

MINUTES

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 6, 2017

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in a called Special session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on March 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Marcus E Knight
Mayor Pro Tem Carol Strain-Burk
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Stanley Jaglowski
Marco Mejia
Spencer W. Hervey Jr.
Clyde C. Hairston
Nina Morris

City Staff Present:

Opal Mauldin-Robertson, City Manager
Rona Stringfellow, Assistant City Manager
Dori Lee, Human Resources Director
Jermaine Sapp, Equipment and Facilities Services Director
Sean Johnson, Managing Director of Quality of Life & Cultural Services
Baron Sauls, Finance Director
Fabrice Kabona, Assistant to the City Manager
Jim Brewer, Director of Public Works
Sam Urbanski, Police Chief
Robert Franklin, Fire Chief
Jason B. Boulton, Assistant Chief
Charlie Miller, Assistant Chief
Zac Beauchamp, Patrol Officer
Katherine Hail, Animal Control Officer
Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

Call to Order:

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 6, 2017.

Proclamation:

Mayor Knight proclaimed March 1st through 7th, 2017 as "Severe Weather Awareness Week," and urged all citizens in our community to learn more about and to participate in severe weather preparedness activities available in Lancaster.

Mayor Knight proclaimed March 9, 2017 as "World Kidney Day" and encouraged all citizens to raise awareness concerning crucial health issues, such as chronic kidney disease, and to seek early screening.

Presentation:

Texas Police Chiefs Association, Thomas Sheehan, presented Chief Urbanski and the Lancaster Police Department with The Texas Best Practices Recognition Certificate. Mr. Sheehan shared that The Law Enforcement Recognition Program is a voluntary process where police agencies in Texas prove their compliance with 168 Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices. In August 2015, the Police Department entered the Recognition Program and a Committee of Chiefs of Police voted to reward recognition status to the Lancaster Police Department.

Mayor Knight expressed his appreciation and congratulated the department for their efforts to continue to conduct themselves in a professional matter.

Sean Johnson, Managing Director of Quality of Life & Cultural Services, shared that Mayor Pro Tem Carol Strain-Burk and Ted Burk donated a historical marker of the Steel Dust Quarterhorse. Mr. Johnson read the marker into the record.

Consent Agenda:

City Secretary Arenas read the consent agenda.

- 1. Consider a resolution declaring unopposed candidates in District 2, District 4, and District 6 in the May 6, 2017 general municipal election elected to office; canceling the elections in single member District 2, District 4, and District 6; providing for all other provisions of Resolution No. 2017-02-07, as amended, ordering the election to remain in full force and effect.**

MOTION: Councilmember Hairston made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jaglowski, to approve consent item 1. The vote was cast for 7, 0 against.

- 2. Consider an ordinance granting a franchise for the collection and removal of industrial solid waste and recyclable materials to Custom Recycling Solutions, LLC.**

City Manager Mauldin-Robertson shared that pursuant to the City Charter item 2 may not be voted as a final approval but be read into the record twice.

Councilmember Hervey inquired an explanation on the fiscal impact. City Manager Mauldin-Robertson shared the ten percent (10%) is based on our ordinance. The ordinance will allow the City to collect a percentage of the gross revenue collected from customers within the City limits.

City Manager Mauldin-Robertson responded to Councilmember Mejia that the franchise will allow them to do business in the City of Lancaster for a period of five (5) years, unless the franchise is cancelled.

Councilmember Hervey requested a copy of the report that is collected from the current franchises.

Mayor Knight shared some insight that if CWD cannot or chooses not to provide collections of special waste there are other companies with the ability to collect the special type of waste. However, it has been the long-standing requirement of this community that a company that will provide a particular collection must pay the City a street use fee of a certain percentage of the gross revenue collected for street repairs.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hairston, to approve item 2. The vote was cast for 6, 1 against [Hervey against].

- 3. Discuss and consider a resolution approving the terms and conditions of an Interlocal Agreement by and between the City of Lancaster and the City of Hutchins to provide for the Lancaster Animal Shelter to provide animal shelter services to the City of Hutchins.**

Mayor Knight shared that this item was previously discussed at a Work Session Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Strain-Burk inquired the number of animals rescued by the City of Hutchins. Assistant to the City Manager Kabona shared that there is an average of 3-5 animals rescued per week with an adoption rate of 85%.

Mayor Knight shared that this is an opportunity to facilitate adoptions, rescue opportunities, and expanding our network with other groups.

Councilmember Mejia inquired the length of contract and termination notice. Assistant to the City Manager Kabona shared that if approved, the Interlocal Agreement will be for a period of one (1) year with a thirty (30) day termination notice.

Mayor Knight shared that we will continue to identify the number of people from our community and ensure that the board will meet the statutory requirements.

MOTION: Councilmember Mejia made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hairston to approve item 3. The vote was cast for 7, 0 against.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hairston, to adjourn. The vote was cast for 7, 0 against.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST:



Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Marcus E. Knight, Mayor