

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

The following member was not present: Gary Schroeder

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Diane Hurley, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Robert Miller, Pam Larison, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Crow, James Conquest, Gary Shock, Keith Schauer, Todd Remschel

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1, Mayor Logan stated he would like to open this meeting with a public hearing; this Public Hearing is for citizen input regarding the Texas Capital Fund Main Street Program (TCF) Close-Out. No comments were made but the Mayor stated that he would leave the Public Hearing session open until all public comments are made.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vicki Frenzel- addressed the Council regarding the Landscaping at Texas Heroes Square. She stated that she feels it is a fitting tribute to the men that went to the Alamo from this area, as well as a wonderful tourist site.

Carolyn Gibson-Baros-stated that she received an email from a visitor to the City of Gonzales over the holiday. The visitor said the visitor center was not open but while they were walking around town a local person was walking her dog and walked up to them and asked if they were visitors. The person took them to their place of business, gave them brochures, told them things to see and places to eat. The person that did this is actually here tonight and it is Linda Julius. The lady that they were so kind to was the Vice President of marketing for the Texas Travel Industry Association.

Mayor Logan then closed the Public Hearing.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item, #2, Mayor Logan swore in a new Police Officer for the City of Gonzales-Trey Tunis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3, #4, #5. The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meetings held on December 4, 2012, December 11, 2012 and December 12, 2012 and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 4, 2012, December 11, 2012 and December 12, 2012 council meetings. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes, presented the Boards and Commissions Member Handbook. He stated that in December the Council was presented a very early draft of the Boards and Commissions Handbook at that time we asked for input from the Council, since then we have incorporated that input into the Handbook. This book will outline the responsibilities and establish some criteria of appointments. It also outlines the procedures of how to run the meeting. It talks about the history of each board, what makes a quorum and what officers are included. It also recommends the establishment of three new boards. Mayor Logan called for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-01 Adopting the Boards & Commissions Member Handbook. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. Main Street Administrator, Barbara Friedrich, the advertisement was placed in the paper of record, and stated the individuals were up for reappointment and listed the names that applications were received by to be appointed to the Main Street Board. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-02 Re-appointing Egon Barthels, Kacey Butler and Connie Dolezal to the Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board for a tow year term from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2014; appointing Susan Weber, Melissa Taylor and Michelle London to the Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board for a two year term from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2014; appointing George Wilhelm to the Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board for a one year term from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #8. City Attorney, Jackie Williamson, presented the License Agreement between the City of Gonzales and Dorothy Ploeger Walshak. The residence is located lot number three (3) block five (5) in the State Park Addition to the Town of Gonzales. The residence located on the property encroaches 5.4 feet onto Jahnke Street. Ms. Ploeger is in the process of selling the property and is requesting a License Agreement for the term of 31 years. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-03 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a License Agreement from the City of Gonzales to Dorothy Ploeger Walshak for a term of thirty-one (31) years. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the position of Special Projects Manager would be basically a customer service position to take citizen requests and

follow up with the citizen as well as the department heads. The person will also be responsible for customer service training, organization wide. This position will also assist the City Manager in the area of special projects. The primary responsibility will be to make sure citizen concerns are properly and timely addressed. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-04 Establishing the position of a Special Projects Manager for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that several months ago a plan was discussed to improve the landscaping at Texas Heroes Square. At that time Council tabled the item due to some concerns it had about how the landscaping would be placed and for parking issues. A new plan has been presented for consideration that has taken all of Council's concerns in consideration and has addressed them all. It is also our understanding that someone has agreed to donate a replica of the Gonzales Battle Cannon for placement in the square. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-05 Approving a plan for Landscaping Texas Heroes Square. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the City contracted with Strategic Government Resources to facilitate the Vision, Values, Goals and Objectives for the City. The process included a public meeting and several meetings with Council and Staff. The facilitator Mike Mowery took the information from all of the workshops and compiled the final report. By adopting this resolution the Council will establish the long term goals of this organization. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-06 Approving the Goals and Objectives Draft from Strategic Government Resources. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #12. Edwards Association President, Lawrence Fryer, presented the details of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day March/Parade and is requesting the temporary closure of several city streets and the use of the Texas Heroes Square. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-07 Authorizing the temporary closure of St Lawrence Street, Church Street, Saint Joseph Street, Saint Paul Street, Saint Andrew, Kline Street and Fly Street on Monday, January 21, 2013 for the Annual Martin Luther King March/Parade. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Gonzales Master Gardeners are holding their annual Spring Plant Sale on March 23, 2013 and are requesting the use of Texas Heroes Square including the parking lots on St Louis and St Joseph Streets. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to Resolution #2013-08 Authorizing the Master Gardeners' to use the Texas Heroes Square Including the Parking Lots on St Louis Street and St Joseph St. on Saturday, March 23, 2013 for the Master Gardeners' Spring Plant Sale. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #14. City Manager, Allen Barnes, requested that we table the contract with Ace

Pipe Cleaning until more research can be done with the possibility that the City of Gonzales can do the work in a more cost effective way.

Item #15. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that during the August 7, 2012 council meeting the Council approved the retention of Texas Technology Consultants and after a few weeks the principle of the firm was not able to be reached. It is felt that it is in the best interest of the City to move to terminate the contract with Texas Technology and go out with a request for proposal for these critical services. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-10 Terminating the City of Gonzales' Contract with Texas Technology Consultants. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Item #16, City Manager, Allen Barnes, explained that the current subdivision ordinance does not permit Planned Development or Planned Unit Development in our community. He then went into more detail as to what a PD and a PUD would do for the developers and our community. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-01 Amending Chapter 10 Subdivision Regulations by adding Article 10.700 Planned Unit Developments. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor requested a roll call vote in which they all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #17. City Manager, Allen Barnes presented the Gold Award for Financial Transparency from the State Comptroller's Office to the City Council.

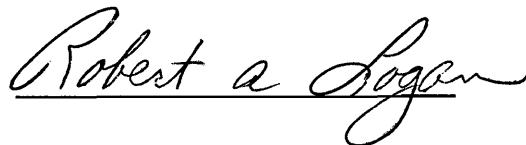
Item #18. City Manager, Allen Barnes, presented the Financial Reports and that the City of Gonzales is still revenues over expenditures.

ADJOURN

At 7:22 p.m. the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion and Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a final roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.


Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 5, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 5, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, Administrative Assistant-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Keith Schauer, Pam Larison, Carolyn Gibson Baros, Allen Taylor, Gary Shock, Barbara Friedrich, Todd Remschel, Mike Jeffrey, William Ince

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Logan stated he would like to open this meeting with a Public Hearing, which is a presentation of the budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2013 and going through September 30, 2013 and if anyone would like to speak now on that, please approach the podium and state your name and your wishes. If not I will leave the public hearing open until after public comments.

Barbara Hand - I am Barbara Hand the Executor Director of Gonzales Chamber of Commerce and I am just here to remind you of few things that are going to take place. This Friday at 5:15 the Gonzales County Veteran's Memorial Association will have the unveiling of their proposed Veteran's Memorial and that is at the corner of Saint Lawrence and Moore Street and then also we will be having our breakfast at the jail on March 1st and I understand that you will be having another City Council Meeting before the 1st of March, but we will be having our Texas Independence Day celebration with the kids on Texas Heroes Square on the 28th, I do not have the time yet but it will be around the noon hour sometime then, so I will get you all that information. Thank you very much.

Mayor Logan - Thank you. Any public comments, or on the public hearing anyone want to speak. If not I will close the public hearing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1. The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on January 8, 2013 and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2013 meeting as presented and Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #2. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council this is an item that is brought to you tonight for your consideration, we have, since I have been here, looking at various ways to communicate to our citizens, not having access to our local television and limited

access to radio and not having daily newspapers, limits some of the notifications that we can do for some of our citizens. We began researching the mass notifications system, probably six months ago, we have looked at several, we looked at reverse 911 which is the most widely known, we looked at Code Red which is the most widely used, we looked at Global Connect which is what the County and I think the School District uses and then we looked at Blackboard Connect CTY. The name Connect CTY may sound familiar with you because that is who the City and the County contracted with until about three years ago, in which the County then went to Global Connect. The City dropped out of the agreement and has relied on the County for mass notifications since that time. The cost to the City is approximately \$7,500 for a year. The difference between Blackboard Connect CTY and the other services are that Blackboard Connect can be for things other than emergencies notifications.

With Blackboard Connect CTY five or six, I do not remember which version it is, a person would have their home phone in the database of course, but they can also request that their cell phone be called, their telephone be text, they can receive emails, they can receive one, they can receive all. This will help us in various ways, not only in emergencies. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-09, a Resolution of the City of Gonzales authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Blackboard Connect CTY establishing an effective date of 5, February 2013. Councilman Opiela, seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #3. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, you have a list of surplus property, this property is owned by the City and in some respects is sitting and collecting dust, having grass grown in between it, the property ranges from lawnmowers to fire trucks to non-functional UPS computer plug-ins. We respectfully request that this property be declared surplus under the city policy and we further request authorization to sell the property at a surplus property internet auction site to be determined by staff, which will most likely be gov deals. We respectfully request the ability to get rid of this stuff. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-11 a Resolution of the City of Gonzales, Texas declaring property as surplus, approving the sale of surplus property by interest of auction and establishing an effective date as of 5th of February, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #4. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council before I start this presentation I would like to say Nathan Neuse, our Chairman of the Economic Development Corporation should get all credit for this, I will take the blame, but he should get all the credit. I do not know if you are aware or not, but on February 22- March 8th the Travis letter plead for help will be returning to the Alamo for the first time since Coronel Travis wrote the letter. Mr. Neuse thinking about that, thought how appropriate it would be to have a contingency of folks from Gonzales go to the Alamo on March 1st which is the anniversary of the day that the Immortal 32 arrived in response to Travis' letter. We thought how appropriate it would be to have at least 41 people from the City there to represent the Immortal 32 plus the 9 who were already there at the Alamo. Mayor Logan stated that having 41 people there and having a roll call would be awesome. City Manager stated that he has the roll call and there will not be a dry eye in the house. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-12 of the City of Gonzales, Texas supporting the Immortal's Day at the Alamo on March 1, 2013 and establishing an effective date as of February 5, 2013. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #5. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, you have been supplied with a copy of the proposed budget for the Interim, this item is not any action related to the budget, it is simply recognizing that staff has filled their obligation under the Charter which says that we have to file the budget prior to the start of the budget year. There are a couple of things that I

