### CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 5, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened at 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 5, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Russell Grant

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jean Collins

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and gave the invocation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the draft minutes of December 1, 2009. Councilmember Grant seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Item # 2: Police Department oath of office ceremony. Before moving outside to conduct the group oath of office ceremony, Mayor O'Neal called each officers' name and thanked each for his or her service. The ceremony was conducted in front of the Come and Take It mural at the entrance to the City Municipal Building.
- Item # 3: Martin Luther King Jr. Day activities. L. W. Fryer, representing the Edwards Association, requested the use of Texas Heroes Square and City streets for a Martin Luther King Jr. Day march on Monday, January 18. The group will assemble on Texas Heroes Square and end at the Edwards Center where several events are planned. Mr. Fryer requested temporary street closings and assistance with traffic control at the intersections along the route.

Councilmember Logan moved to grant the request for the use of Texas Heroes Square and certain City streets for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day events on January 18, 2010. Councilmember Grant seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 4: Texas Independence Relay event. Event organizer Jay Hilscher introduced the 40 leg, 203-mile relay, saying, "there is no better place to do this than Gonzales." This will be the third year for the relay that begins in Gonzales and concludes at the San Jacinto monument. Mr. Hilscher requested closing Smith Street, using the Memorial Museum grounds, using Confederate Square for a pre-race dinner, and using certain City streets for the relay. Mr. Hilscher said he is expecting 2000 people to register for this year's event. The pre-race dinner is

planned for Friday evening March 5; relay teams will depart from Smith Street in front of the Memorial Museum Saturday morning, March 6.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve the request of Jay Hilscher for closing Smith Street, using Memorial Museum grounds, Confederate Square, and certain City streets for the start of the Texas Independence Relay. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 5: Confederate Square beautification request. The request is for twelve raised planter boxes on the west side of Confederate Square. Bob Burchard, Beautification Chairman, said that while he had letters of support for the project he had recently become aware of concerns from the Knights of Columbus and from the Come and Take It Committee. Each group is concerned about the impact planter boxes will have on the annual Come and Take It festival held on Confederate Square the first weekend in October. Mr. Burchard requested time to meet with each of the groups and asked if the item could be tabled for action at a future meeting.

Councilmember Logan moved to table action on the request for planter boxes on Confederate Square. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 6: Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool Interlocal Agreement. TML IEBP is the City's health insurance provider. The request is for Council action authorizing the City to enter into an interlocal agreement for the new plan year beginning on January 1.

Councilmember Logan moved to authorize the City Manager to sign the interlocal agreement with TMLIEBP on behalf of the City of Gonzales. Councilmember Grant seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 7: Appointments/Re-appointments to Main Street Advisory Board. Six terms on the Main Street Advisory Board expire at the end of December. All members agreed to serve if reappointed by Council. One new appointment was requested to fill the unexpired term of Sara Tenberg whose term runs through December 2010.

Councilmember Logan moved to reappoint Dawn O'Donnell, Pam Parker, Herbert Thigpen, Debbie Toliver, Crystal Borrer, and Sarah Zamora for a two-year term ending December 2011 and to appoint Mario "Del" de los Santos to fill the unexpired term of Sara Tenberg, ending December 2010. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 8: Appointments/Re-appointments to Zoning Board of Adjustment and Sign Control Board. Four terms on the Zoning Board of Adjustment expire at the end of December. The ZBoA is a five regular member, two alternate member board; members serve staggered two-year terms.

Councilmember Logan moved to reappoint Ray Raley, Charlie Pankey, Vicki Frenzel, and Alternate Member Manuel Pena Jr. for a two-year term ending December 2011. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 9: Appointments/Re-appointments to Planning and Zoning Commission. Four terms on the Planning and Zoning Commission expire at the end of December. One new appointment was requested to fill the unexpired term of Richard Green whose term runs through December 2010. The P&Z is a seven member Commission; members serve staggered two-year terms.

Councilmember Logan moved to reappoint Charlie Patterson, Tim Gescheidle, Steve Pirkle, and Roland Martinez to a two-year term ending December 2011 and to appoint Jereline Clack to fill the unexpired term of Richard Green, ending December 2010. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Grant, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **GRANTS**

There were no new developments.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Milton "Doyle" Hines spoke on the need for street repairs, especially on St. Paul behind the post office. The wet winter weather has taken a toll on streets all over town.

Mike Hanson said he had good news for a change. He wanted to publicly thank two business that worked to free a U-Haul truck that had been stuck for 12-hours. After word got around that the people moving to town had been stuck overnight in their truck, West Motors and Snakes Garage worked to free the truck.

#### **PROJECT STATUS & CALENDAR**

The status report and calendar were included in the packets.

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second from Councilmember Hernandez, Council adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

### CITY OF GONZALES CALLED BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING JANUARY 25, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened in a Called Budget Workshop Session at 5:30 p.m., Monday, January 25, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Robert A.

Logan, Lorenzo Hernandez

Members absent:

Russell Grant

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Item # 2: Workshop Session for the Proposed City of Gonzales Budget: Fiscal Year April 1, 2010-March 31, 2011.

City Manager Huseman stated the first workshop was to look at the General Fund noting that the City is in very good financial shape. Council was asked to decide on several policy issues rather than reviewing line items; those issues being a cost of living increase based on the regional consumer price index and whether or not to include a capital replacement program. Council agreed that both items should be included in the proposed budget. Mr. Huseman said there will need to be a second workshop to review the Enterprise Funds. Council agreed that 5:30 p.m., Thursday, February 4 would be a convenient time and date.

Mayor O'Neal invited comments from the audience. Bob Burchard commented on several line items in the Museum Department budget, expressing his desire that the Memorial Museum be a priority and that Council gets serious about tourism. Ann Covert was recognized, saying that she just had to say ditto to the statement about tourism.

Item # 3: Adjourn.

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With no further business before them, upon a motion and second by Councilmembers Logan and Schroeder respectively, the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

### CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 2, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened at 6 p.m. Tuesday, February 2, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder,

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jean Collins,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and gave the invocation.

Before entering into regular business, Mayor O'Neal read a letter of resignation from Russell Grant effective 5 p.m., Monday, February 1, 2010. Mr. Grant cited personal issues as the reason for his resignation.

City Attorney Jackie Williamson explained the proper procedure as contained in the City Charter and according to the Texas Election laws for accepting a resignation and filling a vacancy on Council. Council will address the vacancy during a called meeting not yet scheduled.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the draft minutes of January 5 and 25, 2010. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: Gonzales Old Jail Run For It.

Event organizer, Roy Maldonado, explained the run, noting last year's success. The Run benefits the Old Jail and is planned for Saturday, April 24. Runners will leave from the Old Jail on St. Lawrence turn south on St. Paul to St. Louis, turn east on St. Louis, cross the Disc Golf Park/Oak Forest Bridge to St. Lawrence, completing the run back at the Old Jail. Mr. Maldonado requested closing the affected streets, designating running lanes, and invited Council to join the event.

Councilmember Logan moved to grant the street closures and running lanes requested for the event planned for Saturday April 24, 2010. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 3: Resolution Local Government Services, LLC service agreement.

The company works with Texas Municipal League members in negotiating pole attachment agreements and performing pole counts. According to correspondence from the company it is not unusual for municipal owned electric systems to have neglected adjusting their pole attachment rental rates and typically they do not have current pole counts. The requested resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement for both of these services.

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt RESOLUTION 2010-01 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GONZALES THROUGH THE CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OF SAID CITY TO EXECUTE A UTILITY POLE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY SERVICE AGREEMENT. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### Item # 4: Constitution and By-Laws Gonzales Fire Department.

Fire Chief Keith Schmidt explained that the document combines the volunteer and career firefighters into one department and establishes an organizational structure for the department. Chief Schmidt credited volunteer Mark Yackel for preparing the document. It had been reviewed by the City Manager and the City Attorney. Chief Schmidt ask for Council approval to make the document official.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve the Constitution and By-Laws that includes the organizational structure and the official name of the Department as the Gonzales Fire Department, a combination of career and volunteer firefighters. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### Item # 5: Employee Handbook.

City Manager Huseman requested the item be tabled to allow time to review the final draft.

Councilmember Logan moved to table action on the City of Gonzales Employee Handbook. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### Item # 6: Resolution solid waste grant.

