

MINUTES**LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2011**

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in Regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on February 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

Councilmembers Present:

Walter Weaver
Marco Mejia
Mayor Pro Tem James Daniels
Clyde Hairston
Council District 2 vacant

Councilmembers Absent

Mayor Marcus E. Knight
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Nina Morris

City Staff Present:

Opal Mauldin Robertson, City Manager
Alicia Oyedele, Assistant to the City Manager
Thomas Griffith, Assistant Fire Chief
Dee Dee Hillary, Fire Captain
Robert E. Hager, City Attorney
Dolle Downe, City Secretary

Call to Order:

Mayor Pro Tem Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on February 28, 2011.

Invocation:

Pastor John Richardson gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Councilmember Walter Weaver led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizens Comments:

There were no citizen comments.

Consent Agenda:

City Secretary Downe read the consent agenda.

- 1C. Consider approval of minutes from the City Council Regular Meeting held February 14, 2011.
- 2C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-11 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, ordering a general election to be held on Saturday, May 14, 2011, for the election of one councilmember for District 2, one councilmember for District 4, and one councilmember for District 6; providing for the publication and posting of notice; providing for early voting dates, times and locations; and providing an effective date.

2011-02-11 considerar una resolución del Consejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Lancaster, Texas, ordenar una elección general que se celebrará el Sábado, 14 de mayo 2011, para la elección de un concejal para el Distrito 2, un concejal del distrito 4 de y un concejal para el Distrito 6, que contempla la publicación y publicar el del aviso, la prestación para las fechas de votación temprana, horarios y ubicaciones, y proporcionar una fecha efectiva.

- 3C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-12 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, approving the terms and conditions of a Joint Election Agreement and Election Services Contract with Dallas County Elections to conduct a general municipal election for Council Districts 2, 4 and 6 to be held on Saturday, May 14, 2011; authorizing the City Manager to execute said contract; and providing an effective date.**

2011-02-12 considerar una resolución del Consejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Lancaster, Texas, aprueba los términos y condiciones de un acuerdo electoral común y elección del contrato de servicios con las elecciones del condado de Dallas para llevar a cabo una elección municipal del Consejo General de los distritos 2, 4 y 6 que se celebrará el Sábado, 14 de mayo 2011, se autoriza al Administrador de la Ciudad para ejecutar dicho contrato, y proporcionar una fecha de vigencia.

- 4C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-13 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, awarding the Request for Proposal (RFP 2011-21) to Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP for Council redistricting services and approving the terms and conditions of an agreement by and between the City of Lancaster and Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP for said services in an amount not to exceed \$32,600; authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.**

- 5C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-14 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, approving the terms and conditions of an Interlocal Agreement by and between the City of Dallas and the City of Lancaster for services related to the BioTel System; authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.**

- 6C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-15 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, approving the terms and conditions of an Agreement for Mutual Aid by and among the City of Lancaster and other participating local governments of the State of Texas for the purpose of providing mutual aid in the event of an emergency, disaster and/or civil emergency as provided in the agreement; authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.**

- 7C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-16 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, approving the terms and conditions of an Ambulance Service Agreement by and between the City of Lancaster and the County of Dallas to provide ambulance service response to contiguous unincorporated areas in Dallas County; authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
- 8C. Consider Resolution 2011-02-17 of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, approving the terms and conditions of a Fire Protection Agreement by and between the City of Lancaster and the County of Dallas to provide fire protection and fire fighting service response to certain unincorporated areas in Dallas County; authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

MOTION: Councilmember Hairston made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to approve consent items 1C - 8C. The vote was cast 4 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

9. Second reading of caption and consideration of an ordinance of the City of Lancaster, Texas, granting to Atmos Energy Corporation, a Texas and Virginia Corporation, its successors and assigns, a franchise to construct, maintain, and operate pipelines and equipment in the City of Lancaster, Dallas County, Texas, for the transportation, delivery, sale, and distribution of gas in, out of, and through said City for all purposes; providing for the payment of a fee or charge for the use of the public rights-of-way; and providing that such fee shall be in lieu of other fees and charges, excepting ad valorem taxes; and repealing all previous gas franchise ordinances.

MOTION: Councilmember Mejia made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hairston, to approve an ordinance granting to Atmos Energy Corporation, a Texas and Virginia Corporation, its successors and assigns, a franchise to construct, maintain, and operate pipelines and equipment in the City of Lancaster, Dallas County, Texas, for the transportation, delivery, sale, and distribution of gas in, out of, and through said City for all purposes; providing for the payment of a fee or charge for the use of the public rights-of-way; and providing that such fee shall be in lieu of other fees and charges, excepting ad valorem taxes; and repealing all previous gas franchise ordinances. The vote was cast 4 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

10. Discuss and consider appointments to the Lancaster Planning and Zoning Commission.

City Secretary Downe stated that there are two Planning and Zoning Commission vacancies for consideration, both with terms that expire July 2011.

Councilmember Mejia nominated Vic Buchanon. Councilmember Hairston nominated Carol Burk. Councilmember Weaver nominated Valerie Perkins.

A roll call vote for Mr. Buchanon was cast 4 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent]. Mr. Buchanon is appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission to a term expiring July 2011.

A roll call vote for Ms. Burk was cast 2 for [Daniels, Hairston], 2 against [Weaver, Mejia]. [Knight, Morris absent] Nomination fails due to a tie vote.

A roll call vote for Dr. Perkins was cast 4 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent]. Dr. Perkins is appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission to a term expiring July 2011.

MOTION: Councilmember Hairston made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to adjourn. The vote was cast 4 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

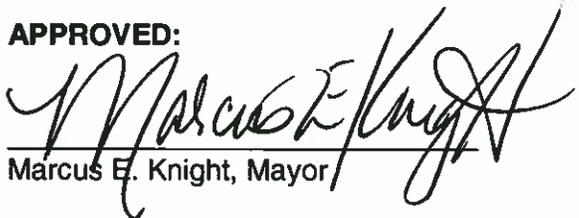
The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

ATTEST:



Dolle K. Downe, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Marcus E. Knight, Mayor