would like to point out about this budget. First of all I am going to ask you to recall or to look at it with a different lens than you do a year-long budget because some of the numbers are skewed because we have what I refer to as front loading of expenses in some departments, back loading of revenues, some departments the high time is summer and an example of that is golf, I do not know if golf has ever made very much money, but it looks like it is going to make about \$50,000 or \$60,000 because we have got pretty much the entire golf season in this six months and with all of the revenues coming in and none of the maintenance expenses that will come in the October –April part. So it's a little bit different because of that and essentially what we have done in this budget, is for the most part cut the expense in half, the revenues in half of the current budget, there are some that are higher and there are some that are lower than 50% of the current budget but what I would recommend and I do not know when we would do this but we originally scheduled to have a workshop on Saturday a week ago and at first when the Mayor and I talked about it, and I feel while I am very confident in this budget I want you to feel as confident about this budget and so what I would recommend you do is before the 19th have a workshop before the Special Meeting or have a workshop prior to that date. I would just feel comfortable. Mayor Logan asked the Council when they would like to have the meeting an hour prior to the February 19, 2013 meeting; they discussed whether or not an hour would be enough. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that he was basing that hour upon Mayor Logan asking him a question earlier and they were able to get an answer to his question immediately. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-13 of the City of Gonzales acknowledging submission of and ordering a public hearing on the budget for fiscal year beginning April 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013 with an effective date of 5 February, 2013. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, words escape me when trying to describe our phone system. We respectfully request and we are doing well with unexpected revenue, revenues have been over expenses all year. I would like the authorization to get a new phone system, and originally I said go out for bids and we may end up doing bids but I do not think or can imagine it costing more than \$25,000 which is my spending limit. I really do not know that it would cost \$20,000, you know I am not a phone guy so I would have to check with someone, but it sure would be nice if we could get a new phone system and that is just what I respectfully request. Councilman Tommy Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-14 of the City of Gonzales authorizing the City Manager to solicit bids for a new telephone system and establishing the effective date as of 5 February, 2013. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-14 of the City of Gonzales to authorize the City Manager to go out for bids for a telephone system. Councilman Schroeder seconded. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, I have our City Secretary, Kristina Vega to present this item for your consideration. City Secretary, Kristina Vega, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, the Record Retention Act is so complex and instead of taking the time to educate all of our department heads and all personnel in all aspects of the Retention Law, we recommend that going with a retention firm since their firm is highly trained and knowledgeable in all aspects of the provisions of the records program. We have found that more and more municipalities are going with retention firms to maintain their records. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this proposal was for all city records and all they will do is categorize what we can dispose of what we cannot dispose of, the ones that we can dispose of say next year, they will mark them that we can dispose them next year, they will also destroy the records, they are a one stop shop. Apparently over the last several years the records have become very commingled, I guess that is the best way to put it and the nicest way to put it, where it is going to take folks a while to figure out what is what and where it goes and Jean Collins when she was serving brought this forward and we

have been researching and working with and finally feel that we could bring it for a request. Records retention is one of the biggest pains of the City to be honest because it's like Kristina said, it is very complex and these guys can come in and look at the records and say okay this stays and this goes, where it would take us days and days to complete this. Mayor Logan asked if they really felt like they could complete this in a week's time. City Attorney, Jackie Williamson stated that she met with them one afternoon and she took them everyone to look at all of the documents. They looked through all filing cabinets and after three hours of looking everywhere they handed me a proposal. I felt very comfortable with this and strongly recommend this. City Manager, Allen Barnes said that they said it was not one of the worst that they had seen. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-15 of the City of Gonzales authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Records Consultants, Inc., for processing of inactive records with an effective date of February 5, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #8. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, Chief Crow is required once a year to submit his racial profiling to the City Council, it does not request any action on the part of the City Council, but just to acknowledge receipt of it. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-16, City of Gonzales acknowledging receipt of the Annual Racial Profiling Report from the City of Gonzales. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, the EDC Board has proved expending funds for the Gonzales County Day at the State Capitol on March 21, 2013. What they will do is take a load of folks from Gonzales and take them to the Capitol. Senator Hagar and Representative Kleinschmidt are aware of and have scheduled the dates for us. It is our hope that 4th and 7th graders are able to go, like they have in the past. I might add that there are two Resolutions that we anticipate are going to be read into the record the day that we are there. One is recognizing that October 2 is Come and Take It Day in the State of Texas and the other is declaring the Gonzales Cannon as a treasure of the State of Texas. Representative Kleinschmidt has worked very diligently to get these approved and they want to schedule the readings when we are there to do it and I thought that was a very kind gesture, and what we need is a Resolution for support from the City Council and we would appreciate that. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-17, City of Gonzales, Texas supporting Gonzales County Day at the State Capitol on March 21, 2013 and establishing an effective date of 5 February, 2013. Councilman Clarence Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, we have two members of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Jereline Clack and Paul Frenzel who have expressed that they would like to continue on the board. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-18 of the City of Gonzales reappointing Paul Frenzel and Jereline Clack to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a two year term beginning January 1, 2013 and establishing an effective date as of February 5, 2013. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, the City charter is not clear on how to proceed with a Franchise Agreement, the City Council has to read an ordinance two times at two consecutive meetings during the intervening time between the first reading and the second reading, in this case GVEC, the company receiving the franchise is required

to publish in the paper of record of the city the entire Franchise Agreement for four consecutive weeks. The Council upon completion of the advertising requirement, the Council has a second reading at the second regular meeting, and upon approval of the second reading, the franchise takes effect thirty days from the approval of the second reading. We noticed several months ago that GVEC Franchise Agreement has expired several years ago and we have been in negotiations with GVEC, we have a half percent gross sales difference of opinion, they have historically paid us two and we have asked for two and one –half, we kind of went back and forth for four or five months and finally Mr. Schauer advised me that all the other cities received two percent. They did some work for the City of Gonzales out at the Airport and did not charge us and you know it is worth that half percent to keep that working relationship. So the terms and conditions of the payment from GVEC remain the same, the term of the Franchise is shorter, I think it has been twenty-five years in the past and this is twelve years. Currently in City Government Franchise Agreements last about 10-15, they were asking for another twenty years and I told them that we wanted ten, but we traded out and took 12. I hope that all Franchise Agreements like this go the same way. Therefore, we as staff respectfully recommend approval of the first reading of this ordinance. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-02 the City of Gonzales granting a transmission and distribution of electric utility franchise for GVEC, Inc. for a twelve year term commencing on the effective date contained in various terms and conditions with a regard of a grant to such franchise establishing a severability clause and an effective date of 5 February, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

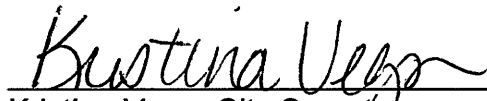
Item #12. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council, it is that time of the year, the State's election calendar has cities all over the State calling their May elections at the February meeting and we respectfully request the approval of this. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-03 of the City of Gonzales calling a City election for May 11, 2013 for electing two City Council Members, designating the polling place thereof; for early voting; providing for other matters relating to the election; and providing an effective date. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

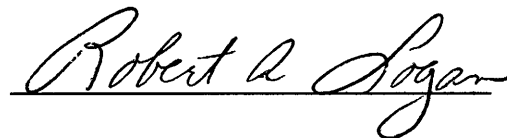
Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor, Members of the City Council you have a financial report in front of you and as I told you previously, all you have to do is look at the bottom numbers and see that it is in parenthesis.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 18, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their workshop meeting at 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 18, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Staff Present: Allen Barnes, Kristina Vega, Keith Schmidt, William Ince, Todd Remschel, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Barbara Friedrich, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock.

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 5:00 p.m.


City Manager, Allen Barnes presented to the Council information regarding the Stub Budget. He stated that the budget is basically the full budget cut in half, and that the budget would be effective April 1, 2013 and would be completed September 30, 2013. Discussion followed during which City Manager Barnes and Finance Director, Pam Larison were available to answer all questions.

The Mayor asked for a motion for the workshop to be adjourned. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The mayor then adjourned the workshop at 6:10 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 19, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their special called meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 19, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega,
City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Pam Larison, Carolyn Gibson Baros, Tim Crow, Tim Patek, Gary Shock, Barbara Friedrich, Todd Remschel, William Ince

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1. Mayor Logan stated he would like to open this meeting with a Public Hearing; this Public Hearing is for citizen input for the next Fiscal Year Budget which is beginning April 1, 2013 and going thru September 30, 2013. We are going to have a new Budget Year starting next year in October, so it's going to be a short term budget for six months. If anyone is here to talk on the budget for next year now is your time.

Tony Espinosa –Council members and Mayor, on behalf of Norma's house Deanne Novosad and I are here to give you a little update on how things are going there. We recently stopped by the City Council of Shiner, Texas and asked for their support, and after our presentation they doubled our request. They committed to \$4,000 a year for Norma's House. The City of Waelder also recommitted their annual funding and has given the residents of Waelder the option to give extra on their utility bills that would go to Norma's House. We are asking the City of Gonzales for their support in whatever they see fit.

Deanne Novosad – We provide a neutral environment for children that have been victims of abuse or a witness to the crime or is like a sibling. We try to provide them a neutral place for them to come talk about what happened to them. They come to Norma's house, tell their story one time and that information is provided to all the other agencies that need that information. Statistics state that one in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before the age of 18. That is a huge number of kids. Out of that number, Gonzales alone there is a possibility of 427 children that are victims of abuse or neglect today in Gonzales. Another statistics is that one out of ten children will actually report that they have been abused, that means that 9 out of 10 children go with never saying a word about them being abused. We are trying to give them that safe environment where they can say that this has happened. We do provide ongoing services for the victims; we do not just interview them and send them on their way

Tony Espinosa – We provide this for the family and the victims for as long as they need it. We do not turn anyone away at all, so consider us in your budget hearing and we hope to come out good and we want to thank you for the tables and chairs that the City is providing for our function Saturday and we want to invite you all to come out.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barbara Hand- I am Barbara Hand, Executive Director the Chamber of Commerce, I am on your Agenda to request the use of the Texas Heroes Square on the 28th for our Texas Independence Day celebration that will take place at 11:45 and we will have the High School band there and the 7th grade from the Junior High. I just wanted to inform you of that so when it comes time to take action, I do not have to get up again to speak to you.

Mayor Logan then closed the Public Hearing.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated to the council that we are asking to approve the use of Texas Heroes Square for the Texas Independence Celebration on February 28, 2013; Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-19 Approving the use of the Texas Heroes Square for the Texas Independence Celebration on February 28, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #3. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that we are asking to amend the Boards and Commissions Handbook to reflect that Chapter 171 of the Local Government Code shall apply to all Boards, Commissions, and Committees. We had a recent incident that came to our attention; we recently had an action by one of the Boards to approve funding for a local entity. There is an employee of that entity that is on the Board per se, that person did vote to supply their employer with funding. A couple of the other Board members brought it to our attention, asking if the conflict of interest laws apply to the Boards and Commissions. They do not unless the Council specifically directs that they will and that is the reason for this item, we are asking you to direct that if the Board member has a conflict of interest they have to recuse themselves, and fill out the same paperwork that you do if you have a conflict of interest and remove yourself from the discussion. It increases the transparency that we have and alleviates any concerns or questions that citizens may have. In discussing it with Mrs. Williamson, we decided that it would be best if we present it to you for your consideration tonight. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-20 Amending the Boards and Commissions Handbook to reflect that Chapter 171 of the Local Government shall apply to all Boards, Commissions, and Committees. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #4. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that in recent months the US has experienced tragic incidents where suspects with firearms inflicted death and injury upon both children and adults. The visceral reaction to these incidents has been the call for limits upon the individual right to keep and bear specific arms which is guaranteed by the Second Amendment of the US Constitution. Congress is currently considering legislation that would not only restrict the right of one to own particular weapons, but may require the surrender or seizure of weapons from individuals. Protection from such seizures is provided by the Fourth Amendment. Should the US approve these gun control measures the City of Gonzales will find itself in a situation very similar to the situation it was in during the fall of 1835. While the political circumstances are somewhat different, the subject matter is very similar. As we all know the immortal Come and Take It was our response then. It is the staff's recommendation that you approve this Resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-21 of the City of Gonzales, Texas to protect and defend the Constitutional right to keep and bear arms and establishing an effective date of February 19, 2013. Councilman Schurig read the Resolution in its entirety. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