The grant application is to acquire a tire cutter and will be shared with the County. Disposing of old tires is a continual problem. Cutting the tires into quarters allows for proper land fill disposal.

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt RESOLUTION 2010-02 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GONZALES AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE GOLDEN CRESCENT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A REGIONAL SOLID WASTE GRANTS PROGRAM GRANT; AUTHORIZING DAVID HUSEMAN, CITY MANGAER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GONZALES IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PLEDGING THAT IF A GRANT IS RECEIVED THE CITY OF GONZALES WILL COMPLY WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS OF THE GOLDEN CRESCENT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QULAITY AND THE STATE OF TEXAS. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion.

Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 7: Resolution St. George Street.

The ED Corporation agreed to fund an additional \$59,000 to complete Phase I of the St. George Street project.

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt RESOLUTION 2010-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GONZALES IN SUPPORT OF GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S PARTICIPATION IN PART II OF THE CITY OF GONZALES ST. GEORGE STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZING GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO FUND PART II OF THE CITY OF GONZALES ST. GEORGE STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59,349.47. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #8: Ordinance Ordering a Regular City Officer's Election May 8, 2010. The ordinance directs posting the Order of Election and posting the Notice of Election. The period to file for a place on the May 8 ballot begins on February 6 and ends at 5 p.m. on March 8.

Councilmember Schroeder moved to adopt ORDINANCE 2010-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS, ORDERING THE POSTING OF THE ORDER OF ELECTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES; DIRECTING THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE ELECTION. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 9: Resolution Changing the March 2, 2010, Council Meeting. March 2 is Primary Election Day and the Council room is used as a voting location by the County. Section 3.09 of the City Charter allows re-scheduling a meeting by Resolution of the City Council.

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *RESOLUTION 2010-04 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS, CHANGING A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.* Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 10: Receive Annual Racial Profiling Report.

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It is entered into the Minutes that the report was prepared and presented to Council with an opportunity for review. No action was required.

Item # 11: Receive Quarter Ending December 2009 Investment Report.

It is entered into the Minutes that the report was prepared and presented to Council with an opportunity for review. No action was required.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Resolution Beautification Confederate Square

The Beautification request was tabled at the January meeting. At that time Bob Burchard requested time to meet with two groups that were concerned about the impact planter boxes would have on the Square during the Come and Take It festival. Since then City Manager Huseman said he had taken the drawing of the proposed improvements to the local Texas Department of Transportation office. They sent it to their District Engineer for review and the City has not heard back from the District office.

Mayor O'Neal tabled action on the item.

#### **GRANTS**

City Manager Huseman reported the pre-bid meeting had gone well earlier that day with over 15 contractors interested in bidding on the river bank stabilization project on February 25.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

#### STAFF REPORTS

Staff is available at the Council meeting to answer additional questions.

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second from Councilmember Hernandez, Council adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

## CITY OF GONZALES CALLED BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened in a Called Budget Workshop Session at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, February 4, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Robert A.

Logan, Lorenzo Hernandez

Members absent: 1

None

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Item # 2: Workshop Session for the Proposed City of Gonzales Budget: Fiscal Year April 1, 2010-March 31, 2011.

This was the second workshop on the 2010-2011 budget and according to City Manager Huseman, Version II of the budget. Revisions from the first session included a 2% cost of living increase for City employees. Mr. Huseman noted that funding for the Capital Replacement Program is tied to the tax rate. Council indicated that they were not interested in raising taxes to increase program funding. The Capital Replacement Program is funded at 25% not at 100% as in the Enterprise (or Utility) funds. The next category reviewed was Capital Improvement Projects with Council requesting more detail on the projects. Council requested the \$65,000 in sealcoat/street repairs be carried over from the 2009-2010 budget. The Enterprise Funds were briefly discussed.

Item # 3: Adjourn.

As several other events were taking place in the community that evening, Council agreed to a third workshop date of Monday, February 8 at 6 p.m. and adjourned upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second by Councilmember Hernandez at 6:45 p.m.

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### CITY OF GONZALES CALLED BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING FEBRUARY 8, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened in a Called Budget Workshop Session at 6 p.m., Monday, February 8, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Robert A.

Logan, Lorenzo Hernandez

Members absent: None

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Item # 2: Workshop Session for the Proposed City of Gonzales Budget: Fiscal Year April 1, 2010-March 31, 2011.

City Manager Huseman said the request from the second workshop for more details on the Capital Improvement Projects was provided. Also, the Economic Development Board met that afternoon and finalized their budget along with the Hotel/Motel budget. Those changes were included in Version III. Discussion followed on several of the proposed Capital Improvement Projects, primarily the underground utilities in the 300 block of St. George. The final thought was to leave the project as budgeted, including the underground electric utilities. Mr. Huseman said this would be a pilot project for the downtown area.

As a number of Citizens were in attendance, Mayor O'Neal invited comments from the audience. Bob Burchard commented on the Museum Curator's salary, saying in the past it had been viewed as a custodian rather than curator position. City Manager Huseman agreed to set the salary at the base level for an administrative assistant. Mr. Burchard had several other questions regarding expense line items. City Manager Huseman invited anyone that wanted to go over the budget in line item detail to visit with him anytime at City Hall.

Mayor O'Neal asked for feedback from Council on the possibility of needing another budget meeting. The consensus was that they will meet at 6 p.m., Monday, February 15 to make an appointment to fill the vacancy in District 2 and that an item be included on the agenda for additional budget discussion.

Item # 3: Adjourn.

With no further business before them, upon a motion and second by Councilmembers Logan and Schroeder respectively, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

### CITY OF GONZALES CALLED BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING **FEBRUARY 15, 2010 MINUTES**

The City Council convened in a Called Budget Workshop Session at 6 p.m., Monday, February 15, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Robert A.

Logan, Lorenzo Hernandez

Members absent: None

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Item # 2: Chamber of Commerce use of Texas Heroes Square.

City Manager Huseman on behalf of Barbara Hand, Executive Director Gonzales Chamber of Commerce, requested the use of Texas Heroes Square on March 2, 2010, for a Texas Independence Day observance.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve the request for use of Texas Heroes Square on March 2, 2010, for a Texas Independence Day observance. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 3: Council appointment and swearing in for District 2.

Councilman Schroeder said he felt like Tommy Schurig had shown a lot of love for the City and a lot of interest in District 2 when he ran for the Council seat in 2007, and moved to appoint Tommy Schurig to fill the unexpired term (May 2011) in Council District 2. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mayor O'Neal administered the oath of office and Councilmember Schurig took his place at the dais.

The appointment was made in accordance with Sec. 201.001, Sec.201.023 of the Election Code and Sec 3.06 Charter of the City of Gonzales. Mayor O'Neal read former Councilmember Russell Grant's letter of resignation at the February 2 Council meeting.

Item # 4: Budget workshop, if needed.

Councilmember Schroeder inquired about the detail for the Special Contracts expense accounts in the various departments and questioned the underground electric utilities on St. George Street. Mr. Huseman said the detail on the Special Contracts would be available on Tuesday and that Council could reject the bids if the project on St. George

came in over the engineers estimates. Councilmember Logan reiterated the Capital Improvement project on Reid Street was a high priority and hoped to see it at the top of the list. There was no other discussion on the budget.

Mayor O'Neal recognized Ross Hendershot who read and presented a letter of support from GADC commending the City for participating in the Texas VIP and for actively promoting downtown businesses and revitalization efforts.

Item # 5: Adjourn.

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With no further business before them, upon a motion and second by Councilmembers Logan and Schroeder respectively, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

# CITY OF GONZALES PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 1, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened at 6 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig,

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jean Collins,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and gave the invocation.

