

**MINUTES
ELGIN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NORTH MAIN STREET
TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Cannon, Mayor

Juan Gonzalez, Mayor Pro Tem

Mary Penson, Council Member

Susie Arreaga, Council Member

Jessica Bega, Council Member

Daniel Lopez, Council Member

Phillip Thomas, Council Member

Sue Brashar, Council Member

Neil Beyer, Council Member

Mayor Chris Cannon certified there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Staff: Thomas L. Mattis, City Manager
Charles Cunningham, Director of Finance
Patrick South, Police Chief
Owen Rock, Director Economic Development
Michael Gonzalez, Director Parks and Rec.
Doug Prinz, Utilities 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 Flag

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Cannon opened Public Comments.

With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Cannon closed the Public Comment period.

PRESENTATIONS

1. A Proclamation declaring January 15, 2018 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King Day in the City of Elgin.

Mayor Cannon read the Proclamation declaring January 15, 2018 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King Day in the City of Elgin and presented it to Mr. Byron Mitchell who was in attendance. Mr. Mitchell invited everyone to come to Smithville for the march and program at the Smithville Recreation Center.

2. Introduction of new employee - Elgin Police Department, AC Phil Taylor
 - Jacklen Taylor, Telecommunication.

Assistant Chief Phil Taylor introduced Jacklen Taylor, a new employee for the Elgin Police Department.

Owen Rock, Director of Economic Development, introduced Sandra Barrier, a former employee, newly hired as the Executive Administrative Assistant.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Monthly Departmental Activity Reports – November

City Manager Thomas Mattis stated that the monthly reports were attached.

2. General Activity Report and Project Report

Mr. Mattis stated that he had asked the Finance Director, Charles Cunningham to give the Council a report on the recreation center and where it stands financially. Mr. Cunningham stated this would be the type of report they will do on a more consistent basis, and that they were on time and on budget with sufficient funds for furniture and fixtures.

Mr. Cunningham also provided a financial summary detailing revenue and expenses to date on the recreation center, and showing the remaining balance for furniture, IT equipment and other shelter furniture.

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City Manager Thomas Mattis introduced the new Chief of Police, Patrick South.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider waiver of the City's Open Container Ordinance for the Friends of Elgin Parks Spring Music Series

2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS, TO CERTIFY LOCAL FUNDING AND SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY LINE ROAD ENGINEERING PROJECT TO THE CAPITAL AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR FUNDING IN THE 2019-2022 PROJECT CALL.

3. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes - December 5, 2017

4. City Council Special Meeting Minutes - December 12, 2017

5. Consider waiver of the City's Open Container Ordinance on Main Street from Lexington Road to Brenham Street; and on Second Street, First Street, Depot Street, Central Avenue, Austin Street, Brenham Street from Main Street to Avenue C; and on Avenue C from Brenham Street to 2nd Street on 2nd Thursdays January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13 from 5pm to 8pm in support of 'Sip Shop and Stroll' events.

Council Member Brashar moved to approve the five items on the consent agenda. Council Member Penson seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously 9-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY AND AQUA WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOUNDARY LINES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER SERVICES AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS RELATED THERETO.

Council Member Penson moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Council Member Brashar seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously 9-0.

2. Consideration, discussion and possible action to award an engineering services contract to TRC Engineering for the preparation of the City of Elgin's 2018 TxCDBG Texas Capital Fund (TCF) Application and subsequent contract implementation if application is funded.

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Council Member Thomas moved to award the engineering contract to TRC for engineering services. Council Member Lopez seconds the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

3. Consideration, discussion and possible action to award the grant administration services contract to Langford Community Management for the preparation of the City of Elgin's 2018 TxCDBG Texas Capital Fund (TCF) Application and subsequent contract implementation if application is funded.

Council Member Brashar moved to approve the item as presented. Council Member Penson seconds the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

4. Consider a request from Brohn Homes to waive or reduce fees for Operation Finally Home project.

Council Member Penson moved to waive all fees associated with the Operation Finally Home project. Council Member Arreaga seconds the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELGIN, TEXAS ADOPTING A WRITTEN INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY REGARDING THE INVESTMENTS OF CITY FUNDS.

Council Member Beyer moved to adopt a written investment policy and investment strategy regarding investments. Council Member Thomas seconds the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

6. Re-Appointment of Council Member Jessica Bega to the Clean Air Coalition as Committee Member representing the City of Elgin

Council Member Penson moved to re-appoint Council Member Bega to the Clean Air Coalition as Committee Member representing the City of Elgin. Council Member Lopez seconds the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Penson announced a blood drive on January 24th at the Fleming Center from noon to 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cannon adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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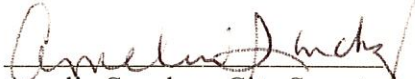
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APPROVED



Chris Cannon, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amelia Sanchez, City Secretary