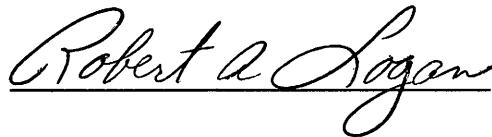
Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is brought to you tonight; it is changing primarily the definitions in Sections 14.202 and 14.310 of the current City Code. It defines crew rental housing and it also redefines other dwelling units, particularly the crew housing, it is defined as temporary dwelling commonly rented on a daily, weekly, monthly or semiannually basis for transient oil and gas drilling employees or other transient employees. The definition of duplex we have changed just a little bit, it is a residential development type which provides for not more than two (2) dwelling units within a single *principle structure* designed as a residence for non-transient tenants. We have also added on page 7, Section 14.310 Permitted and specific uses by District subsection (f) is hereby amended, subsection (f) is M-1 Industrial District, we are also adding subsection (g) which is M-1 Industrial District located North of Industrial Park Road. It will be as all uses permitted plus crew housing. If a company wanted to create a temporary crew housing normally referred to as man camps, they would have to purchase a piece of property in Industrial Park North of the Industrial Park Road, and they would be able to have that camp at that area, that is the only place in town that those will be permitted. It is staff's recommendation that the Council approve this. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-04 City of Gonzales, Texas amending Chapter 14 Sections 14.202 and 14.310 of the Code of Ordinances providing for and regulating crew rental housing; establishing a severability clause, providing an effective date of March 1, 2013. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 5, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Pam Larison, William Ince, Tim Patek, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Marlaina Haberman, Gary Shock, Tim Crow, and Laura Zella

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brenda Adams – I wanted to thank you guys for giving me the opportunity to speak to you tonight. First of all being the publisher of the Gonzales Inquirer, each year we do a reader's choice, a collection of the ballots are published in the newspaper and people in the County community can vote for their favorite. Basically I want to present these to the City and to the City employees who won. JB Wells won for the best arena, Independence Park won for the park and the golf course, Carla won for the government employee, Allen Linebrink won for the best EMS worker, Tim Crow was the best peace officer, and Keith Schmidt was the best fireman. I would like to hand this to Kristina and she can hand out their certificates. We appreciate everybody and their cooperation. Just to remind you guys that I am co-chairing with Barbara Crozier with this year for the Jim Price clean-up which is going to be April 20, 2013. We have had two meetings and things are going very well, each of the media are sponsoring a different venue on the clean-up. The radio station is sponsoring where kids can do a jingle reminding everyone about the clean-up. I believe the Cannon is doing something on an essay contest and the Inquirer we are sponsoring what we did last year, which was a poster contest and I just happen to bring some posters. If you guys want see this, we had a tremendous response last year, it is open to high schoolers in Gonzales. So anyway we would appreciate your support. I know that last year I saw some Councilmen out there that were working on the getting the trash picked up. If you have an interest in wanting to participate, I think that actually Barbara is going to be in charge of a team. If you have a business or a team then you need to contact her.

DIRECTOR INTRODUCTION

Tim Patek stated at this time we would like to introduce our new Museum Director Marlaina Haberman.

Marlaina Haberman addressed the Council and stated that she appreciated everyone introducing themselves and making her feel at home, it is a long way from Illinois to Texas, but I just want to thank you all for making me feel welcome. I have loved history ever since I was a small girl. I love to tell stories, my parents can tell you that I love to tell stories. I would love to help you tell your story

even though I come from the Midwest, I still like to tell the story of Gonzales and the surrounding area. Thank you very much.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated to the council that he has had several meetings with Southern Clay. The most recent meeting we had, they brought up that some years ago there was some confusion about their discharge. They discharge a maximum of 1800 parts per million of chloride, that seem to be kind of high. They discharge this amount over a 24 hour period. They have asked that we pass this Resolution entering into an agreement with them authorizing them to discharge between 1200 and 1800 parts per million. Their concern about any future issues with that and of course I explained to them that their level of discharge has remained the same over approximately 20 years with little variance. I told them that any agreement would have to be subject to any TCEQ changes. Staff respectfully requests that you approve this Resolution. Councilman Hernandez asked what is this going to do to us? City Manager Allen Barnes stated that nothing is changing; it has been this way for the last 20 years. Jackie Williamson stated that there was a proposed agreement in 2007, but it was never signed. Mayor Logan stated that as long as they fall between TCEQ guidelines that are what we are concerned with. City Manager Allen Barnes stated that they now have what you would call a detention pond. This really changes nothing from the City's perspective, other than we get approximately \$80,000. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-22 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an agreement with Southern Clay Products regarding the discharge of chloride in wastewater subject to future TCEQ regulatory changes with an effective date of March 5, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #2. City Attorney, Jackie Williamson, informed Council that the County Commissioners have already approved the re-sale of this property. Staff respectfully requests that you approve it also. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-23 of the City of Gonzales approving the Tax Re-Sale of property located on Lot 2, Block 1 of Burchard's Addition. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #3. Finance Director, Pam Larison, stated that on February 7, 2013, the City of Gonzales began process for request for proposals of IT professional services. Two proposals were received by the deadline of March 21, 2013. You have the fee schedule in front of you, please review. City Manager Allen Barnes stated that Dennis Nesser was brought in to stabilize the network and he came in when we had problems with the previous company. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-24 of the City of Gonzales, Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Contract with IT2Rescue for information technology services; and establishing an effective date of March 5, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #4. Finance Director, Pam Larison stated that annually the Council is asked to approve the various Special Contracts that the City provides local entities with funding, I would like to note that the DAR should be the DRT. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-25 approving Special Contract between the City of Gonzales and the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, The Gonzales Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Gonzales County Restoration Association, Gonzales Youth Center, Gonzales Christian

Assistance Ministry, and Gonzales County Senior Citizens Association. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #5. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Life Changing Church would like to use the Confederate Square for an outdoor revival on March 29, 2013 to begin at 5:30 p.m. The estimated attendance for this event is 20-50 people. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-26 Authorizing the Life Changing Church to use the Confederate Square on Friday March 29, 2013 from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. for an outdoor revival. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Apache Band Booster would like to hold a 5K on January 25, 2014. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-27 Authorizing the Apache Band Boosters to hold an Apache 5K run on Saturday January 25, 2014. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the terms have expired for several members of the Golf Advisory Board. Erwin Ckudre, Jon Such and John Sullivan have expressed interest in writing about serving another two year term to the Board. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-28 Re-Appointing Erwin Ckudre, Jon Such and John Sullivan to the Golf Advisory Board for a two year term beginning March 1, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #8. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the terms are expired for Bill Keck and Hector Porras on the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Both individuals have expressed in writing the desire to be re-appointed to GEDC. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-29 Re-appointing Bill Keck and Hector Porras to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation for a two year term beginning April 1, 2013. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the term has expired for an individual serving on the Zoning Board of Adjustments. The individual has expressed in writing the desire to be re-appointed to the ZBOA. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-30 Re-appointing Dawn O'Donnell to the Zoning Board of Adjustments for a two year term beginning January 1, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

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Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the GVEC Franchise Agreement must be read a second time as required by Charter. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-02 granting a transmission and distribution electric utility Franchise to the Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. for a twelve year term commencing on the effective date; containing various terms and conditions with regard to the grant of such Franchise. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. City Manager, Allen Barnes, states that proposed 2013-2013 six month operating budget for the City of Gonzales and appropriating and allocating the funds for said budget. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-05 adopting and approving a budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

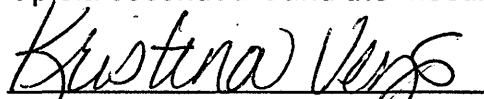
Item #12. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Texas Department of Transportation wishes to alter the prima facie speed limit on Spur 131. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-06 Altering the prima facie speed limits established for vehicles under the provisions of Section 545.356 of the Texas Transportation Code, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, upon certain streets and highways, or parts thereof, within the corporate limits of the city of Gonzales, as set out in this ordinance, providing a penalty of a fine not to exceed \$200 for the violation of this ordinance. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

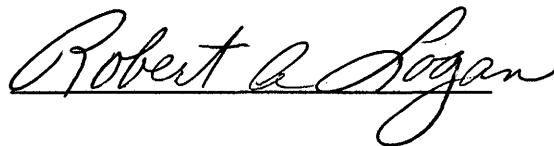
Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes presented the Finance Report and stated that the City of Gonzales is still Revenues/Expenditures.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
MARCH 20, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their workshop meeting at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 20, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Staff Present: Allen Barnes, Kristina Vega, Keith Schmidt, William Ince, Todd Remschel, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Barbara Friedrich, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock, James Conquest, Ralph Camarillo

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

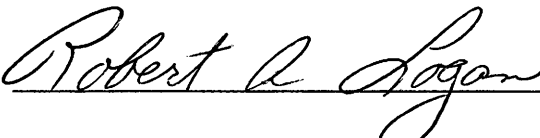
City Manager, Allen Barnes introduced Bob Henderson the City of Gonzales' Investment Representative. Mr. Henderson briefed the Council on the pros and cons of Alternative Methods of Development Infrastructure Financing including but not limited to TIF, TIRZ, TRIZ and Chapter 380 Agreements. Mr. Henderson and City Manager Allen Barnes were available to answer all questions regarding the different types of agreements.

The Mayor asked for a motion for the workshop to be adjourned. Councilman Schurig made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The mayor then adjourned the workshop at 7:25 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 2, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Pam Larison, Laura Zella, Robert Miller, Mike Jeffrey, Ralph Camarillo, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Barbara Friedrich, Marlaina Haberman, Keith Schmidt, Dewey Sumner, and Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Mercer – I have a little report on our Veteran's Memorial for this evening. First off, I would like to just say that I think that you all have done an outstanding job for the City of Gonzales and you all are promoting Gonzales very well. We had the unveiling of our sign about a month and a half ago, we have had some comments on it and they were all good. I think that we had roughly 40-50 people there that day, that went over real well and thanks to the electric department for digging our holes for us because that was the hardest part, that ground was pretty tough over there. It is going over really well, we have had a few meetings, we sat at the Master Gardener's plant sale last Saturday, it was cold, but they had a good crowd and we passed out and visited with 25-30 people that day. We have had a lot of people pick up brick applications. We have had about 100 applications sent in and have collected about 100 bricks so far. Memorials from Mr. Whitt and Mr. Keck and my Dad, Mr. Mercer and Mr. Compton, and maybe a couple of others. We have had a few other memorials come in, so I am not sure, so maybe \$2,000-\$2,500, those are round figures in there on memorials. I talked to Carolyn Gibson the other day, and she told me that her brother-in-law had offered to help us out with part of the surveying efforts. I always say that I guess I misrepresent when I say just blue prints, because I am kind of countrified, that is all that I ever thought of, but there is a whole bunch of other engineering that goes into getting the blue print forms, so that is where that total dollar bill came from, but her brother-in-law has volunteered to work with Tim and take care of sections of that surveying and all of that for us at no charge towards us, so we thank him very much and we thank Carolyn. We have designed a form since we have a lot of questions, or people do on how to fill a brick out so we have made a little form up, and I am going to pass one to you all and leave one here for the City, so you can make more copies if you need to. It is kind of a little explanation as to what you can put on it, who is eligible for it, there is one eligibility that I forgot on there, but if any of your loved ones was in the Merchant Marines in World War II, they are also considered a Veteran, I forgot to list them on there. I think that we got most everybody else. Confederate soldiers in the eyes of the government, is considered a Veteran. They changed that status, so if you have a Confederate soldier in your family and you want to buy a brick for him, you are welcome to do that also. I guess that is all that I have, and we are still raising money so that we can get Tim and let him start doing some soil samples and getting the rest of the work done and see how that goes, that way we will know how many bricks we have in the star. Right now if you want a red star or red brick and you want it in the star since we do not know how many there are there, those that are coming in first will go in the star. So

then the brown bricks when we sell those, if anybody wants brown, they will start at the edge of the star and work their way out. We are trying to get all of them that come in first to be close to the star as possible. Thank you all for your time.