#### **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor O'Neal opened the hearing to receive comments on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year beginning April 1, 2010, ending March 31, 2011.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the draft minutes of February 2, 4, 8, and 15, 2010. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Item # 2: Police Chief Tim Crow introduced Police Officer, Marc Pullin, who took the oath of office that was administered by Mayor O'Neal.
- Item # 3: City Manager, David Huseman reported on the TIR events scheduled for March 5, 6, and 7. He reported that the committee has met twice within the last week and that everything is moving along on schedule. Mr. Huseman invited Council and the community to the event.
- Item # 4: Following review, Councilmember Schurig moved to reappoint ED Board members Connie Kacir and Clint Hille. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote. It was requested that the additional appointment be placed on the April agenda.
- Item # 5: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to reappoint Tourism Committee members Pratik Bhakta, Pee Wee Walshak, and Alison Guerra Rodriguez. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Item # 6: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the appointment of Barry Kremling and David DeMent, who will serve as Election Judge and Alternate Election Judge for the May 8, 2010 City Election. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 7: The Mayor called for final comments, and then closed the Public Hearing on the Budget for Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2010, ending March 31, 2011.
- Item #8: Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to adopt the final draft of the budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 by *Ordinance 2010-02*. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 9: Councilmember Logan moved to authorize the Mayor to sign agreements with Gonzales Christian Assistance Ministry; Gonzales Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture; Gonzales County Mental Health Advisory Board; Gonzales Pioneer Village; Gonzales County Senior Citizens Association; JB Wells House DRT Museum; Gonzales Youth Center provided that they meet the quarterly guidelines as set out in the agreement. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The Chamber of Commerce, Pioneer Village, and the DRT accepting on behalf of the JB Wells House Museum each will receive \$10,000 from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. The remaining organizations are found in the General Fund under Annual Appropriations; GCAM \$2,000; Mental Health \$2,640; Senior Citizens \$14,400; and Youth Center \$9,600.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Item # 1: Councilmember Hernandez moved to table the employee handbook to allow time for further review of the final draft. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 2: Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *Resolution 2010-05* The Beatification Committee is authorized to construct planting beds on Confederate Square in the 500 Block of St. Joseph Street. The City Manager is authorized to utilize City staff in assisting the Committee and their volunteers with construction as staff workloads permit. No city funds are authorized for the construction project. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **GRANTS**

No new developments were reported.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Citizen Curt Pish requested a resolution to the issue of a collapsed drainage pipe on property owned by his grandmother in the 900 block of St. Joseph Street. City Manager Huseman stated that he will place it on the April Council agenda and that it may take a while to resolve.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

Councilmember Logan questioned City Manager Huseman about how long will it be before FEMA responds? City Manager Huseman stated that it could take a while before we hear anything back from FEMA. City Manager Huseman also took this time to introduce the newly hired City Secretary Jamie Walshak.

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second from Councilmember Schroeder, Council adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

City Secretary

**APPROVED** 

# CITY OF GONZALES PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 6, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened at 6 p.m. Monday, April 6, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig,

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Members Absent: N

None

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and gave the invocation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item #1 Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the draft minutes of March 1, 2010. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #2 City Secretary, Jamie Lee Walshak, took the oath of office delivered by Mayor O'Neal.

Item #3 Following review, Councilmember Schurig moved to adopt Resolution 2010-06 Authorizing the Addition of an Authorized TexPool Representative. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The passage of this resolution added City Secretary, Jamie Lee Walshak, as an authorized TexPool representative of the City of Gonzales.

Item #4 Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to adopt Resolution 2010-07 a Corporate Authorization Resolution for Sage Capital Bank. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The passage of this resolution added City Secretary, Jamie Lee Walshak, as an agent of the City of Gonzales authorized to exercise the powers granted in the resolution. The Mayor, City Manager, City Secretary, and Finance Director are authorized signatures on City accounts.

Item #5 Following review, it was suggested by City Attorney, Jackie Williamson, that the City try to obtain the field notes on the parcel. Councilmember Schurig moved to do nothing regarding the sink hole located in the 1000 block of St. Joseph near Dance, Dance, Dance Studio until we are certain that the easement exists and have Council discussion at that time.

Then after that determination is made to repair the infrastructure using funds currently in the General Fund which are described as fund balance. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #6 The Mayor reappointed Housing Authority Board members Richard Crozier, Mary Anne MacLean, and Joann Lewis for another two-year term.

Item #7 The Mayor signed the Mayor's annual Proclamation promoting the importance of equal housing opportunities for all citizens.

Item #8 Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to appoint Doyle Allen and Trent Rankin to the Golf Advisory Board. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #9 Following a request from Main Street Chairman, Greg Little, for the use of Texas Heroes Square and the sale and consumption of alcohol for Main Street's Summer Concert Series that will be held June 4, 11, 18, and 25. He also requested the use of J.B. Wells Park Pavilion and the sale and consumption of alcohol on July 4 for a concert and fireworks display. Councilmember Schurig moved to approve the use of the square, streets, J.B. Wells Park Pavilion and for the sale and consumption of alcohol on public property at both locations. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #10 Following a request from LULAC representative, Oscar Garza, for the use of Confederate Square and the closing of St. George/St. Paul/St. Lawrence streets. He also requested for the sale and consumption of alcohol on public property for their second annual Cinco de Mayo celebration on Saturday, May 1, 2010. Councilmember Logan moved to approve the use of the square, streets and for the sale and consumption of alcohol on public property. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #11 Barbara Hand, representing Gonzales Breakfast and Noon Lions' Clubs, requested permit approval for the Lions to hold a "White Cane Day" Fund Raiser on April 24. The Texas Transportation Code requires the local authority with jurisdiction over the roadway to give approval for solicitation of charitable contributions if the person soliciting the contributions will be standing in the roadway and that the solicitor shall have liability insurance in the amount \$1,000,000. Three collection locations are planned the intersection of 90A/97; intersection of St. Joseph and St. Louis; and intersection of St. Joseph and 90A. Mrs. Hand provided the City a copy of the required liability insurance. Councilmember Logan moved to approve the requested permit for a "White Cane Day" Fund Raiser on Saturday, April 24, by the Gonzales Noon Lions club. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #12 Andy Rodriguez, representing Gonzales Noon Lions club, introduced a project that will provide shelter for GISD students at five bus stops: Church Street, Edwards, Casa Rio, Indian Ridge and Hyatt Manor. This will be a collaborative project between Gonzales Noon

Lions Club, Gonzales Independent School District, and the City of Gonzales. They asked that the City's contribution be to 1) Allow the structures to be built on City Property and, 2) Build and/or fund the concrete foundation of the structures. Councilmember Logan moved to authorize the use of City Property for the school bus shelter project proposed, and to approve the funding of the concrete foundation for the structures. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Item #1 Councilmember Schurig moved to approve the employee handbook as amended. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **GRANTS**

No new developments were reported.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Updated reports were included in Council packets. City Manager, Huseman, shared additional information that the City has received a \$2500 grant from Home Depote. Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson, provided updates on the status of 3 loan projects. Sleep Inn and Landmark Awning are both current on repayment. The Lynn Theater was reported as 90 days past due and has missed two interest payments. Cal Collins is not doing renovations, but is presently working with the Small Business Development Center to restructure the note.

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second from Councilmember Schroeder, Council adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

### CITY OF GONZALES **CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 12, 2010 MINUTES**

The City Council convened at 5:15 p.m. Monday, April 12, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig,

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Following review, Councilmember Schroeder moved to appoint Nathan Neuse to the Gonzales Economic Development Board. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

#### **GRANTS**

No new developments were reported.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### STAFF REPORTS

There were no new staff reports

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and a second from Councilmember Schroeder, Council adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

APPROVED:

## CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 4, 2010 6 P.M.

The City Council convened at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig,

Lorenzo Hernandez, Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

Absent:

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1 & 2: Minutes April 6 and 12, 2010 Meetings.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of April 6, 2010 and April 12, 2010 as written. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 3: Ordinance 2010-03 adopting a prohibition on Auxiliary or Compression Engine Brakes

Following review, it was discussed that following the adoption of this ordinance that signs would be posted at the entrances to the City as notice of the prohibition on auxiliary or compression engine brakes. Councilmember Schroeder moved to adopted *Ordinance 2010-03*. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 4: Consider Architecture Firms' Request for Qualifications.

During discussion and consideration of Architect RFQ's, Mayor Bobby O'Neal, stated that he favored the local Architectural Firm, TSG Architects, which had presented their qualifications to Council for consideration. Councilmember Schurig recognized that all presentations were well done, but all of them were from out of town. He also believed that along with being qualified TSG Architects would take more pride and care due to the fact since the Museum is located in their city. Following discussion and consideration, Councilmember Schurig moved to approve TSG Architects as the Architectural Firm commissioned to complete the rehabilitation of the Memorial Museum. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 5: Resolution 2010-08: Interlocal Agreement for Justice Assistance Grant (JAG Grant).

