Council directed Police Department to allow officers to talk to defendants regarding noise complaint calls. Violation is a misdemeanor up to \$500 fine.

3. Discussion and Action to consider a Resolution 2016-08-02-13 authorizing the Elgin Economic Development Corporation to spend an amount greater than \$10,000 per State Statutes. Specifically, to award a Mega Grant of \$25,000 to Allan Tolbert who spent over \$150,000 remodeling his 24-26 North Main Street building thus creating jobs and expanding the City of Elgin tax base.
Kenneth Reneau, City Manager
Owen Rock, EDC Director

Council Member Phillip Thomas made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-08-02-13 authorizing the Elgin Economic Development Corporation to spend an amount greater than \$10,000 per State Statutes. Specifically, to award a Mega Grant of \$25,000 to Allan Tolbert who spent over \$150,000 remodeling his 24-26 North Main Street building thus creating jobs and expanding the City of Elgin tax base. Council Member Sue Brashar seconded motion, motion passed unanimously 9 for 0 against.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-08-02-13

**RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN,
TEXAS APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$25,000 BY THE
ELGIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR
ALLAN TOLBERT'S 24-26 N. MAIN STREET BUILDING
REMODELING PROJECT AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS
RELATED THERETO**

4. Discussion and Action to consider a Resolution 2016-08-02-14 authorizing the Elgin Economic Development Corporation to spend an amount greater than \$10,000 per State Statutes. Specifically, to award a Mega Grant of \$25,000 to Allan Tolbert who spent over \$400,000 remodeling his 112-114 North Main Street buildings thus creating jobs and expanding the City of Elgin tax base.
Kenneth Reneau, City Manager
Owen Rock, EDC Director

Council Member Sue Brashar made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-08-02-14 authorizing the Elgin Economic Development Corporation to spend an amount greater than \$10,000 per State Statutes. Specifically to award a Mega Grant of \$25,000 to Allan Tolbert who spent over \$400,000 remodeling his 112-114 North Main Street buildings thus creating jobs and expanding the City of Elgin tax base. Council Member Craig Fromme seconded motion, motion passed unanimously 9 for 0 against.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-08-02-14

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$25,000 BY THE ELGIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ALLAN TOLBERT'S 112-114 N. MAIN STREET BUILDING REMODELING PROJECT AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO

5. Discussion and action to consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the 2016 Street Improvement Project contract to the selected contractor, DIGG Commercial, LLC in the amount of \$430,922.00, and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to 25 percent of the contract.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Joe Parten, Public Works Director
Beau Perry, City Engineer

Council Member Keith Joesel made a motion to enter into an agreement for the 2016 Street Improvement Project contract to the selected contractor, DIGG Commercial, LLC in the amount of \$430,922.00, and authorize the City Manager to approve change orders up to 25 percent of the contract. Council Member Mary Penson seconded motion, motion passed unanimously 9 for, 0 against.

6. Discussion and action to consider entering into a purchasing co-operative agreement with One Government Procurement Alliance, also known as 1 GPA.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Sidney LaQuey, Finance Director
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing and Finance Administrator

Council Member Phillip Thomas moved to approve a purchasing co-operative agreement with One Government Procurement Alliance, also known as 1 GPA. Council Member Craig Fromme seconded motion, motion passed unanimously 9 for 0 against.

7. Discussion and action to authorize the City Manager to enter into a leasing agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management Services for fleet management.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Sidney LaQuey, Finance Director
Laura Schwartz, Purchasing Administrator

Council Member Craig Fromme moved to approve a leasing agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management Services for fleet management contingent upon passing it in the budget. Council Member Sue Brashar seconded motion, motion passed unanimously 9 for, 0 against.

8. Discussion and action to approve the Effective and Rollback Rates for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Sidney LaQuey, Finance Director

Council Member Keith Joesel moved to approve 0.610527 as the Effective Rate and 0.600982 as the Rollback Rate for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Council Member Sue Brashar seconded, motion passed unanimously 9 for, 0 against.

9. Report with discussion and action to consider Non-Profit Review Committee request and budget proposal.

Non-Profit Review Committee:
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Lucretia Alvarez, City Secretary
Buck LaQuey, Finance Director
Juan Gonzalez, Mayor Pro-Tem
Sue Brashar, Council Member Ward 4

Lynn Cottle, 104 Terra Drive, Elgin spoke on the accountability of the organizations.

Council Member Jessica Bega moved to approve the Non-Profit Review Committee request to cap the amount of funds given to the Non-Profits groups at a total sum of \$50,000.00, and at that time move to a rated system for distributing funds. Council Member Mary Penson seconded, motion passed unanimously 9 for 0 against.

10. Report with discussion and action to consider options from the Traffic Control and Safety Committee.
Traffic Control and Safety Committee:
Jessica Bega, Council Member Ward 1
Juan Gonzalez, Council Member Ward 2
Kenneth Reneau, Interim City Manager
Joe Parten, Public Works Director
Phil Taylor, Assistant Chief of Police
Beau Perry, City Engineer

Sandy Murphee, 406 E. Brenham, Elgin – worries about safety for pedestrians
Marilyn Jones, 614 Old McDade Road, Elgin – concerns for speeding and safety

No action taken. Council gave direction to staff to follow up on the previous speed hump to evaluate its effectiveness.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Chris Cannon recessed the Regular Meeting at 10:36 p.m. and called to order the Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551:074 of the Texas Government Code regarding personnel matters for employment of City Manager.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

RECONVENE

The City Council reconvened into Regular Session at 11:14 p.m. The City Council returned to open session for possible discussion and action as a result of the Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code regarding personnel matters for employment of City Manager.

Council Member Keith Joesel moved to offer employment contract to sole finalist Tom Mattis. Council Member Mary Penson seconded motion, motion passed unanimously with 9 for, 0 against.

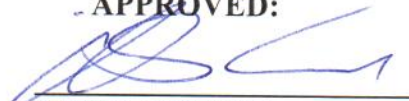
ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Meeting August 16 – Call the Election, Order Certificates of Obligation, Budget Workshop
- September 29 – Citizens Police Academy begins
- Police Chief thanked city council, staff and citizens for their support this month.

ADJOURNMENT

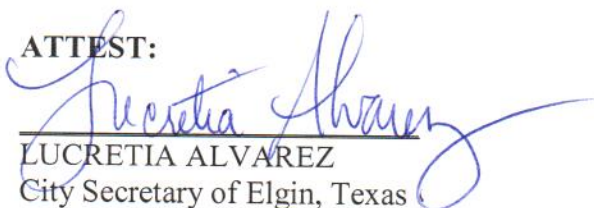
Mayor Chris Cannon adjourned the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

APPROVED:



CHRIS CANNON
Mayor of Elgin, Texas

ATTEST:



LUCRETIA ALVAREZ
City Secretary of Elgin, Texas