Mike Hanson – Before I get started I would like to thank the police chief, I think that he is doing a great job of hiring these new police officers, we got another one that they are fixing to swear in back there and we have occasion to call the police all the time and they have just been really great to us about panhandlers and some of these people on drugs running around our different businesses and we appreciate the help to try to get some peace in this town. As you know the last three or four weeks have been real terrible, they all left I guess going South and it has left a lot of our businesses devastated. On the other side of our business we rent by the month, and we have a lot of low income rentals, but we do not take any government money. So I am here to talk on this, you have an electrical rate increase and some of these people that rent from us, you know ten years ago there were so many landlords in this town that it was pitiful. Now there is just a handful of people left in the business and you know it is just because the taxes, insurance, and the maintenance and the code inspectors and everything else have thrown them out of business and we are still in business and our rents run from \$200 up to about \$600 and we are not gouging these people like some of the landlords here in town. To make a difference for these people that are trying to survive in this county, that have not moved out, the locals that have not moved out of town to get away from these high rents. It is either they are picking to pay their electrical bills, or to pay their rent is what I am seeing. We cannot stay in business if they are going to pay their electrical bills and not pay us, so we have to move to evict in JP Court when they do not pay their rent. So to hit them hard again with more increases in the electrical rates, I think is in the wrong move at this time, especially since the rents have all doubled and tripled in this town in the last five years and I think that any of you that vote for it, and you know we are going to remember which one of you vote for it, you need to vote, I cannot understand you buy the electrical from the GVEC, why can't we just buy it directly from GVEC and cut you out as the middleman and maybe we can get some better rates, because I know some people out in the country, and they are paying a lot less than we are, we had some property in the country and it is nowhere near as high as it is here, and we are now carrying some of these bills for weekly's for some of these oil people and trying to get them in here and rent here in Gonzales and that is going to devastate our market too, we are going to have to go up on the weekly rates and daily rates if the landlord is carrying the electrical, so I would just urge anybody if you are on the City Council, if you could please not at this time raise the electrical rates because everything else is going up, the cost of living is going up and these people that are on the fringe that are just trying to make it here in this town, it used to be a very affordable town. Gonzales is getting a reputation of being out of control, so I would just urge you to please not raise the electrical rates. Thanks a lot and God bless.

Liz Hernandez – I am Liz Hernandez, I reside at 217 Botts Street and to the Council, Mr. Mayor, regarding Item #18, it is in reference to your 31 year License Agreement with a name subject on your agenda. 209 Botts Street is classified as R-1, but currently it has two separate meters, one at 209 and one at 209 1/2 Botts Street which is sitting on a 14 1/2 foot of public property that is placed between 209 and 217 and I do not have a problem with anybody purchasing that property there next door, but I would like for you to consider that to the best to my ability of my knowledge I do not remember this Council or the previous Council ever approving that to be reclassified where the two separate buildings can have two separate meters. So I wish you would consider that when making your decision, because what it does when somebody is using it, if that is used as a residence that denies me accessibility to our backyard. That is the only entrance to our backyard and if you have two or three cars parked there, we cannot get back there at all. We keep firewood back there and we like to pull it out of there and put it in the pickup and take it out to the lake and burn it, I like to burn my wood at the lake. So I do not want to be denied accessibility and it is not my intention to deter the sale of this property, I am all for revenue for the City, I think that we live in a great city and I have been informed in the business that I am in, I have customers and I have families that cannot wait to get to Gonzales. They think that Gonzales is a great community, they love the small town feel, they have heard great things about Gonzales, whether it be just

the population, infrastructure, the community, I will promote Gonzales now and I will continue to do so and I would just like for you to get the zoning right on this piece of property so that I can keep going to my backyard. Thank you for your attention.

Allison Rodriguez – I am here about the discussion of the renaming of the Middlebuster Road to Fort Waul Road. Middlebuster Road or 126 Middlebuster Road is the address of the Holiday Inn Express and Suites. I am not sure if any of you are aware of the fact that on every internet map, Google, Yahoo, etc. it was still considered County Road 510. We were made aware of what the address was going to be by Samuel Lewis. I guess our visitors and regulars familiar with where we are at, and where the road is at and for you to now reconsider to rename it is not only going to be costly for the hotel to change, not only business cards, but pretty much all of our stationary has Middlebuster Road on there, it would be very costly for us, again we have to go back to this is where we are at to all the visitors who are trying to find us. I know that as soon as they come into town they will see Holiday Inn, but because there are so many in so many small cities, they just kind of assume well it cannot be that one. I would just like it if you would consider not changing it, because of the trouble that it would cause visitors and us as well. Thank you.

SWEARING IN OFFICER

Item #1. Swearing in of New Police Officer-Dewey Sumner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #2, #3, #4. The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on February 5, 2013, February 19, 2013, and March 5, 2013 and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2013, February 19, 2013, and March 5, 2013 meeting as presented and Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Item #5. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we received a letter several months ago from LCRA announcing that they were about to raise their electric rates. We have already absorbed a 0.0022 per kilowatt hour loss; this would put us at about 1/10th of one cent of a loss. It does not sound like a lot but if you sell millions of kilowatt hours per year that is a lot of money. I would like to quote Mr. Hanson "We cannot afford to stay in business if we continue to lose money". We have a duty to our citizens to operate not at a loss, and again this is just a discussion item, however in your May packet you will receive a recommendation from staff, and I may be jumping out here a little bit because I have not talked to Pam yet, but I think what we are trying to recommend is that we establish what our costs are per kilowatt hour and we establish that by ordinance and as the rate is increased by LCRA it will annually be adjusted based on the rate of increase. That keeps our operating expenses level and adjusts with the fuels costs is what we are talking about. Again this is for discussion only, I am here, Pam is here, we can answer to the best of our ability any questions that you have. It has been five years since we raised it but we have actually had a couple of rate increases that have not been presented to Council. Mayor Logan stated that we have to at least break even at least. Since there is not action on that, we will just move on to the next item.

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that it was brought to his attention that there was some interest in renaming Middlebuster Road to Fort Waul Road. We tried to research where the name

Middlebuster came from. It is my understanding that the Guerras that own that hotel actually have some plans for additional business sites in close proximity of the hotel and honestly I do not know if they have already made some plans using the Middlebuster Road address and would incur additional costs. These are policy questions that are left to the Council by our Charter and staff respectfully requests some direction. Mayor Logan stated since the last time he spoke with Allen he did some research on how Middlebuster Road came to be and a Middlebuster in case anybody wants to know is a plow that digs up potatoes, it in a triangular shape so it does not cut the potatoes, it throws it up on top of the ground without it being cut. That use to be potato fields out there in that are, so they called it Middlebuster Road, had we known this a few years back when they were changing over to the 911 system, I could have seen them asking to change it to Fort Waul Road, since now we have businesses on the road, it would be an inconvenience to those to change it. Councilman Schurig stated that he is also in agreement. City Manager Allen Barnes stated that was the consensus of the staff that it would be up to the City Council. We have Fort Waul Street already. Mayor Logan stated that he did not see this discussion coming up for any other further action. Councilman Hernandez asked if Fort Waul Street was a dedicated street and City Manager Allen Barnes stated that it was. Mayor Logan stated that it is not on any map. He stated that he had done a lot of research on it.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this is an annual request for the Main Street concert series and the 4th of July fireworks. I was told today that we have raised approximately \$21,000 in sponsorships already for this summer's event. It is exciting and well attended by the folks here in Gonzales. I know last year was my first year to see it and we enjoyed every concert that we went to. It is a great small town event that I think that we should keep if we grow to a quarter of a million people; it is just a great home town thing. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-31 of the City of Gonzales Approving the Use of Confederate Square for the Annual Main Street Concert Series and Star Spangled Spectacular Designating the Street Closures and Sales and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #8. City Secretary, Kristina Vega stated to the Council that annually we send out bids for a request for proposal for newspaper of record. We received two bids and you can see the bid tabulation on the second page where you can compare the rates and costs. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-32 of the City of Gonzales Designating the Gonzales Cannon as the Official Newspaper of the City of Gonzales. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Gonzales Dog Adoptions has been the contractor for our animal shelter the last year or so. Our contract ended two days ago. After a bumpy start everything has gone well and we have gotten a lot of compliments on how the shelter is run. They have appeared to fulfill all of their contractual obligations. Staff respectfully requests your approval of this Resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-33, City of Gonzales Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Gonzales Dog Adoptions, Inc. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that the budget had \$125,000 for a lift station to be placed in the Independence Park. This is our first step in the huge number that you saw a few

weeks ago, for adding sewer to the whole park. As you can see the \$98,237.00 is well below the \$125,000, because this is happening so late and we are between the two budgets, it will result in a budget amendment for the six month budget, but it was budgeted in the previous year. We respectfully recommend that the contract go to Persons Service Company. You see the bid tab on the second page of the briefing, it is my understanding that all of these companies qualified. City Engineer, Keith Schauer stated that they have been doing work in town and that all of their references did check out. Councilman Opiela asked if this bid included the little league restrooms. City Engineer Keith Schauer stated that it does not get to the little league restrooms. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is going to be done in phases. This bid is about a quarter of what we looked at. Next budget will probably be the same amount. City Engineer, Keith Schauer stated that the next phase should get us up to the swimming pool and little league field and all of that. Councilman Opiela stated that he did not understand why we could not get the little league fields. City Engineer, Keith Schauer stated that we are not using the entire budgeted amount, if we use the full \$125,000 we could get pretty close based on the bid tab that I got. The price per foot is actually a good price. If you went ahead and authorized the full \$125,000 you could probably get another 400-500 feet. Councilman Opiela stated that the reason he was asking about the little league fields, is because last year we had a lot of playoff games here, when you are a City Councilman, you have people that will really let you know about the bathrooms. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-34, City of Gonzales Awarding a Contract to Persons Service Company for the Installation of a Lift Station and Sewer Lines in Independence Park, the amount of this Contract is not to exceed \$125,000; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contract Documents; and Establishing an Effective Date of April 2, 2013. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Trent Rankin's term has expired on the Golf Course Advisory Board and Ryan Atkinson has turned in an application and there have been no other applications received. This was advertised in the paper of record twice. We respectfully request that this Resolution be approved. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-35, Appointing Ryan Atkinson to the Golf Advisory Board. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #12. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Jim Logan has reached his term limit serving on the GEDC Board, the term limit is three terms. Mr. O'Donnell has submitted an application to serve on the GEDC Board and this was advertised in the paper of record. Since this is the only application that we received, staff respectfully requests that this Resolution be approved. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-36, Appointing Al O'Donnell to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that there are three members that wish to continue serving on the Committee, Barbara Crozier, Richard Tiller and Paul Frenzel. David Dement resigned from the Committee earlier and at this time we have no applications for that opening. Staff respectfully requests that this Resolution be approved. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-37, Appointing Barbara Crozier, Richard Tiller and Paul Frenzel to the Tourism Advisory Committee. Councilman Opiela seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #14. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this piece of property was seized for unpaid taxes. At resale there was one sealed bid received from Anastacio Carrizales. Apparently Mr.