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to accept *Resolution* 2010-08, the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Gonzales and County of Gonzales, for FY 2011 which agrees to provide the County \$5,794.50 from the JAG award for the Joint Criminal Interdiction Equipment Purchase Program. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 6: Set date for May 8, 2010 canvass.

Discussion was held regarding a good time and date for Council to meet to canvass the May 8, 2010 election results. It was determined that May 13, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. would be the best time to convene. Following discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to hold the canvass on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Item #1: Resolve drainage issue at 1000 block of St. Joseph Street. This item was tabled at the April 6, 2010 meeting to allow time for further staff review to determine if an easement exists. Staff has been unable to locate documents that would determine if an easement truly exists. Councilmember Schurig moved to repair the infrastructure using funds currently in the General Fund which are described as fund balance. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **GRANTS**

The Westside dam project has been mobilized in regards to grants from TDRA (ORCA) and NRCS.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Colin Bond, who lives at 1612 St. Paul Street, addressed Council in regards to the City giving him reasonable access to the alley behind his home. Mr. Bond stated that it is impassable when it rains and that leaves him without access to his home. He stated that he had spoken with the City's Street Department Superintendent, Todd Remschel, and that Todd had given him assurance that the street would be repaired. Mr. Bond went on to say that traffic in the alley has picked up due to the Gonzales Area Children's Advocacy Center, AKA Norma's House, relocating next door. He would like to see the alley repaired by the City since it is owned by the City. Following Mr. Bond's comments Mayor O'Neal directed staff to place this issue on the June 1, 2010 agenda.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were included in Council packets.

### **ADJOURN**

No further business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

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APPROVED:

# CITY OF GONZALES CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 13, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 7:30 a.m., Thursday, May 13, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Robert A. Logan, Lorenzo

Hernandez, Gary Schroeder

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

Absent:

Councilmember Tommy Schurig and City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Canvass the City of Gonzales May 8, 2010, Election.

Mayor O'Neal reviewed the tally sheets from the May 8, 2010, City of Gonzales election and read for the record the following results:

Mayor's race:	Early Voting Totals	Connie L. Kacir Bobby O'Neal	339 460
	Election Day Totals	Connie L. Kacir Bobby O'Neal	211 259
Council District 3:	Early Voting Totals	Pat Mosher Lorenzo Hernandez	59 105
	Election Day Totals	Pat Mosher Lorenzo Hernandez	49 49
Council District 4:	Early Voting Totals	Robert A "Bobby Logan Steve Hendershot	228 87
	Election Day Totals	Robert A "Bobby Logan Steve Hendershot	100 62

Following the review, Councilmember Schroeder moved to accept the results of the May 8, 2010, election, declaring Bobby O'Neal elected to office by a final tally of 719 votes to 550 votes for Connie L. Kacir; declaring Lorenzo Hernandez elected to office by a final tally of 154 votes to 108 votes for Pat Mosher; and declaring Robert A. "Bobby" Logan elected to office by a final tally of 328 votes to 149 for Steve Hendershot; Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Hernandez, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 a.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

# CITY OF GONZALES CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MAY 17, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Monday, May 17, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig,

Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present: City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

Absent: City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Receive J.B Wells Park Master plan.

City manager, David Huseman, presented the proposed master plan to Mayor and Council. Mayor and Council had previously received information regarding this master plan in their Council information packets prior to the meeting. Mr. Huseman informed Council that if the plan is adopted that it obligates them to nothing; that it is just a guideline of what could happen. Following the presentation Councilmember Logan moved to adopt the J.B. Wells Park Master plan. Due to lack of second, the motion did not carry.

Also included in item #1 was a request to build 36 more RV sites at J.B. Wells Park.

Staff received an estimate for the cost of building these 36 more RV sites to be \$16,221. It was requested for the City to fund the infrastructure, and to then ask GEDC for a grant for the cost of infrastructure. Councilmember Hernandez moved for the City to release funds in the amount of \$16,221 to complete the necessary infrastructure for 36 RV sites located at J.B. Wells Park, and to approve a request to be made to GEDC for a grant for the cost of that infrastructure. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comment regarding the J.B. Wells Park Master plan following Mr. Huseman's presentation.

Dr. Charles Graham thanked Council for their consideration of this plan and thanked all the people that worked on the project. He stated that there were many political leaders at the State level that backed this project 100% and that he believed that J.B. Wells Park events were beneficial to the community of Gonzales. He also stated that he is committed to providing the cattle needed for all cutting events held at J.B. Wells Park, and that his family has been instructed to continue doing so in the event of his death. Following Mr. David DeMent's

comments he stated that he had a hard time understanding Mr. DeMent's comments.

Mr. Jim Monahan also thanked Council for their consideration of the plan and stated that the economic development aspect will last for years in the long run. He also stated that sales were increased in the area's retail areas.

Bo Davis also thanked Council for their consideration of the plan. He stated that people have stated interest in using the improved facility.

Mr. David DeMent stated that he fully supports anything that brings tourism to Gonzales, but is not totally supportive of the master plan. He stated that he researched sales tax data from Gallup and their numbers did not show a significant enough increase to make him believe that it would be profitable for the community. He stated that he would like to see the dollar spent for the dollar earned.

#### **ADJOURN**

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Upon a motion by Councilmember Hernandez and second by Councilmember Schroeder the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

# CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 1, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 1, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6 p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for May 4, 13, and 17, 2010.
- Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of May 4, 13, and 17, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 2: Administer Oath of Office to Mayor and Councilmembers District 3 and District 4.
- The Oath of Office was administered by City Secretary, Jamie Lee Walshak to Bobby O'Neal, Mayor, Lorenzo Hernandez, Councilmember District 3, and Robert A. "Bobby" Logan, Councilmember District 4. The officials took their place on the City Council for two-year terms.
- Item # 3: Elect Mayor Pro-Tem in Accordance with Section 3.05 of the City Charter.
- A motion was made by Councilmember Schurig to nominate Councilmember Robert A. "Bobby" Logan as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 4: Elks Lodge and the VFW for First Shot Cook-Off

- Mr. John Charles Dubose, Jr, representing the Elks Lodge of Gonzales and the VFW, requested permission for the use of J.B. Wells Park and the sale and consumption of alcohol on September 17, 18 and 19, for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual First Shot Cook-Off.
- Following review, councilmember Logan moved to approve permission be granted to the Elks Lodge and the VFW to use J.B. Wells Park and to sell and consume alcohol on September 17, 18 and 19, for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual First Shot Cook-Off. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 5: Discuss alley behind 1612 St. Paul Street.
- At the May Council meeting, Mr. Colin Bond, who lives at 1612 St. Paul Street, addressed Council in regards to the City giving him reasonable access to the alley behind his home. Mr. Bond stated that it is impassable when it rains and that leaves him without access to his home and garage. He would like to see the alley repaired by the City. Subdivision plats and their submissions typically contain information about streets, easements, utilities, etc. These submissions spell out the legal responsibility of all parties involved. The parties include the landowner, the City, utility companies, etc. Council was presented with the following options to resolve this problem: 1) Do nothing 2) If the City wishes to assume responsibility for the construction, it will need to be determined if the alley is to be built to subdivision standards or something less.
- City Attorney, Jackie Williamson, stated that in this case this was a 1909 dedication and this dedication specifically states that only the streets were dedicated for public use. There are some dedications at the County Clerk's office which specifically add the alleys that could be used for public use, but this dedication did not. The intent of the alleys that are platted would be that they are to benefit the property owner's fronting that alley, and therefore the City does not have a legal duty to maintain or improve the alleys. The City only has a legal duty to maintain the streets in this dedication.
- Councilman Schroeder moved to take funds out of the general fund for some gravel and have the City's Street department provide the labor in order to resolve the issue so that it is accessible for Mr. Bond and the traffic going in and out from Norma's House.
- Councilman Logan questioned if this would affect future requests also?

