

MINUTES

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 28, 2014

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in Regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on July 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

Councilmembers Present:

Stanley Jaglowski
Carol Strain-Burk
Marco Mejia
Mayor Pro Tem James Daniels
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaShonjia Harris

Councilmembers Absent:

Mayor Marcus E. Knight
Nina Morris

City Staff Present:

Opal Mauldin Robertson, City Manager
Rona Stringfellow, Assistant City Manager
Cynthia Pearson, Finance Director
Baron Sauls, Assistant Finance Director
Dori Lee, Director of Human Resources
Thomas Griffith, Fire Chief
Cheryl Wilson, Police Chief
Jim Brewer, Director Public Works
Robert E. Hager, City Attorney
Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

Call to Order:

Mayor Pro Tem Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 28, 2014.

Invocation:

Deacon Jones with Ministerial Alliance gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Councilmember Carol Strain-Burk led the pledge of allegiance.

Citizens Comments:

George Dozier, 555 Francis Street, shared concerns with various vacant lots along Francis Street and Elm that have tall grass and weeds.

Angela Baskin, 3032 Picket Fence Drive, shared concerns on quality retail in the city, specifically concerned at the amount of dollar and beauty stores.

Jason Baskin, 3032 Picket Fence Drive, shared concerns about the level of crime in his subdivision as well as a number of unleashed dogs in his neighborhood.

Consent Agenda:

City Secretary Arenas read the consent agenda.

- C1. Consider approval of minutes from the City Council Special Meeting held June 3 & 4, 2014 and City Council Regular Meeting held July 14, 2014.**
- C2. Consider a resolution approving terms and conditions of the City owned T-Hangar non-commercial lease from building 670 at the Lancaster Regional Airport.**
- C3. Consider a resolution approving terms and conditions of the City owned tie down T-Spot non-commercial lease at the Lancaster Regional Airport.**

MOTION: Councilmember Mejia made a motion, seconded by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Harris, to approve consent items C1 – C3. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

- 4. Consider a resolution authorizing the award of Bid No. 2014-164 to Blue Cross Blue Shield for employee medical administration with a Health Savings Account (H S A) option; and authorizing United Concordia for dental administration, Dearborn National for basic and voluntary life, accidental death and dismemberment, and long term disability; Discovery for flexible spending and the Section 125 Plan; Conexis for COBRA administration; and Alliance Work Partners for Employee Assistance Program administration.**

Dori Lee Director of Human Resources shared that staff is recommending the city change carriers from Aetna to BlueCross medical, Aetna to United Concordia for Dental, and Cigna to Dearborn National for Life and Disability. Director Lee also recommended an adjustment to HSA account contributions from \$1,348 for employee and \$2,696 for dependents to \$1,500 for employee and \$3,000 for dependents. There would be a total of \$220,751 in savings and the City would fund approximately 83.0% of total healthcare premium costs.

MOTION: Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jaglowski, to approve the resolution authorizing the award of Bid No. 2014-164. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

- 5. Discuss and consider a resolution to amend a Memorandum of Understanding by and between Con-Way Truckload, Inc. and the City of Lancaster.**

City Attorney Hager stated that due to development delays Con-Way Truckload is requesting 17 months in addition to the already agreed upon 13 months to remain at their existing facility.

Councilmember Mejia stated that he did not have a problem with Con-Way Truckload as a company but rather he respected the business and their desires for expansion. However he had some concerns with their previous desires to change the property for resale without attempting to put it up for light industrial and sell it that way. He also welcomed the new developers to the community and stated that council was there to help in any way that they could.

MOTION: Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to approve a resolution to amend the Memorandum of Understanding by and between Con-Way

Truckload, Inc. and the City of Lancaster. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Mejia absent].

6. Consider and discuss a resolution to authorize an Interlocal/License Agreement for the Southwest 120/96 inch Water Transmission Pipeline Project by and between the City of Dallas, and the City of Lancaster.

Assistant City Manager Stringfellow stated that the City of Dallas is wanting to enter into an Interlocal agreement with the City of Lancaster for the use of an existing public rights-of-way to lodge the Southwest 120/96-inch Water Transmission Pipeline Project. The City of Dallas will design and construct a 96-inch water transmission pipeline within Lancaster. The Transmission Pipeline project would be necessary for Dallas to transfer treated potable water from the East Side Water Treatment Plant in Sunnyvale to the Summit Ground Storage Tanks in Cedar Hill to Dallas's southern service area in order to provide redundancy within the Dallas water distribution system and increase service capacity to meet the growth of current and future customer cities, including the City of Lancaster. Assistant City Manager Stringfellow also mentioned that there would be no funding required from the city that representatives from both the City of Dallas and the consulting firm to answer any questions council may have.

Councilmember Jaglowski asked if the pipeline project would run from Longhorn to Daniieldale and Assistant City Manager Stringfellow confirmed as well as one of the representatives from the City of Dallas.

MOTION: Councilmember Jaglowski made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to approve a resolution to authorize an Interlocal/License Agreement for the Southwest 120/96 inch Water Transmission Pipeline Project. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

7. Discuss and consider a resolution to support the Regional Transportation Council's (RTC) resolution to promote the adequate funding of transportation.

Assistant City Manager Stringfellow stated that United States Department of Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx stressed the importance of transportation infrastructure and called for a heightened awareness of the need for transportation funding. As a result, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved a resolution supporting adequate funding for transportation and requested other local governments to encourage Congress to provide adequate levels of transportation funding. No funding is required from the city at this time.

MOTION: Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jaglowski, to approve a resolution to support the Regional Transportation Council's resolution. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

8. Consider a resolution adopting City Council Goals and Objectives obtained in the June 2014 City Council Retreat Report.

MOTION: Councilmember Mejia made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Strain-Burk, to approve the resolution adopting City Council Goals and Objectives. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

Executive Session:

7. The City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Local Government Code to seek legal advice from the City Attorney on matters in which the duty of the attorney of the governmental body requires confidential legal advice regarding:
- (a) License and use agreement by and between the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and the City of Lancaster, Texas.

The City Council reconvened into open session at 8:03 p.m.

City Attorney Hager stated that after consulting with council there is no action required from council at this time.

MOTION: Councilmember Strain-Burk made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to adjourn. The vote was cast 5 for, 0 against [Knight, Morris absent].

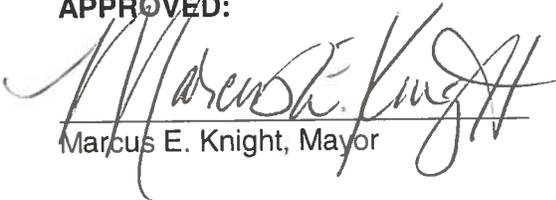
The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

ATTEST:



Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Marcus E. Knight, Mayor