Carrizales submitted a sale during the resale period of \$6,300 and this is why this is coming to you. This bid was approved by Commissioner's Court and is pending approval by other taxing entities. Based on this information, staff respectfully recommends that Council approve this Resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-38, City of Gonzales Approving the Tax Resale of Property located at 1004 Hastings Street in the City of Gonzales, being Lots Nos. 9, 10, 11, and 12, of Block No. 9 of the Burchard Addition. Councilman Opiela seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #15. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this is our second go around for surplus property. You see the items listed on the Resolution. I will give you an indication of how things have gone, we have had some items placed on gov deals and one of the mowers that we had on there, it fetched about \$1,500. The thing that baffles me is that we have a box of old computer junk and as of yesterday it had a bid of \$51.00. It is not even a lot of junk, it is just a box, it is amazing what people will pay for junk. We respectfully requests that this be considered surplus and we will place it on gov deals as soon as possible. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-39, City of Gonzales Declaring Property as Surplus and Approving the Sale of Surplus Property. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #16. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council for the last twenty years approximately the Texas State High School Rodeo Finals have been held in Abilene. It was made clear to us last year that there was a great interest among their board members that the City of Gonzales makes a bid. The Mayor, Mike Jeffrey and myself went to Abilene and saw the condition of the facilities in Abilene. We feel that we could put together a much better bid. The difference between what we have to offer and what Abilene has to offer, we have approximately 500 RV sites that are specifically designed to be RV spots. Abilene is park in the first spot you can find, hook up your generator, if it happens to be on the asphalt of the Arena, so be it. The horses have almost no grass to walk on, the vendor area is a quarter of a mile from the arena area, it is a really poor layout. Just because we put in a bid does not certainly mean that we will get the bid, but this is an event that previously the Council said that they were interested in pursuing and we respectfully request approval of this Resolution. Mayor Logan stated that after looking at the requirements in order to put in a bid, I have had some questions thrown at me and one of my main concerns is the 850 stalls that would have to be provided and those stalls must be covered in no tents. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is the dream list that they want. The way they are now is scattered and they have stalls all over the place. I believe that even though we would have to use tents, I believe that we would be competitive and would be favorably looked upon. Councilman Hernandez stated that it shows here, that the host to pay the High School Rodeo Association the sum of blank per year, it is really kind of hard to approve a blank. I am not in support. They are asking for a lot of stuff here, are we even going to break even again. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the difference between the bid that we put in for the Junior High Rodeo and this bid, the payment sum for this is approximately \$5,000 more than we have for the Junior High Rodeo and we have to establish a host committee which will be primarily City employees. You have to have a Committee man there during the entire time. Councilman Hernandez asked, we do all of this for the other rodeos? City Manager, Allen Barnes stated yes sir. Councilman Hernandez asked where do we make money, community revenue? City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we get all of the funds for the RV rentals for the week. We get all but \$10 for the stall rentals for the week. We sell the wood shavings, we get a portion of the gate and I believe it was 25% of the gate. Councilman Schroeder stated on here it states that we have to provide them thirty complimentary rooms. So they are paying us to stay there, but we have to go buy hotel rooms. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we work with the hotels; they need a certain number of hotel rooms. Councilman Opiela asked what is the time span between the Junior High Rodeo and the High School Rodeo? JB Wells Park Director, Mike Jeffrey stated three weeks. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that there will be some economies of scale because of some of the things that we have to

rent for the Junior High Rodeo we have to rent for a month. Whether we use them that long or not and this will spread the cost out over the two rodeos. Like the building that we have to rent for their office space, the Senior High Rodeo office space is the same as the Junior High Rodeo. So rather than get it delivered two weeks early, we could have it a week later and we would just hold it over to the High School Rodeo, have to pay once instead of having to pay for two separate buildings. So there are some economies of scale there. Also remember that there are indirect advantages of having this Rodeo in town too, the impact on our economy, the people are going to our restaurants and spending in our stores. You can talk to the HEB manager, they really look forward to the Junior High Rodeo coming to town because they know that the weekend they come to town there is not going to be a loaf of bread in town or a slice of lunch meat or whatever. They stock up for it. Councilman Hernandez asked what does Abilene offer as far as the City for them to do during the day. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that from what he saw of Abilene, their facility is in the middle of nowhere and it's not a very pleasant part of town, not a bad part of town, it is just an industrial part of town. It is bordered on one side by an Interstate Highway. It is bordered by warehouses on the other side and an airport on another side. We at least offer grass. The Guadalupe River is a huge draw for the kids, they love the Guadalupe. We offer history and some shopping that some folks enjoy. Councilman Schroeder asked how much do those big tents run us, I am just saying that it seems like we are paying an awful lot for them to come and have their rodeo. Mayor Logan stated that we have a city of 8,000, they have a city between 115,000-120,000. They have plenty hotel space, we will probably have sufficient hotel rooms by the time this bid is up. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that if you think about it, Abilene is about the same size of Waco and we beat Waco last year for the Junior High Rodeo, so they look at quality of life. JB Wells Park Director, Mike Jeffrey stated that they sent us their guidelines, we make proposals, but we are not following their guidelines in no form or fashion. Like Mr. Barnes said we are offering them \$5,000 more than the Junior High and the Junior High budget last year was \$80,000, and when Ann left here Saturday evening she wrote me a check for \$101,000. City Manager Allen Barnes stated I do not think that Mike Jeffrey would shed a tear if you didn't approve this. Mayor Logan stated that it takes a lot of volunteers. Just understand that these ten days are not ten days of competition. There is preparation time for the committee and break down time for the committee. It is not that all of them will be in town for ten days. Mayor Logan stated that contestants will come in for their two or three events and if they do not make the final cut they will be gone. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that if they are here for one of two days, they still have to pay the \$125 for the RV rental and they still pay the \$80 for the stall. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that 22nd is the date that fits into our schedule and I apologize, I should have used that as an example that they request these dates and we tell them no, we can give it to you this day. Mayor Logan stated that my desire has always been to have an air conditioned building down there, the vendors, dancers whatever, we still do not have that down there, but there are some other things that I would like to see accomplished down there. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that with that being said, there are several things that need to be done at JB Wells Park to improve that facility, not just the air conditioned building but the fields, the horseshoe pits, walking trails. It is certainly up to the will of the Council if we send this bid in or not. If the Council would rather us not send in a bid, that is fine. Councilman Schurig stated that he did not feel that we were ready for it. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that if the Council would feel more comfortable waiting three years, let's just wait three more years, would I say this about a comprehensive plan, no, cause we cannot wait three years on a comprehensive plan, but we can wait three years on a rodeo bid. Would it be nice to have, yeah, would it bring folks to town and see what a great community we have, yeah, but they can come in three more years. Mayor Logan stated that there is no telling what we will have in three more years. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that it is very difficult in my position to project where we are going to be six months from now, much less three years from now, and will we have a building out there in three years. I hope so, I hope we have five soccer fields, playgrounds and you name it out there. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to reject Resolution #2013-40, City of Gonzales in Support of the City's Proposal to Host the 2014, 2015 and 2016 Texas State High School Rodeo Finals in the City of Gonzales. Councilman Schurig seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #17. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that since the House Bill 1777, telecommunication companies no longer have a franchise agreement with the City. Every year we get an update based on the number of telephone lines coming into the City and we are talking hard lines, not cell phones, based upon the number of lines that we have coming into the City, they calculate what we in the City call franchise, and they call it right-of-way use. In 2012 the residential cost rates was \$1.90, non-residential was \$3.76 and point-to-point was \$5.60. The calculations for 2013 are \$3.80 and \$5.66. It has been my understanding in the past that these costs, this is one of those deals in the State of Texas, if you respond that you do not want to do this, then you have to respond. If you do want to accept the new rate, then you do not have to do anything and it is my understanding in that staff in the past has not brought this to Council's attention. Last year we brought it to you and the Resolution I think was to go with these rates. We really do not have any recommendation to be honest with you. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-41 of the City of Gonzales Approving Utility Commissions Right-of-Way Utility Line Rate Increase. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #18. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this is a storage building behind 209 Botts Street. It came to my attention prior to this meeting that a previous building official had assigned an address and separate electric meter on that building. It is also my understanding that in the past it has been used as a residence, which would be a violation of our current building code. I would like to change my recommendation at some point concerning this Resolution and that is that this 31 year License be granted subject to the removal of all utilities directed to the building and that it not be used at any time during that 31 years as a residential place. Mayor Logan asked how did they allow it to encroach 14 foot 7 inches, we have had instances of a foot. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that he was not surprised by this. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-42, Authorizing City Manager to Execute a License Agreement between Stacey Silvas and the City of Gonzales with a Stipulation that all Utilities be Removed from this Establishment. City Attorney, Jackie Williamson stated that the structure not be rented out for residential purposes. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #19. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this specific property that is discussed in this Resolution is Texan Nursing Home. Apparently they are in the process of either selling the property, it's sold or whatever, but during the survey a portion of that parking lot is on East Avenue. Staff respectfully requests that you approve this Resolution. Mayor Logan stated that all it affects is their parking lot, they only have seven spots without this. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-43, of the City of Gonzales Authorizing the City Manager to execute a License Agreement between Care Inn Properties and the City of Gonzales. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #20. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Sacred Heart traditionally applies to close those streets for Cinco De Mayo. It is my understanding that the Gran Tardeada is essentially a late celebration of Cinco De Mayo. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that staff respectfully requests that this be approved. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-44, of the City of Gonzales Authorizing Sacred Heart Church's Gran Tardeada 2013 Celebration on May 25, 2013, the Temporary Closure of these Streets and also Authorizing the Sale and Consumption of Alcohol. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Item #21. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Council Districts 1 and 2 are unopposed for election and State Law permits that when you have an unopposed election that the Council can cancel the election and that would probably save us \$6,000-\$7,000. Therefore since there are no other propositions to be considered by the citizens of Gonzales, we as staff respectfully recommend the approval of this Ordinance and cancel the election. Mayor Logan asked City Secretary Kristina Vega if that was okay with her and she stated yes. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-07, of the City of Gonzales Declaring the Unopposed Candidate in the May 11, 2013 General City Election, Cancelling that Election; Providing for a Severability Clause. Councilman Opiela seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

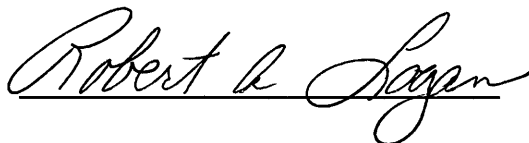
Item #22, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we closed the year in very good financial shape and that all of our funds had a positive fund balance or retained earnings. Of course these are the unaudited numbers. The numbers in your book have changed just a little bit. Actually the general fund went up a little bit and so we are going to be finishing doing journal entries and things like that and hopefully by May we should be able to give you some pretty solid unaudited numbers. The auditor will probably be here in the middle of May, and hopefully by early Summer his job will be done, we feel that we made it very easy for the auditor this year. Again, I am patting the back of the department heads that have been very restrained in their spending this year.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Hernandez made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
MAY 2, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their workshop meeting at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 2, 2013, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

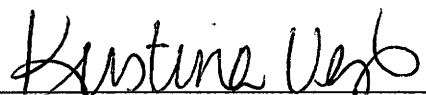
The following members were present constituting a quorum: Mayor Bobby Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Staff Present: Allen Barnes, Kristina Vega, Keith Schmidt, William Ince, Todd Remschel, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Barbara Friedrich, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock, James Conquest

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.