  City Manager, David Huseman, stated that the Council is never obligated unless they passed an ordinance. The ordinances have the effect of Law. If you do a case by case you are not obligated to do anything. You have set a precedent and you will have to talk with your City Attorney about if that opens you up to something if

- you deny somebody in a similar situation. That part he did not know.
- Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. There being no further discussion Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 6: Discuss and consider seal coat bid.
- The City of Gonzales requested sealed bids for seal coating approximately 100,000 square yards of streets, 50,000 square yards competed before July 31, 2010; 50,000 square yards completed before September 1, 2010. Only one company submitted a bid for consideration and it has been included in Council packets.
- Councilman Logan moved to used all the appropriated funding based on the bid to refurbish and rehabilitate our streets. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 7: Discuss and consider City Engineer Request for Qualifications submissions.
- Keith Schauer representing Doucet & Associates stated that they would be very excited to be the City Engineer for the City of Gonzales. He stated that they feel that they are qualified to do streets and drainage, water distribution and sewer collection, and any other construction inspections and considerations for the City. He continued by thanking Council for their consideration.
- Following consideration and discussion, Councilman Logan moved to select the engineering firm of Doucet & Associates as the company for providing the City of Gonzales general engineering services. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item #8: Review proposed *Ordinance 2010-04* regarding livestock
- Over the past few months, staff, local residents and Friends of Gonzales Animal Shelter have held regular meetings in regards to addressing the current Livestock Ordinance. More specifically, the possession of horses within the City limits of Gonzales. The City Council was asked to instruct staff to proceed with the process of amending the Ordinance. However, the Council also had the following options: (1) not changing the Ordinance by instructing staff to do nothing and not continue the process, (2) work on a different amendment which could include the elimination of the Ordinance that allows the keeping of any

livestock within the city limits.

- Councilman Schurig moved to instruct staff to proceed with the process of amending the Ordinance 2010-04 concerning livestock within the City limits. Councilman Logan seconded the motion. There being no further discussion Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 9: Review the investment report for quarter ending March 31, 2010.

  Council reviewed the investment report and did not have any questions for Finance Director, Joe Cavazos.
- Item # 10: Discuss GEDC Appointments.
- Councilman Hernandez moved to nominate Clarence Opiela and Hector Porras to be appointed to the GEDC board to finish the terms out of the two board members that resigned. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal stated that he wanted the Council to be aware that with these nominations the board would be heavily represented by District 4. Five out of the seven are representing District 4. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 11: Discuss P & G Acquisitions, LLC rezoning request
- P & G Acquisitions, LLC submitted applications to change zoning from one zoning district, currently R-2 multi-family residential, to another zoning district of C-1, light commercial. Tim Gescheidle, Planning and Zoning Commission Chairman, addressed the Council about the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting and public hearing held that morning. The Commission voted unanimously to recommend the application of P&G Acquisitions, LLC be approved to rezone the property from R-2 to C-1.
- Councilman Schurig moved to approve the zoning change from R-2 multi-family residential to C-1 light commercial with a 25' foot front yard setback. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. There being no further discussion Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the Livestock Ordinance during Item # 8 consideration.

Judy Torr – Resident of Gonzales County, and was involved in the process writing the proposed ordinance. Ms. Torr stated that she thinks the real value in the direction that

they have gone is the permitting process that will be required for people to have a horse in town.

Darla Cherry – President and Chairman of Meadow Haven Horse Rescue and Sanctuary, which is based in Nixon. She stated that she had concerns in regards to the enforcement of the new ordinance and that she would be willing to help out in any way she can.

Charles Hastings - Also helped work on the proposed ordinance and feels that there are some horses that need special attention, but that you can't point your finger at just one person you have to resolve the whole problem.

Juliana Henneg – Wanted to see the elected officials do something about this issue.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

Main Street Administrator, Barbara Friedrich, addressed the Council about the upcoming Main Street reassessment.

#### **ADJOURN**

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Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Schroeder the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

APPROVED:

# CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING JULY 6, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Tuesday, July 6, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak,

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Item # 1: Open Public Hearing

Mayor O'Neal opened the public hearing to receive comments on proposed *Ordinance* 2010-04, which would amend the current Zoning Code to require Specific Use Permits for the possession of livestock, specifically horses in the City limits.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for June 1, 2010.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of June 1, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: Discuss and consider *Ordinance 2010-05* regarding Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) Funding.

Finance Director, Joe Cavazos, presented to Council informing them of the need to remove the maximum contribution rate limit. This limit, known as the statutory maximum, or "stat max," is not a limit of the cost of a plan, but rather is simply a limit on the maximum a city could be required to contribute for the plan. By adopting this ordinance the City is agreeing to fund the costs of the pension benefits included in the City's plan. This Ordinance will also allow the City of

- Gonzales to impose its own "limit" on the contribution rate by using its discretion in determining which potential plan improvements to adopt, or not adopt, based on the calculated contribution rate.
- Following review, Councilman Logan moved to adopt *Ordinance 2010-05* electing for the City of Gonzales to make current service and prior service contributions to the City's account with the Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 3: Discuss and consider Resolution 2010-08; designating a Tax Collector
- Councilman Logan moved to approve *Resolution 2010-08* designating Mrs. Norma Jean Dubose as the City's Tax Collector to calculate the City's effective and rollback tax rates for 2010. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 4: Appointment/Reappointment of Representatives to the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission.
- Councilman Logan moved to reappoint Mayor O'Neal and Councilman Hernandez to the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 5: Closure of Public Hearing.

  Mayor O'Neal closed the public hearing at 6:07PM.
- Item # 6: Discuss and consider *Ordinance 2010-04* regarding livestock.
- Following review, Councilman Schurig moved to approve Ordinance 2010-04, as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, amending Section 14.309 of the current Zoning Ordinance requiring Specific Use Permits for the possession of livestock, specifically horses, within the City limits. There will be a 120 day grace period, and also included that a charge for goats that are to be used for 4-H or FFA projects be waived since these animals are vaccinated and closely monitored. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the proposed Ordinance 2010-04 during the Opening of the Public Hearing.

Ann Covert - Mrs. Covert was on the team that helped compose this ordinance along with local law enforcement, Friends of Gonzales Animal Shelter and local horse owners. She asked Council to please consider this ordinance.

Barbara Hand, Chamber Director – Thanked everyone that worked hard on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event down at JB Wells Park.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

City Manager, Huseman asked Council to please get some dates together for a Council retreat and get back with him. If they cannot hold it in July it will be in September.

#### **ADJOURN**

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Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Schroeder the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

## CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 3, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Tuesday, August 3, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

Members Absent:

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6 p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for July 6, 2010.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of July 6, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Item # 2: Police Department oaths of office ceremony.

  Mayor O'Neal administered the Oaths of Office to Officers Jason Montoya and Jimmy Navarro.
- Item # 3: Use of Squares and closing streets for Come and Take It 2010.

  Chamber of Commerce Director Barbara Hand, on behalf of the Come and Take It

  Committee, requested the use of the Texas Heroes and Confederate Squares and the closing of certain streets during the 2010 Celebration, October 1, 2, and 3.
- Councilmember Hernandez moved to grant the request for the October 1, 2, 3, 2010
  Come and Take It Celebration. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion.
  Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig,
  Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by
  unanimous vote.

- Item # 4: Knights of Columbus #5090 request to sell beer on Confederate Square.
- Chamber of Commerce Director Barbara Hand, on behalf of the Gonzales Knights of Columbus #5090, requested Council approval to sell beer on Confederate Square at the 2010 Come and Take It Celebration.
- Councilmember Logan moved to grant the request of the Knights of Columbus for the 2010 Come & Take It celebration. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 5: Street closure and request to sell beer for Jamaica celebration.
- Terry Brennan, on behalf of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, requested Council approval to close certain streets and to sell beer within 300 feet of a church for the annual Jamaica celebration September 11, 2010.
- Councilmember Logan moved to grant the request of Sacred Heart Catholic Church for the street closures and beer sales for the annual Jamaica celebration.

  Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 6: Back to School Fundraiser.
- Johnny Ross Hunt requested the use of Heroes Square on August 13, 2010 from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM to host a Gospel Back to School Fundraising event that would help local low income families acquire the school supplies that will be needed for the upcoming school year.
- Councilmember Logan moved to grant the request of Mr. Hunt to allow for the use of Heroes Square on August 13, 2010 from 6:30PM to 9:00PM to host a Gospel Back to School Fundraising event. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item #7: Discuss and consider *Ordinance 2010-05 Flood Damage Prevention*City Manager David Huseman presented the changes to the current Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. It was recommended by staff that Council adopt a 1 foot or 12 inch above BFE requirement and that all ductwork, plumbing and electrical be built 1 foot above the BFE as well. The other addition, as recommended by FEMA, was a penalties and severability clause. Mr. Huseman stated that this does not affect current structures in the floodplain. It will only affect new

structures or additions.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve Ordinance 2010-05 which concerns Flood Damage Prevention. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #8: Lynn Theater Modification Agreement.

Economic Development Director Carolyn Gibson, GEDC President Connie Kacir, GEDC Treasurer Clint Hille and GEDC Secretary Jim Logan respectfully requested City Council approval to move forward with the execution of the Modification Agreement with Cal Collins in order for the Lynn Theater to re-open for business.

Following discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to reject the Lynn Theater Modification Agreement and advise GEDC to move forward with foreclosure immediately. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Logan and Mayor O'Neal voted aye. Councilmember Hernandez voted nay. The motion carried with a 4 to 1 vote.

Item #9: Set a proposed tax rate.

"If the proposed rate exceeds the rollback rate or the effective rate, whichever is lower, the Council must vote to place a proposal to adopt the rate on the agenda of a future meeting as an action item. The vote must be recorded; the proposal must specify the desired rate; the City Council cannot vote to adopt a proposal to increase taxes by an unspecified amount" according to the Truth-in-Taxation 2010 Property Tax guide.

Following brief discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to adopt the 2010 effective tax rate of .2603 for the City of Gonzales' next year property tax rate.

Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #10: Two (2) Public Hearing Dates to be attended by a Quorum of the Gonzales City Council to Receive Comments on the Proposed Tax Rate.

If the motion to consider a tax rate that exceeds the effective tax rate passes (the tax rate proposed from the previous item #), Council must schedule two public hearings on the proposed rate.

Because the tax rate does not exceed the effective tax rate there was no need to set dates for public hearing.

Item #11: GISD Traffic Control Plans.

Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Larry Wehde presented the traffic control plan that the Gonzales Independent School District (GISD) has been working with traffic engineers, architects, City staff, TxDOT and others to develop a plan to alleviate the traffic congestion and safety concerns that surround the schools when children are being dropped off or picked up.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the GISD Traffic Control plan as presented. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the Lynn Theater Modification Agreement.

Clayton Wilkerson- Has been involved with the Lynn Theater's live productions and supports the theater and asked the Council and Mayor to consider accepting the agreement.

There were no other public comments.

#### **GRANTS**

The project is complete but not finalized.

Mr. Huseman reported that we recently received a \$5000 grant from the Texas Historical Commission towards the study of the murals and the paint at the Memorial Museum.

Mr. Huseman also reported that our pre-application was moved to the next round to be considered for monies from the Texas Historical Preservation Trust Fund

Both of the above grants were written and submitted by Glenda Gordon on behalf of the Memorial Museum.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were included in Council packets.

# **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Schroeder the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

Mayor

# CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING September 7, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Tuesday, September 7, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6 p.m.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Item # 1: 2010 Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program Grant
Mayor O'Neal opened the public hearing to receive comments on proposed 2010 Texas
Capital Fund, Main Street Program Grant

Item #2: 2010 Texas Parks and Wildlife Boating Access Ramp Grant
Mayor O'Neal opened the public hearing to receive comments on proposed 2010 Texas
Parks and Wildlife Boating Access Ramp Grant

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for August 3, 2010.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of August 3, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: American Red Cross Award Presentation for Shelby Martinez & Coltin Russell

American Red Cross Director, David DeLeon and State Representative Edmund Kuempel were present to present Shelby and Coltin with distinguished awards on behalf of the American Red Cross and the State of Texas House of Representatives.

- Item # 3: Receive Fiscal Year Ending 2010 Audit Report
- Mr. Jerry Floyd, of Floyd and Gindler, P.C., Certified Public Accountants, presented Council with the fiscal year ending 2010 Audit Report. Mr. Floyd reported that the City received a clean opinion, meaning that it is materially in compliance for fiscal year 2009-2010. No action was necessary.
- Mayor O'Neal asked Mr. Floyd in regards to the talk about funds being mishandled or misplaced over the past year. Mr. Floyd stated that, that was the first thing he took into consideration when beginning the audit. Mr. Floyd stated that there was no change in Fund Balance other than misses in the utility funds. Mr. Floyd continued to say that what happened was that the funds changed. The City had less cash because of the construction of the new water treatment plant. The plant was paid for with cash rather than having to go out and borrow money. Overall, Fund Balance did not change because what the City was doing was changing it from one asset, cash, to another asset, capital.
- Item # 4: Receive Quarterly Investment Report.
- The Public Funds Investment Act requires a report reflecting investment transactions and activity to be presented to City Council on a quarterly basis. The report was presented to Council in their packets. No action was necessary and no questions were asked of staff.
- Item # 5: Discuss and consider Ordinance 2010-06; Adopting Effective Tax Rate
- Councilmember Logan moved to adopt ORDINANCE 2010-06 AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND LEVYING MUNICIPAL AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS, FOR THE YEAR 2010, FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2010, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2011, AT THE RATE OF \$0.2603 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) VALUATION. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 6: Discuss and consider Telehandler Bid from Holt
- City Manager, David Huseman asked that Council postpone action on this item for a later date due several questions from Councilmembers.
- Councilmember Schurig moved to table this item regarding the bid for a telehandler from Holt-Caterpillar. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig,

Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #7: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-11;* Accepting Designation as Community Library

Caroline Helms, Library Director with the Gonzales Public Library gave a brief description of how The Gonzales Public Library recently received accreditation as a member of the Texas Library System, by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. System membership will provide the Library with many additional services and resources, such as free consulting, training, and additional grant opportunities. The library has already received a \$4000 grant through the program.

Councilmember Logan moved to accept *Resolution 2010-11;* Accepting Designation as Community Library under the Library System Act for the Gonzales Public Library. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #8: Close Public Hearing

Mayor O'Neal called for final comments, and then closed the Public Hearing.

Item #9: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-10*; Texas Parks & Wildlife Boating Access Ramp Grant

Councilmember Schroeder questioned the overall cost of the project regarding dirt work and lighting. City Engineer Keith Schauer explained that the project is not just a boat ramp, but also includes parking, concrete drive and retaining wall. City Manager, David Huseman explained the purpose of the lighting in regards to preventing vandalism and providing additional lighting under the bridge for users of the ramp itself. Part of the cost also includes the burying of utility lines up to the project itself.

Following brief discussion, Councilmember Schurig moved to adopt *Resolution 2010-10;* Texas Parks & Wildlife Boating Access Ramp Grant. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #10: Discuss and Consider *Resolution 2010-15;* Multiple Use Agreement with TxDot for use of Right-of-Way.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve *Resolution 2010-15*; Multiple Use Agreement with TxDot for use of Right-of-Way. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #11: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-12*; Identifying Conditions within Main Street Target Area

Councilmember Logan moved to approve *Resolution 2010-12;* Identifying Conditions within Main Street Target Area of Gonzales for the purpose of meeting National Program objectives required for funding under the Texas Capital Main Street Improvement Program. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #12: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-13;* Authorizing Submission of a Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program Grant Application

Councilmember Logan moved to approve *Resolution 2010-13*; Authorizing Submission of a Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program Grant Application. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #13: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-14;* approving an Application for Funding through the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve *Resolution 2010-14*; approving an Application for Funding through the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #14: Discuss and consider adopting the City of Gonzales Citizen Participation Plan.

Coucilmember Logan moved to adopt the City of Gonzales Citizen Participation Plan. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #15: Discuss and consider adopting the City of Gonzales Citizen Complaint Procedures for the Texas Community Development Program.

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt City of Gonzales Citizen Complaint Procedures for the Texas Community Development Program. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **GRANTS**

City Manager, David Huseman reported that we are still waiting on final close out documents in regards to NRCS and ORCA grants.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the 2010 Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program Grant.

David Dement spoke in favor of the grant saying that it would be great to get the sidewalks down and get some ADA compliance downtown and bring the drainage all the way down.

