

MINUTES

LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 13, 2015

The City Council of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in Regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

**Councilmembers Present:**

Mayor Marcus E. Knight  
Carol Strain-Burk  
Stanley Jaglowski  
Marco Mejia  
Mayor Pro Tem James Daniels  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaShonjia Harris  
Nina Morris

**City Staff Present:**

Opal Mauldin Robertson, City Manager  
Rona Stringfellow, Assistant City Manager  
Fabrice Kabona, Assistant to the City Manager  
Dori Lee, Human Resources Director  
Jim Brewer, Public Works Director  
Thomas Griffith, Fire Chief  
Cheryl Wilson, Police Chief  
Brad Boulton, Assistant Police Chief  
Cynthia Pearson, Finance Director  
Sean Johnson, Managing Director of Quality of Life & Cultural Services  
Michael Grace, Development Services Director  
Alton Dixon, Purchasing Agent  
Jermaine Sapp, Fleet Superintendent  
Gina Garcia, City Engineer  
Robert E. Hager, City Attorney  
Angie Arenas, City Secretary

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 13, 2015.

**Invocation:**

Bishop Jones gave the invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Knight led the pledge of allegiance.

**Citizens Comments:**

Carolyn Morris, 8871 Wintergreen, shared that she was pleased to hear an update regarding the Police Department. She feels that the citizens are protected and to know that we are moving towards a decade in life to protect those that protects the citizens. She appreciates the cameras, body camera, and everything that the City of Lancaster does for the city.

Kisha Pope, 520 Bald Cypress Drive, she stated members' of the board were concerned with participation in council meetings. Ms. Pope addressed her personal experiences from previous meetings where those who do speak-up or advocate for the community were not accommodated by the City. She stated that she had grievances regarding the Police Department and their response to calls to her home; stated that her complaints have been ignored and that responding police officers have been disrespectful during several incidents.

Mayor Knight shared that if she has some issues that she like to address that the board can coordinate through the City Manager's Office and the Police Department.

**Consent Agenda:**

City Secretary Arenas read the consent agenda.

- C1. Consider approval of minutes from the City Council Regular Meeting held March 23, 2015 and Special Meeting held April 6, 2015.**
- C2. Consider a resolution approving the terms and conditions of the City owned T-Hangar non-commercial lease from building 660 at the Lancaster Regional Airport.**
- C3. Consider a resolution approving the terms and conditions of the City owned T-Hangar non-commercial lease from building 690 at the Lancaster Regional Airport.**
- C4. Consider a resolution approving the terms and conditions of the In-house Repair Center Agreement with Scott Health and Safety.**
- C5. Consider a resolution authorizing Dallas County to resell 405 Francis Street, 2715 Henry Road, and 2430 Verona Road, tax foreclosed properties, by public or private sale, to the highest qualified purchaser, as provided by Section 34.05 of the Texas Property Tax Code.**
- C6. Consider an ordinance amending the code of ordinance by amending chapter 6, "Building Regulations", article 6.04 "technical and construction codes", Division 7, "property maintenance code", section 6.04.302 "exceptions and amendments", and by amending chapter 14, "offenses and additional provisions", article 14.10 "abandoned or junked vehicles", division 1, "generally", section 14.10.001, "definitions", to amend the definition of junked vehicle in order to be consistent with state law.**

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Daniels made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jaglowski, to approve consent items C1–C6. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

**Executive Session:**

- 1. The City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to Section § 551.074 (a)(1) of the TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE to deliberate:**
  - (a) To discuss the duties of the City Manager regarding council communications and confidential information;**

- (b) To deliberate the purchase and/or acquisition of real property for road improvement in the north portion of the City of Lancaster; and,
- (c) To consult with the City Attorney and seek legal advice concerning Lancaster Municipal Utility District 1 and pending legislation before the Texas Legislature.

**2. Reconvene into open session. Consider and take appropriate action(s), if any, on closed/executive session matters.**

The City Council recessed for Executive Session at 7:09 a.m. and reconvened into open session at 8:05 p.m.

With regard to Executive Session item 1(A):

No action to be taken relative to item A.

With Regard to Executive Session item 1(B):

Councilmember Strain-burk excused for this item.

City Council Jaglowski read, "I make a motion to authorized agent Delta Engineer Finely on behalf of the City of Lancaster to make a written offer in conformity with Chapter 21 of the Texas Property Code to make an offer to acquire the rights-of-way for Daniel Del Roadway Improvements."

**MOTION:** Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Mejia, to approve the motion as presented. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against [Strain-burk recused].

With Regard to Executive Session item 1(C):

City Council Jaglowski read, "I make a motion to oppose any legislation to expand the road powers of Lancaster Municipal Utility District One."

**MOTION:** Councilmember Morris made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Strain-burk, to approve the motion as presented. The vote was cast 6 for, 1 abstain [Deputy Mayor Pro Tem LaShonjia Harris].

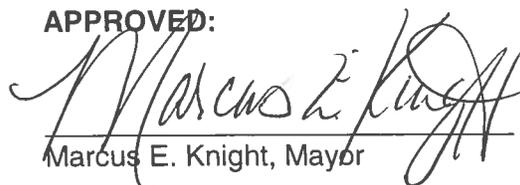
**MOTION:** Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Jaglowski, to adjourn. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

The meeting was adjourned at 8: 09 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sorangel O. Arenas, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
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Marcus E. Knight, Mayor