City Manager, Allen Barnes introduced Dr. Elise Bright and the graduate students from Texas A & M University. The graduate students presented the Comprehensive Plan to the City Council, City Manager, Allen Barnes, and the citizens of Gonzales. The Comprehensive Plan consisted of multiple parts including but not limited to City Demographics, Land Use, Economy, Housing, Transportation, Community Facilities, Environment, Urban Design, and Cultural Resources. The students were available to answer questions at the conclusion of the presentation.

The Mayor asked for a motion for the workshop to be adjourned. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The mayor then adjourned the workshop at 7:10 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 7, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 7, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Mike Jeffrey, James Conquest, Ralph Camarillo, Robert Miller, Pam Larison, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Tim Patek, Marlaina Haberman, Barbara Friedrich, Mike Terry, Wade Zella, Keith Schmidt, Darryl Hull, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Hanson-wanted to suggest that the City of Gonzales rename Water Street to pay homage to JL (Jimmy) Dubose since he has done so much for this community.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1. Mayor Logan formally signed a Proclamation in support of Tourism Week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #2. The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on April 2, 2013, and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2013 meeting as presented and Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #3. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that Larry Wehde has submitted a letter for his desire to stay on the board and staff recommends that he be appointed for a two year term. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-40 of the City of Gonzales Approving the Re-Appointment of Larry Wehde to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #4. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we have received two bids for hay baling at JB Wells Park, one from E.F. Ehrig & Sons and one from Ronald Barborak. Staff respectfully requests that we accept the \$7.00 bid that was presented by E.F. Ehrig & Sons. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-45 of the City of Gonzales

Approving the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement for Hay Baling at JB Wells Park. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that Keith Schmidt will present this item. Chief Keith Schmidt stated that he would like for the City Council to consider adding the three Lieutenants. With the call volume last year we did over 400 calls and with the call volume this year so far we have done 204, so we are looking at over 600 this year. The creation of these positions will eliminate having to call out the volunteers at 3:00 A.M. and the call turns out to be nothing. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-46 of the City of Gonzales Approving the Creation of Lieutenant Positions for the Gonzales Fire Department. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that currently this is focused primarily on Police and Fire, but it does cover other employees as well. Currently when we have a holiday and the employee is working the holiday, then they are given the option to take that holiday at a later date. With that being done, they are building up and the departments are having a difficult time covering the shift where the person has taken holiday. Most cities when the employees work a holiday they receive holiday pay which is a straight eight hours except firemen, firemen get twelve hours because they are on 24 hour shift. With the upcoming Memorial holiday, the policemen and firemen who work that day would essentially receive double pay. Tim and Keith are very supportive of this because it helps with their man power. Staff respectfully requests this resolution be passed. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-47 of the City of Gonzales Amending the Personnel Policy Regarding Holiday Pay. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that the Police Department and Fire Department work under the Fair Labor and Standards Act. Police and Fire can either work seven day cycle, 14 day cycles or 28 day cycles, currently both departments are on a 28 day cycle. It has caused some issues with paychecks. Their pay cycles differ from the rest of the City employees and that causes a record keeping nightmare. There are no significant differences. Basically everything remains the same; it just makes it easier on our paperwork. Staff respectfully requests your approval of this Resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-48, City of Gonzales Amending the Work Cycles for the Police and Fire Departments. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #8. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that about this time last year we started having these on the Agenda every month. One of our investment accounts did not have Mayor Logan or City Secretary Vega as signators and we are asking to add them to the signatory cards. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-49, City of Gonzales Designating Authorized Personnel and Contacts for Financial and Investment Institutions. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that Carolyn Gibson Baros is here to present this item. Carolyn Gibson Baros stated that the GEDC at their April 29th meeting voted unanimously to support the Victoria College completion, this was a result of our goals and objectives workshop and the Board sent me to VC and told me to ask them what could we do to get this done. We will of course not fund anything until that 60 day comment period. Jackie Mikesch is here from Victoria College to answer

any questions. We respectfully request that this Resolution be approved. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-50, Approving the Victoria College Project for Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10. Dennis Nesser stated that the boys have been working for about four weeks making soap box derbies and we made rules that everything on them is reclaimed. We have gone to A&S to get wheels for them. The only items that have been purchased are what were used to attach the wheels to the soap box. We ask that the Middlebuster Road be closed between the hours of 3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. but I doubt that we will be there that long. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-51, Authorizing Boy Scouts Troop 262 the Use and Closure of *Middlebuster Road* for the Soap Box Derby on Saturday, May 11, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. Melissa San Miguel stated that they are putting on a one day retreat for their 9th grade class. We would like to use the square for a big rosary that we are going to do. We respectfully requests that this Resolution be approved. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-52, Authorizing the Catholic Communities of Gonzales & Waelder the use of Confederate Square for the Journey of Faith Service on Saturday, May 11, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Item #12. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that for several months we as staff have been discussing City fees, what is charged for various things. One of the things that I asked for was a comparison of our RV parking rates compared to surrounding RV rates. Originally we had asked to increase it to \$400.00 a month, but after discussions with staff members I would suggest that we ask for more than \$400.00 a month because we are not charging for utilities while everyone else is. I would encourage Council to raise it to \$500.00-\$550.00 range. It would be appropriate to charge an appropriate amount. This would not impact TYRA or any other the other Rodeos because we have Contracts with them. We respectfully requests that this Ordinance be approved. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-08, of the City of Gonzales Approving the Increase of Rental Rates for City Owned RV Sites to \$550.00 per month. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that on March 3, 2008, the City Council approved an electric energy charge and since 2008 LCRA has increased the wholesale energy. We have received notice that of July 1, 2013 we are going to receive an increase. I do not think that it is the intent of this Council to lose money on the electric rate. What we are requesting is that you raise the electric rates to .0556 which is the price for electricity. The ordinance would also authorize on the effective date of the increases that we increase ours to match the increase rate. There are no businesses that I know of that intentionally lose money. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-09, of the City of Gonzales Approving the LCRA Wholesale Energy Rate Increase. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

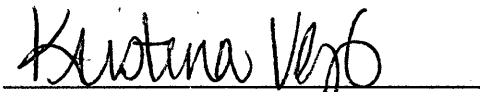
STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that over the last year I have reported revenues over expenditures, however this month's report shows revenues under expenditures, however in the street department, we have paid for Mr. Nesser's racetrack, which when we are audited it will actually be moved to the previous year.

Item #15 Del De Los Santos stated that Gonzales has once again been recognized as the National Main Street City for 2013. Being named the National Main Street City acknowledges that a program has achieved a standard of excellence. Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board continues partnering with Chamber of Commerce to host the First Friday Coffee. In Fall we will have the scarecrow contest. We are still working on our Christmas decorations for downtown. Since 2009 we have awarded 18 grants. We still continue to promote Main Street.

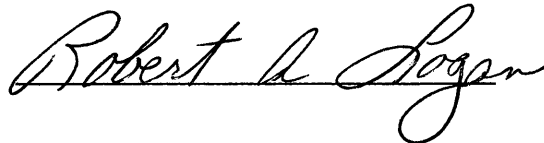
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 21, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened a special called meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 21, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: William Ince, Todd Remschel, Marlaina Haberman, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Patek, and Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Richard Kunz stated that he is here for Avalon Park Texas and he would like to give a little presentation to Item # 1 and # 6 of today's agenda. Avalon Park is a real estate developing company active in central Florida and central Texas market. We have many multi-family units. We are working on a second one that is located in Tampa. We opened stores some years ago in Austin, Texas. The reason that we are here tonight is because of project 1835 Village that we are proposing to develop in the next 5-15 years. The project location is the Burchard property within City limits that is about 55 acres. Since December I have negotiated basically with City Manager and City Attorney. We have had numerous meetings regarding the details. This plan will have homes for sale, residential homes. You are talking to strong builders who have the financial power and produce good homes. It is for families, singles and elder. Rooftops are first and then comes retail. Office space, convenient stores, you name it coffee shops. If you look at the potential you can build about 500 units. We will have to develop most of the access to the property. We will have a number of potential streets. This is a proposed layout. We will have a main road going through it so that you can access the property from both sides. The 380 Agreement is basically a reimbursement agreement that allows the City to use certain tax revenues to reimburse the developer for certain costs that are incurred for developing the property. It is basically an agreement where the developer creates the tax basis. If you have any questions please let me know.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the City Council that staff respectfully requests that this Resolution be approved. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-53 of the City of Gonzales Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Avalon Park, Texas, L.P. as Authorized Under Chapter 380 of the Local Government and establishing an effective date of May 21, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #2. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the City Council that we have respectfully requests the approval of this Resolution with some modified wording which is an amount not to exceed \$115,000.00. It has come to our attention that the City of Morrisville, North Carolina has an asphalt zipper that they purchased in 2009 and after several phone calls today we have determined that the asphalt has 9 actual hours on it. The City was going to create the equivalent of a street department, they purchase this machine and the economy got bad there and they put the project on hold. It has been on hold since 2009. I have talked to the Purchasing Manager there and has told me what there reserve is. Bottom line is that under North Carolina laws, it has to go under the sale process and they can negotiate with any individual. I think that we can save the City a significant amount of money on this. We would like a little bit of time to see if we can work this deal. It would probably involve sending someone up to North Caroline and I would volunteer since it is close to my oldest granddaughter. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-54 of the City of Gonzales Authorizing the Purchase of an Asphalt Zipper for the Street Department in the Amount not to exceed \$115,000. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #3. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is an item that has been discussed since my third day here. The EDC Board is very desirous of a full time EDC Director. Currently our EDC Director is EDC Director, Airport Manager, Tourism, and Main Street Manager and any other jobs that we can fill with that person. Staff particularly agrees with EDC that it is probably in the City's best interest to have a full time EDC Director. We will have what we refer to as allocated costs. In Carolyn's case she will still report to me for advice and it will be freely given. It will be given without restrictions. There will also be costs of writing checks. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-55 of the City of Gonzales Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with GEDC to Move EDC Director from City of Gonzales to GEDC and on the Terms for the Reimbursement to the City for Related Administrative Costs. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #4. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that there is one correction on the budget calendar; the correction is a Council meeting on July 6th, which is 4th of July weekend so we are proposing to move that to the 13th. Needs and Wants have already been turned in to me. The Finance Director has started to budget. We respectfully request the approval of this Resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-56 of the City of Gonzales Approving the Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is the site for the proposed LaQuinta Hotel. We are amending the plat to join two lots together. The plat that you are looking at is a preliminary plat. Staff respectfully requests the approval of this Resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-57 of the City of Gonzales Approving the Amended Plat of Lots No. 3 and 4, In Block No. 5 Range No. 1 West of Water Street and Part of Block No. 5 In the Water Street Addition. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES


Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that as Mr. Kunz advised we have been negotiating this agreement. We have negotiated a Developer's Agreement which permits Mr. Kunz to have 500 housing unit which is a single apartment, single duplex or single family dwelling. The Appraisal District still considers it as one lot. Staff respectfully requests this resolution be passed. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-10 of the City of Gonzales

Developing Agreement with Avalon Park, Texas, L.P. and Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Agreement. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the Council that this property is referred to as the McCaskill property. The real estate folks and the staff have kind of compromised. The P&Z has approved the zoning change from R-1 to R-2 which allows multi-family development. Staff respectfully requests your approval of this Ordinance. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-11, City of Gonzales Changing the Zoning Designation for the Property with the Legal Description of Pt. 7 and 8, Range VI from Single Family Residential (R-1) to Multi-Family Residential (R-2). Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

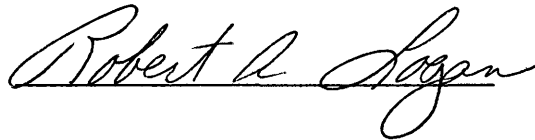
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Schurig seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 4, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened a special called meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: William Ince, Todd Remschel, Marlaina Haberman, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Patek, and Tim Crow, Laura Zella, Pam Larison, Carolyn Gibson-Baros

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nathan Gordon-stated that he has heard about the need for the large oak tree across from the Junior High to be cut down and expressed that he feels it does need to be cut down before someone gets hurt. The tree is getting older and older and leaning more and more and has already been hit by large trucks going by.