Ann Covert asked that all citizens fly flags on 9/11 in reverence to the people that lost their lives.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Staff reports were included in Council packets.

Councilmember Schroeder questioned about the Streets Department seal coating streets. He also questioned the St. George street project. Mr. Huseman stated that, that is what this grant is being used for. Mr. Huseman stated that if we do not receive the grant we will go ahead and seal coat them.

Councilmember Schurig questioned the status of the implantation of the new Specific Use Permit Ordinance regarding livestock. City Secretary, Jamie Walshak, informed Council that they are currently working with a test subject to test the procedure of issuing the permit and further elaborated on the process.

# **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Schroeder the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

Mayor

# CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING October 5, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Tuesday, October 5, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the igvocation at 6 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Item # 1: Regarding substandard buildings located at.

931 St. John Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas

933 St. John Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas

1015 Cuero Pt. 3, Gonzales Tier 2, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas

(1015 Cuero Street was removed from the Public Hearing due to missing information)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for September 7, 2010.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of September 7, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted are. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: Discuss and Consider Library Board Appointments and Reappointments Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to appoint Neely Yackel to a 2 year term on the Gonzales Library Board and to reappoint Jan Peterson, W.T. Miller, and Vicki Frenzel for an additional 2 year term. Councilmember Logan also thanks Paul Neuse for his many years of service. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 3: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-16;* Change of Regular Council Meeting Date in November

Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *Resolution 2010-16*; to change the November 2010 meeting to November 1, 2010, due to Election Day in the State of Texas. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 4: Discuss and consider Resolution 2010-17; AWOS Grant

Steve Smart, with the National Weather Service, spoke about the benefits for getting this system. Mr. Smart stated that it would be a life saving device and it would benefit growth and development. Megan Cafall, with TxDot Aviation Division, addressed Council about the additional benefits of being recognized on the National Weather map by having an AWOS system.

Following review and discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *Resolution* 2010-17 to install an automated weather observing system at the Roger M. Dryer Memorial Airport. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 5: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-18*; designating a Texas History Museum District in the City of Gonzales

Following a brief presentation by Barbara Crozier where she explained that this district is a name only district and will be non-regulatory. Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *Resolution 2010-18* to be the first City in the State of Texas to designate a Texas History Museum District and also thanked everyone involved for their many hours of hard labor to see that our great City continues to preserve a history for past, present and future generations. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 6: Close Public Hearing

Mayor O'Neal called for final comments, and then closed the Public Hearing.

Item #7: GBRA – Independence Paddling Trail Update

Tommy Streeter Rhoad, Economic Development Manager with GBRA, addressed the Council on updates regarding the paddling trail in Gonzales and requested that the City provide Texas Parks and Wildlife with the required information in order to complete the informational kiosk to be provided by GBRA. Council directed staff to take care of that issue.

Item #8: Discuss and consider Needham License Agreement

Bob Burchard, representing Boyce and Lavonne Needham, requested that the Council look favorably on the License agreement that they were requesting. The Needham's property is located 3 miles North of Gonzales on Highway 183 on County Road 245. Their home is currently sitting on a closed City Street. The License agreement requested use of the street for a period of 99 years, and if the street is ever to be opened the property owner would have to give the City sufficient land in order to continue the City street.

Following brief discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to enter into a License Agreement between the City of Gonzales and Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Needham for the use of City property that runs through their property. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #9: Discuss and consider action regarding substandard buildings located at: 931 St. John Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas

Following brief discussion, Councilmember Logan moved for the City of Gonzales to declare the structures at 931 and 933 St. John substandard and direct Staff to work with the property owners to give them the appropriate time for them to be rehabilitated or be demolished. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #10: Receive Fiscal Year Ending 2010 Audit Report for Gonzales Economic Development Corp.

Council received the Fiscal Year Ending 2010 Audit Report for GEDC.

Item #11: Discuss and consider Dump Truck Purchase

Councilmember Hernandez moved to table this item. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #12: Request for closure of City Streets and provision of running lanes for Youth for Christmas 5K

Mr. Roy Maldonado requested approval/support from the City on providing running lanes and a couple of street closures. The event will be directed by Catholic Youth Council and will benefit Catholic religious education and events. Event name is YOUth for CHRISTmas 5k Fun Run and Kids K. The Run will begin on College Street @ St. James Church continue East on St. Louis, thru the Disc Golf Park, back to St. Lawrence, and Finish on College street.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve the closing of the mentioned streets for the provision of running lanes for the YOUth for CHRISTmas 5k Fun Run and Kids K event on December 4, 2010. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #13: Request for use of Confederate Square for Happy Fall Y'all Celebration

Barbara Friedrich, Main Street Administrator, requested the use of Confederate square on October 30, 2010 for the Happy Fall Y'all from 6pm-8pm which is sponsored by Gonzales Main Street and Gonzales High School and Jr. High Anchor Clubs.

Coucilmember Logan moved to approve the use of Confederate Square to be used for the Happy Fall Y'all event to be held on October 30, 2010 from 6pm to 8pm. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Item #1: Discuss and consider Telehandler Bid from Holt.

Councilmember Hernandez moved to table the telehandler bid from Holt. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote.

Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item#2: Discuss and consider action regarding St. George Street project area.

Councilmember Schroeder stated that he agreed that patchwork would not be cost effective at this time, but would like to know when they could expect resolution to this problem. City Manager, David Huseman, stated that we will know about the grants that we applied for soon. If we get the grant to do the 300 block and we can do all of the curb and gutter and all of the paving at once, then that would be advantageous for everyone. If we aren't going to get the grant then we will proceed with paving and curb and gutter for the 100 and 200 blocks immediately.

Councilmember Hernandez requested that we be clearer on the job.

#### **GRANTS**

City Manager, David Huseman reported that we have received the bill from regarding NRCS and have paid that. We are waiting on reimbursement from them and the project is done.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the substandard building located at:

931 St. John Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas 933 St. John Lots Pt. 2, Range 1, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas

Jacob Aguerro, stated that they have made the necessary steps to keep the house protected from the elements. They have treated it for rodents and pests. He also addressed the fact that there is no electrical threat due to the fact that the electricity has been disconnected for a number of years. He asked that the Council give them time to make substantial repairs.

James Ryan commented in reference to the Youth Center on St. George Street and would like to see a resolution soon due to parking and safety issues.

Pat Ryan and Liz Hernandez would like to see a resolution timeline for the completion of the St. George Street project.

Barbara Hand, Executive Director of Chamber of Commerce, Commented that we had a very successful Come & Take It celebration bringing in over \$115,000 in food booths, and thanked the City Staff for being so helpful and wonderful.

# **ADJOURN**

City Secretary

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Hernandez the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mayor

# CITY OF GONZALES SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 25, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Monday, October 25, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Discuss and consider a replat of a subdivision in the Gonzales Industrial Park, owned by Gonzales Area Development Corporation.

Following review, Councilmember Schroeder moved to approve the requested replat of the subdivision in the Gonzales Industrial Park. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal all voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Schroeder and second by Councilmember Logan the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

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# CITY OF GONZALES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING November 1, 2010 MINUTES

The City Council convened a Called Session at 6 p.m., Monday, November 1, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum:

Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy

Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan

Others Present:

City Manager David Huseman, City Secretary Jamie Lee Walshak

City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Item # 1: Regarding a substandard building located at:
 1015 Cuero Pt. 3, Gonzales Tier 2, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas
 Councilmember Schurig moved to postpone action on this item so that proper notification could be given. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion.
 Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #2: Regarding a replat of a subdivision located in the 700 block of St. Francis owned by Ron and Sandy Zent.

Mayor O'Neal opened the public hearing for the above replat request at 6:04p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for October 5 & 25, 2010.

Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the minutes of September 7, 2010 as stated. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: Discuss and consider *Resolution 2010-19*; approving the Levy Roll as per Section 26.09(e) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

- Following review, Councilmember Logan moved to adopt *Resolution 2010-19*; approving the Levy Roll as per Section 26.09(e) of the Texas Property Tax Code. Councilmember Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 3: GEDC action: Tropical Fusions' funding request of \$200,000.00.
- At the October 25, 2010 GEDC meeting, the Board approved the request of Mr. Robert E. Lee, owner of Tropical Fusions, for funding in the amount of \$200,000.00, amortized over 20 years at an interest rate of 2.25%. Tropical Fusions is an existing company relocating to Gonzales from San Antonio.
- Following review and discussion, Councilmember Schroeder moved to approve the funding request of \$200,000.00 to Robert E. Lee, owner of Tropical Fusions; to relocate his existing business to Gonzales is appropriate Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 4: Tropical Fusions Land Denotation.
- At the October 25, 2010 GEDC Meeting, the Board approved the request of Mr. Robert E. Lee, Owner of Tropical Fusions, for the gift deeding of 3.5 acres of land in the Gonzales Industrial Park, contingent upon the completion of the transfer of that land from GADC to GEDC.
- Following review and discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to approve the gift deeding of 3.5 acres of land in the Gonzales Industrial Park, contingent upon the completion of the transfer of that land from GADC to GEDC, to Robert E. Lee, owner of Tropical Fusions, is appropriate. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 5: GEDC action: Victoria College's funding request of \$400,000.00 for the expansion of the Gonzales Campus.
- At the October 25, 2010 GEDC Meeting, the Board approved the request of Victoria College for funding in the amount of \$400,000.00, for the expansion of the Gonzales Campus, to include a facility designed to teach construction trade courses and a new science lab.
- Following review and discussion Councilmember Schurig moved to approve the funding request of \$400,000.00 to Victoria College for the expansion of the Gonzales Campus is appropriate. Councilmember Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig,

Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 6: Requested use of Confederate Square and City streets.

Main Street Administrator, Barbara Friedrich, requested the use of Confederate square for the annual Winterfest Celebration on December 3-4, 2010. She also requested that the following streets be closed on December 3, 2010 for the lighted Christmas parade: Spur 146 at St. Peter and St John Streets, St. James at St. Louis and St. Lawrence Street, ST. Lawrence at St. James and St. Joseph Street, Business 183 at St. Matthew and St. Andrew Streets, and St. Paul at St. Andrew and St. Louis Streets.

Councilmember Logan moved to approve the request of the Main Street Advisory Board for the use of Confederate Square for their annual Winterfest Celebration on December 3-4, 2010, and for the mentioned streets to be closed for the lighted Christmas parade on December 3, 2010. Councilmember Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #7: Close Public Hearing
Mayor O'Neal called for final comments, and then closed the Public Hearing.

Item #8: Discuss and consider replat of subdivision located in the 700 block of St. Francis owned by Ron and Sandy Zent.

Following brief discussion, Councilmember Logan moved to deny the replat of the property located in the 700 block of St. Francis Street. Councilmember Schurig seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item #9: Quarter Ending September 30, 2010, Investment Report.

City Council reviewed the Investment Report. Finance Director, Joe Cavazos, stated that interest rates were very low at this time.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Discuss and consider Telehandler Bid from Holt
- 2. Discuss and consider Dump Truck Purchase

Councilmember Logan moved to table these two items so that Staff could attend a heavy equipment auction in Houston on November 2-3, 2010. Councilmember

Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmembers Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **GRANTS**

City Manager, David Huseman reported that we are waiting on ORCA.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments regarding the replat request made by Ron and Sandy Zent:

Dean Wyman – Urged Council not to adopt the replat based on the fact that he was afraid of what the property owners were going to do with the property. He had heard rumors that they were going to place modular homes on the lots and he did not want that in the neighborhood.

Joe Ince – Stated that he objected to the replat and the he didn't feel that he had enough information to make a decision on it.

Frank Stockton – Felt that he was not given enough information or time to make a decision on this replat. He urged Council to deny it.

Dean Wyman – Spoke before the closure of the public hearing and stated that he was still not in support of the replat since the property owners were not present to state what their plans were for the property.

Del De la Santos – Urged Council for non-approval of the replat.

Paul Pettijohn – Stated that there he felt that there was a potential danger in the 200 block of Fair St. On Halloween evening traffic flow is a major issue. He recommended that traffic flow one way on some streets in that area versus placing up road blocks. He stated that if there had been an emergency where first responders or the fire department needed to get to a residence that there was no way for them to do so due to the traffic and blocked streets.

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Upon a motion by Councilmem the meeting adjourned at 7:16	ber Logan and second by Councilmember Hernandez p.m.
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#### **CITY OF GONZALES** REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING **DECEMBER 7, 2010 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:01 p.m., Tuesday, December 7, 2010, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

The following members were present constituting a quorum: Mayor Bobby O'Neal, Councilmembers Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Robert A. Logan.

Others Present: City Manager David Huseman, Economic Development Director Carolyn Gibson acting as Recording Secretary, and City Attorney Jackie Williamson

Mayor O'Neal called the meeting to order and gave the invocation at 6:01 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor O'Neal opened the Public Hearing at 6:03p.m. for the following 2 agenda items:

Item # 1: Regarding a substandard building located at:

1015 Cuero Pt. 3, Gonzales Tier 2, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County

Texas. Citizen Mike Hanson spoke on this proposed demolition.

Regarding the rezoning application of Sand Source US, Inc. to change the subject property from A-O Agricultural to M01 Industrial.

> Citizens Dorothy Walshak, Dorothy Ploeger, Mark Ploeger, Barbara Hand, Sally Ploeger and Patti Britt; and Attorney Norman Burns, representing

JPTM ONE, LP, spoke on this proposed rezoning.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item #2:

Item # 1: Approve the draft minutes for November 1, 2010.

> Following review. Councilman Logan moved to approve the minutes of November 1, 2010 as stated. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The

motion passed by unanimous vote.

Item # 2: Discuss and consider the adoption of a Golf Course Fee Schedule for Gonzales Independence Golf Course. Golf Course Advisory Board

member Jon Such asked City Council to consider a proposed fee schedule for the golf course that would be effective April 1, 2011. After discussion. Councilman Logan made the motion to adopt the new fees as

presented, to be effective April 1, 2011.

Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Item # 3: Discuss and consider an Interlocal Agreement with Victoria College.
  City Manager David Huseman reported that the City Attorney had reviewed the agreement between the City of Gonzales and Victoria College prior to its presentation to Council. After discussion, Councilman Logan made the motion to adopt the Interlocal Agreement with Victoria College as presented. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion.
  Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Appointment to Main Street Advisory Board.

  After thanking everyone who serves on the Main Street Advisory Board,
  Councilman Logan made the motion to appoint Kacey Lindemann Butler
  to the Main Street Board to fill Greg Little's unexpired term ending
  December 2012. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. Mayor
  O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig,
  Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion
  passed by unanimous vote.
- Item # 5: Mayor O'Neal Mayor O'Neal called for final comments, and then closed the Public Hearing at 6:24p.m.
- Item # 6: Discuss and consider action regarding a substandard building located at: 1015 Cuero, Pt. 3, Gonzales Tier 2, City of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas. After discussion, Councilman Hernandez made the motion to proceed with the Building and Standards Inspector, Samuel Lewis' recommendation. Councilman Logan seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- Item #7: Discuss and consider the rezoning application of Sand Source US, Inc. to change the subject property from A-O Agricultural to M-1 Industrial. After discussion, Councilman Logan made the motion to rezone the aforementioned property from A-O Agricultural to M-1 Industrial. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor O'Neal called for a roll call vote. Councilmen Schroeder, Schurig, Hernandez, Logan, and Mayor O'Neal each voted aye. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **GRANTS**

City Manager, David Huseman reported that the \$350,000.00 TDRA (ORCA) grant was being closed out, and this would enable the City to apply for more TDRA grants.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor O'Neal asked for any public comments.

JoAnn Leifeste and Don Leifeste spoke regarding city sidewalk ordinances.

Barbara Hand reported that the 2010 Come and Take It event netted over \$89,000.00 to the community, to 16 organizations.

David Luedke and Mike Hanson spoke regarding the Leifeste's concern regarding city sidewalk ordinances.

Pat Anders-Ryan with the Gonzales Youth Center spoke regarding the St. George Street project completion, that funds were short for the Youth Center, and the Center would be celebrating 15 years of helping youth in the community.

Mayor O'Neal thanked those who spoke for their time and comments.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

City staff reports were presented to Council prior to the meeting for their review. There were no questions of staff, who were available for any questions.

#### **ADJOURN**

Upon a motion by Councilmember Logan and second by Councilmember Hernandez the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

City Secretary

APPROVED:

Mayor