

**MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, May 16, 2017
CITY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NORTH MAIN STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Chris Cannon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Cannon, Mayor
Juan Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem
Mary Penson, Council Member
Susie Arreaga, Council Member
Sue Brashar, Council Member
Phillip Thomas, Council Member
Jessica Bega, Council Member
Neil Beyer, Council Member

Mayor Cannon stated all Council Members were present with the exception of the vacancy.

Staff: Thomas L. Mattis, City Manager
Chris Bratton, Police Chief
Buck LaQuey, Finance Director
Barbara Wilson, Director
Owen Rock, EDC Director

INVOCATION

Council Member Penson gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Chris Cannon led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Certificate of Election to Unopposed Council Members.
2. Swearing in of the General Election Unopposed Council Members.

Mayor Cannon presented the Certificates of Election to the Unopposed Council Members, Juan Gonzalez, Mary Penson, Phillip Thomas and Neil Beyer.

Judge Carter administered the Sworn Statement and the Oath of Office to the Council Members.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Request for proposals for Employees' Insurance Benefits.

City Manager Tom Mattis stated he had a couple of things in regard to next year's budget, one was going out for an RFP for the employees' health insurance benefits, and the other was the solid waste recycling contract that is up this year and may need to be updated. He stated that Republic gave him a verbal proposal with a slight increase and that he would like feedback on what the Council's expectations are from staff in regard to renewal or consider a change. He stated this was not on the agenda for action but would be brought back to them at a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discussion and action to appoint/re-appoint members to the Economic Development Board to expiring term:
 - Jeff Carter – Incumbent
 - Cody Mauck – Incumbent
 - SH McShan – Incumbent
 - Alan Tolbert

Council Member Bega moved to re-appoint Jeff Carter, Cody Mauck, and SH McShan. Council Member Brashar seconds the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UNIMPROVED PROPERTY CONTRACT BETWEEN ELGIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND HIDDEN OAKS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY 60 ACRES OF LAND

Council Member Brashar moved to approve A Resolution approving an unimproved property contract between Elgin EDC and Hidden Oaks, Inc. for the purchase of approximately 60 acres.

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Council Member Beyer seconds the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote 8-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Cannon stated that last week some students from the elementary school came by city hall and he visited with them about what the Council does and the children sat at the dais and also spoke during what would be citizen's comment period.

Council Member Brashar mentioned a fundraiser in the park for a city employee's son battling cancer on Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Chief Bratton mentioned this was National Police Memorial Week and appreciated their support as well as the community support they are getting this week. He stated that police deaths are up 35% this year over last year with 3 or 5 deaths in the last few weeks.

Finance Director Buck LaQuey asked that an item be placed on the next agenda to appoint a selection committee for the charities.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recess the Regular Council meeting and call to order Executive Session in a closed session

Mayor Cannon recessed the meeting at 7:40 p.m. and called to order the Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

1. Adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to (1) Section § 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property: to receive a staff briefing and deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of certain real property located on Highway 290; (2) Section § 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations: to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect.

RECONVENE

Mayor Cannon adjourned the Executive Session at 8:58 p.m. and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cannon adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:59 p.m.

APPROVED



CHRIS CANNON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



AMELIA SANCHEZ

City Secretary