Allen Barnes-mentioned that Mr. Sexton and Mr. Dement have looked at the tree and were in agreement that it needed to come down and also that it will not affect the other tree standing directly beside it.

Dennis Nesser-wanted to personally thank the Council for approving the closure of Middlebuster Road for what he hopes to be an annual Soap Box Derby. He also showed a quick video of the derby and stated that there were approximately 75-100 Citizens present for the event.

Charles Roaches-took the opportunity to share about the upcoming Emancipation Celebration, and the activities he wishes to have during this event. He also wanted to ask for street closures to help keep the individuals that wish to attend safe.

Allen Barnes-wanted to mention that J.D. Holt a member of the City's Police Department is also a reservist for the military and has been deployed. He will leave for Afghanistan on Friday.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, A formal signing of the Proclamation was signed for Krisslynn Sexton.

Item #2 & 3, Mayor Logan administered the Oath of Office for Councilmen Gary Schroeder to City Council District #1 and Tommy Schurig to City Council District #2.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meetings held on February 18, March 20, May 2, May 7, and May 21, 2013 and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, March 20, May 2, May 7, and May 21, 2013 meetings as presented and Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #9. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-58 A Resolution of the City of Gonzales, Texas Appointing Tommy Schurig as Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Gonzales and establishing an effective date of June 4, 2013. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that back in October the City developed a 60 day agreement with Chris Shuler regarding the concessions at JB Wells. After the 60 day agreement he, the City Attorney, and Mike Jeffrey discussed the contract with Mr. Shuler and decided instead of basing the fees on the net or gross profit that it would be best to recommend a rental rate of \$500.00 per month for a 1 year contract. There was some discussion regarding the cost of utilities to the concession stand, and if the rental amount even covered the utility fees. It was suggested to go out for bid for the concessions at JB Wells. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to reject Resolution #2013-59 and authorizing the City Manager to go out for Bid for the Concessions at JB Wells Park. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #11. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that several months ago the Council approved a Resolution supporting the GBRA application for a Texas Water Development Board Flood Protection Planning Grant to provide for flood Studies. In November the estimated cost provided by GBRA was \$27,000 with the city paying \$8,500.00; however the estimated amount is now approximately \$21,000.00. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to Reject Resolution #2013-60. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #12. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that Lou's Garden Subdivision infrastructure has been completed to serve the subdivision. The improvements have been inspected and tested and staff recommends acceptance of the improvements. Mr. Barnes mentioned that the developer is responsible for repairs and maintenance of streets and infrastructure for a period of one year following the effective date of the acceptance of the improvements. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-61 Accepting the Public Improvements for Lou's Garden subdivision. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that Mr. Roaches explained the reason for the street closures and the event during public comments and does not have anything to add. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-62 Approving Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church the Closure of Tate Street Between St. Joseph and St. Paul from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2013, and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, 2013 for the Emancipation Celebration. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES

Item #14. City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that since the Federal Government now issues Social Security Checks for Citizens over the age of 65 at staggered dates within the month the Utility Department has noticed an increase in late fees among those mentioned citizens. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-12 of the City of Gonzales, Amending Chapter 13 Section 13.211 By Adding a Subsection (d) Waving Utility Later Fees for Customers Over the Age of 65 and Living on a Fixed Income. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #15. City Manager, Allen Barnes mentioned that in 1966 the City Council passed an Ordinance creating the Library Board with rights and duties of the Board. The Ordinance no longer complies with state law. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-13, Amending Article 9.100 Library Board of the Code of Ordinances. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #16. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the state requires a Home Rule municipality to review its Curfew Ordinance. The approval of this ordinance will help protect minors, reduce crime and promote school attendance. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-14, Re-Adopting Article 8.500 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gonzales Concerning Curfew for Minors. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

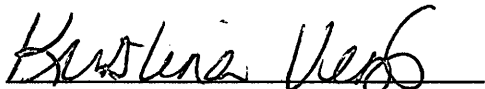
STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #17 Financial Reports

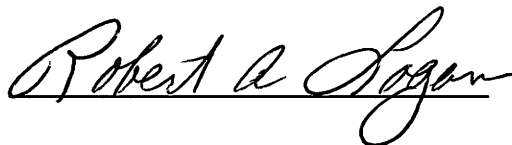
Item #18 First Quarter Investment Report

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 25, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened a special called meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: William Ince, Todd Remschel, Marlaina Haberman, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Patek, and Tim Crow, Pam Larison, Gary Shock, Robert Miller, Laura Zella

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Billie Bruns-321 Winding Way-stated that when Lou's Garden had been constructed that they pushed dirt and rocks up against and underneath her fence and that it caused a problem along Walker Street that prevents them from being able to mow along the fence line.

RESOLUTIONS

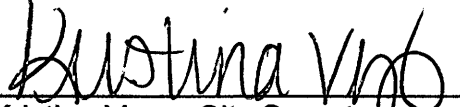
Item #1. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to the City Council that the council has already technically approved the Investment Policy, but the Ordinance that passed the Stub Budget did not specifically mention these two documents and the auditor has requested that we get Council to officially recognize these two documents over and above the Budget. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-59 of the City of Gonzales, Texas Approving the City of Gonzales Investment Policy. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

OTHER BUSINESS

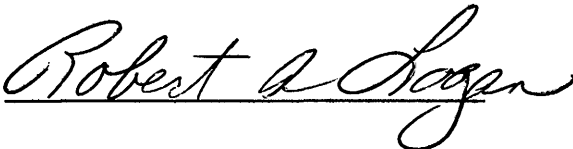
Item #2. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the purpose of this meeting tonight was to discuss programs, projects, revenues and expenditures for the 2013-2014 Annual Budget and to invite early input from the Council regarding the proposed budget, discussion regarding the proposed budget followed.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 2, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 2, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Ralph Camarillo, Mike Jeffery, Pam Larison, Tim Patek, Keith Schauer, Tim Crow, Todd Remschel, James Conquest, William Ince, Barbara Friedrich, Laura Zella, Keith Schmidt, Gary Shock, Robert Miller, Caroline Helms, Marlaina Haberman

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tim Patek-wanted to announce to everyone that there will be a grand opening of the Paddling Trail on Wednesday July 10th at US Hwy 183 Bridge. Just wanted to give everyone a personal invite for everyone that wants to attend.

Milton Hines-pass

Item #15, Erwin Ckudre-with the Golf Advisory Board-Stated that we are pleased to have Frank Hurt as the Golf Superintendent and Tim Patek as the Parks and Rec Director. Stated that they were \$52k over projected revenues due to increased hours, introducing logo merchandise, renovations at the pro shop, have their own concessions back, and additional carts being purchased.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #2,

James Ryan for Pat Anders- Wanted to say thanks for all support of Pat over the years, thanks to the community for the support after the break in. The Gonzales Youth Center may ask for an increase in funds because of the increase of salaries.

JoAnn Leifeste-I hope you all saw my letter to the editor, and stated that since we have had the increase in the tax revenues she would like to see money put in the budget for roads and sidewalks improved, and that we need a community center.

Marco Alva-stated he is the new Executive Director at GCAM thanks for the previous support of GCAM through the previous years, and ask for continued support.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1, The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held June 4, 2013 and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion

to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2013 Meeting as presented and Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #3, Carolyn Gibson Baros-stated that the Board has unanimously approved this agreement between GEDC and Schmidt and Sons, as you all know on any projects we are required to have a claw back, that if they do not perform then we have a way to get the property or our funds back. This has been signed by both parties and it is presented to you for your information. No action is required.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that several months ago the council approved a Boards and Committee Handbook; it established the JB Wells Advisory Board. After being advertised 5 or 6 times in the newspaper of record we received no applications. Mike Jeffery then solicited folks to be on the board. The only concern that I have is that most if not all of those individuals live out in the county. Councilman Schurig concern was that if we do not start doing something out there that is not rodeo then we will have Texas Parks & Wildlife come down to see us. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2013-60 for members of the JB Wells Advisory Board until August. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated we are asking to get rid of two police cars, a 2005 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor, and a 2007 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor be declared as surplus we anticipate selling them on Govdeals.com, we have a great deal of success selling items on Gov. deals. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-63 of the City of Gonzales Declaring property as Surplus; approving the sale of surplus. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #6. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this item that is being brought to you is the first time that we've brought a recommendation from the Tourism Committee to you. Historically their recommendations have just been followed. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013- 64 Approving Gonzales Tourism Committee to fund up to \$5000.00 to the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture for the advertising and promoting the "Come & Take It" Celebration. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #7. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that this is an item that has to be done every year, which in Texas is called Truth in Taxation. With the legislative updates some changes have been made regarding the Truth in Taxation but this actually nominates Crystal Cedillo to be able to calculate these figures. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-65 of the City of Gonzales Appointing Crystal Cedillo, Tax-Assessor-Collector, as the representative for the City of Gonzales to prepare the 2013 Effective Tax Rate and Rollback Calculations. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #8. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that currently the airport tie down area is paved with chip seal. It has been brought to our attention that when this paving material becomes loose it will begin to fly into or onto the airplanes and could cause severe damage to the planes. To prevent this from happening

it is suggested that an overlay apron of hot mix asphalt be placed on the tie down area to prevent these costly damages to the planes. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-66, City of Gonzales Approving the Overlay Apron for the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #9. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated to that the council is required to pass a resolution designating authorized signatories for Financial Institutions, and this resolution will designate Tim Crow as an authorized signer for the Restricted Use Account known as Forfeitures and Seizures in the City of Gonzales' name held at Sage Capital Bank. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-67, City of Gonzales Designating an authorized signatory for Financial Institutions Pursuant to the City of Gonzales Investment Policy. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #10. City Manager, Allen Barnes expressed that he has been asked by an employee to consider reimbursing the employee for compensatory time previously earned. Compensatory time is earned in lieu of paid overtime at the choice of hourly employees. We are requesting that employees be permitted to sell back no more than 24 hours of comp time per year. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-68 Amending Section 5.08 (D) Payment of Compensatory Time of the City of Gonzales Personnel Policy Manual. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #11. Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Director, Carolyn Gibson Baros stated that this is the last piece that GEDC traded GADC for. This company is going to bring many jobs to Gonzales. We are asking for your support of this sale to Dynamic Industries. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-69 Supporting Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's Sale of Lots 3, 5, and 6 in Block 2 (8.2108 acres of land) located in Industrial Park Subdivision to Dynamic Industries, Incorporated. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Item #12. Allen Barnes stated that the GEDC recently formed a downtown committee. They are researching ways to incentivize the downtown area. They are requesting that a member of the council be nominated to the committee. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-70 Appointing Lorenzo Hernandez to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Downtown Committee. Councilman Schurig seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Item #13. City Manager, Allen Barnes expressed in Section 14.703 (a) and 14.903 (a) of the Code of Ordinances it establishes the fees for applications to go before P & Z and ZBOA of which is only \$25.00. This fee does not cover the costs of mailing or to publicize the Public Hearings. We are suggesting that the non-refundable fee be raised to \$500.00. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-15 Amending Chapter 14 Zoning of the City of Gonzales Code of Ordinances, Section 14.703(a) and Section 14.903(a) Processing; Fee. Councilman Schurig seconded it. Mayor Logan asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the Financial Reports are attached for you to view.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item#16, Councilman Hernandez made a motion to move into executive session GC 551.072. Councilman Schroeder seconded it.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

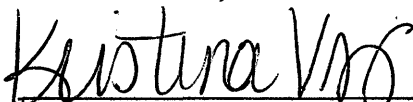
At 8:02 p.m. the Council returned to regular session.

The mayor asked for any action resulting from the Executive Session.

Item #17, Councilman Schroeder made a motion to negotiate a contract for the purchase of property for the purposes of Economic Development. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Hernandez made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Lopez

**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP
JULY 15, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened a special called budget workshop at 6:00 p.m., Monday, July 15, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: William Ince, Todd Remschel, Marlaina Haberman, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Patek, and Tim Crow, Pam Larison, Gary Shock, Robert Miller, Keith Schmidt

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Item #1. City Manager, Allen Barnes opened the workshop session to discuss the proposed City of Gonzales Budget for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2013 and Ending September 30, 2014. The Mayor and Council wished to go over the Proposed Budget page by page to be able to express any questions or concerns they may have with the proposed budget.

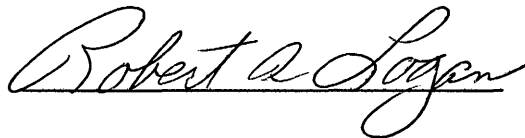
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 6, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Wade Zella, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1 The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for the Presentation of the Budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014 to the City Council

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daisy Scheske-stated she just wanted to introduce herself to the Council as the new Executive Director of the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Dalton Couch-stated he was from the Boy Scout Troop 262 and he wanted to thank the City for allowing him to his Eagle Scout Project at the firing range. He would like to specifically thank Chief Crow for the design plan and Mr. Ince for his immense knowledge.

D.J. Gonzales-also stated that he wanted to thank the City, Mr. Patek, and Mr. Cantu for allowing him to do his Eagle Scout Project painting the benches and bleachers at the Independence Park.

Abigail Casares-asks that you to table item number 13 and ask that staff solicit other bids.

Roger Eberle-stated that item number 18 is going to amend the number of Boards someone can serve on however I just ask that you make sure there is no conflict of interest for the individual if they are going to be sitting on more than one board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #2, #3 and #4, The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held June 25th, July 2nd, and July 15th, 2013, and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25th, July 2nd, and July 15th Meetings as presented and Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Logan Closed the Public Hearing after asking if there weren't any more questions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes, explained what we are asking for tonight is not a tax rate, it is a max tax rate. The current rate is .2329, rollback rate is .1992 about a 4 cent decrease. The rollback rate would lower the rate between 3 and 4 cents, and the effective tax rate is .1845. We are asking the Council to consider .1992, which this rate would rate approximately \$70 thousand dollars that the city could use for a maintenance crew, which was eliminated years back during the budget process. Mayor Logan stated that he would like to see the City go back to having a maintenance crew. Mr. Barnes stated that if the Council wishes to vote for a proposed tax rate above the effective rate of .1845 and below the rollback rate of .1992 there would be two Public Hearings which are tentatively scheduled for August 22nd and the 27th. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to set the proposed tax rate at the effective tax rate of .1845. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela and Hernandez voted "aye". Councilman Schroeder and the Mayor both voted "nay". Councilman Schroeder asked if the motion failed then could another motion be made. Mr. Barnes stated that if the Council votes for the .1992 rollback rate then we will have 2 Public Hearings to have an opportunity to hear from the citizens. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to set the Tax Rate at the rollback rate at .1992. There was no second to the motion.

Item #6, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, presented the GEDC Budget to the Council for their review.

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes, asked for the Council's blessing to negotiate a 380 agreement with Action Properties. This is an action item but without resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to allow the City Manager to enter into negotiations with Action Properties for a 380 Agreement. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RESOLUTIONS

Item #8, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated this request is consistent with the annual Jamaica event and requests the council's approval. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-60 Authorizing The Temporary Closure Of St. John Street At St. Louis Street And St. Lawrence Street From 8:00 A.M On September 14, 2013 To 1:00 A.M. On September 15, 2013 for The Annual Sacred Heart Catholic Church Jamaica Celebration; Authorizing the Sale of Alcohol; Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item # 9, City Manager, Allen Barnes, we have been approached by AV Tech the company we have lease mineral rights to. The industry standards usually run for 3 years and ours was for 2 years, and they are requesting a one year extension on their lease. They have run into a few issues obtaining leases. They are very close to obtaining the leases necessary to begin drilling. There is one modification that would allow them to drill all four wells at once instead on one at a time. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-71 Extending And Amending The Lease Agreement With AV-Tech Oil & Gas, L.L.C.; Authorizing The City Manager To Execute The Amendment. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #10 City Manager Allen Barnes, stated that when the Days Inn was built there was a water line that was constructed. The water line is a supply line to the Microtel as well. Days Inn has done everything we have asked them to. There will be a 1 year warranty on the water line as well just like with Lou's Garden. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-72 A Resolution of The City of Gonzales, Texas Accepting the Water Line Dedication from Days Inn. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was put out for bid and Hoover Construction was the low bid of \$97,481.64. It was checked out by our engineer and we respectfully request the approval of this resolution. Councilman Opiela asked if they had done any work in Gonzales. City Engineer Keith Schauer stated that the company did work in Seguin and in San Marcos. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-73 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas, Awarding A Contract To Hoover Construction Company For The Installation Of 870 Linear Feet Of 8 Inch Wastewater Main Along Ponton Street And Gardien Street To Replace Existing 6 Inch Main In The Amount Of \$97,481.64; Authorizing The City Manager To Execute Contract Documents. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #12, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Mr. Mayor you have said it all. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-74 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Approving The Recommendation From The Tourism Committee To Fund Up To \$5,000.00 To The Gonzales County Jail Museum To Assist Promotions For The Texas History Museum District At The Old Jail Visitor Center. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated as you are aware, I had some questions with the contract a few months back but since have met with Loretta and my questions have been cleared up. The approval of this resolution is recommended by the Tourism Committee. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-75 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Approving The Request From The Gonzales Tourism Committee To Approve Their Recommendation To Contract With Rockin' S Marketing & Design For Advertising And Marketing Services For The City Of Gonzales; Authorizing The City Manager To Execute Agreement. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Tourism Committee received an application from Rusted Gingham to fund up to \$3,500.00 for advertising and promoting the Barn Sale. This event brings 2500 people into town that will stay 1 or 2 nights in the hotels. The Tourism Committee recommends the approval of this request. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-76 A Resolution of The City of Gonzales, Texas Approving the Request from the Gonzales Tourism Committee to Approve Their Recommendation to Fund Up To \$3,500.00 To Rusted Gingham for Advertising and Promoting the Barn Sale. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #15, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the Council requested the concessions to go out for proposal. The RFP was advertised for two consecutive weeks in the newspaper of record but the only bid we received was from Mr. Shuler. His proposal was for \$730.00 monthly. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-77 A Resolution of The City of Gonzales, Texas Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Chris T. Shuler for J.B.

Wells Arena Concessions. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #16, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this is another item that was tabled from last month. Councilman Hernandez asked if we could have more individuals on the JB Wells Advisory Board because there were a few other people that were interested in serving that may not have gotten their applications to serve in on time. Mr. Barnes said that yes we could change the number if the Council wishes. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-78 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Appointing Suzanne Sexton, Kurt Trammell, Crissy O'Neal And Kevin LaFleur and Jesse Elizondo to the J.B. Wells Advisory Board For A Two (2) Year Term Beginning April 1, 2013 And Ending March 31, 2015; Appointing Wesley Caldwell, Steve Hendershot And William Sheppard and Brian Herndon to the J.B. Wells Advisory Board For A One Year (1) Term Beginning April 1, 2013 And Ending March 31, 2014. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #17, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that we held a Public Hearing tonight that another is optional. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-79 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Acknowledging Submission Of The October 1, 2013 - September 30, 2014 Budget And Ordering A Public Hearing On The Budget. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #18, City Manager, Allen Barnes, said that this will allow citizens to serve on more than one Board or Commission at a time. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-80 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Amending Page 39 Of The Boards And Commission Handbook Permitting Volunteers To Simultaneously Serve On More Than One Board Or Commission. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #19, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, expressed that the GEDC unanimously approved funds not to exceed \$15,000.00 for extension of a waste water line. GEDC has been marketing this land as "infrastructure in place" and that it is their responsibility to provide the waste water line. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-81 A Resolution of The City of Gonzales, Texas Approving the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's funding of a Waste Water Line from Commerce Court to Lot. 4 Block 2 in Gonzales Industrial Park. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #20, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the George Gervin Youth Center is applying for a Housing Preservation Grant and that this was brought to you for your support. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-82 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Supporting The George Gervin Youth Center, Inc.'s Application For A Housing Preservation Grant; Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Letter Of Support. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #21, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this year's Come & Take It celebration is being held October 4-6 and that it brings 10 thousand people to town. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman

Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-83 A Resolution of The City of Gonzales, Texas Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Certain City Streets On October 4th, 5th And 6th For The Come And Take It Celebration. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #22, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that 4 members of the Library Boards terms have expired. They have all expressed the desire to continue on the board therefore staff respectfully requests the approval of this resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-84 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Re-Appointing Vicki Frenzel, Erwin Ckodore, Martha Jo Whitt And Noell Ince To The Gonzales Library Board For A Two Year Term Beginning On August 1, 2013 And Ending July 31, 2015. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #23, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated this is another letter that the mayor was asked to sign. It is in support of the Gonzales Community Health Center's grant application. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-85 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Supporting The Gonzales Community Health Center's Application For An Expanded Primary Health Care Grant; Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Letter Of Support. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES

Item #24, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that last month council approved the fee increase for P & Z and ZBOA cases from \$25.00 to \$500.00, this amendment will refund the difference in costs back to the applicant. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-16 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gonzales, Texas Amending Chapter 14. Zoning Of The City Of Gonzales Code Of Ordinances, Section 14.703(A) And Section 14.903(A) Processing; Fee. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #25, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that in the current Budget the fire department had 3 salaries for Lieutenant Positions and is asking for a Budget Amendment to move the funds for a 2nd brush truck. The condition of the existing truck is poor and the Fire Department needs to replace it for safety reasons. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-17 An Ordinance of the City of Gonzales, Texas Approving the Budget Amendment for the Gonzales Fire Department to Move Funds from Salaries for the Purchase of a New Brush Truck. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #26, City Secretary, Kristina Vega, stated this item went before the Planning and Zoning commission on July 22nd and was requesting a rezone of the property from R-1 to R-2. The P & Z voted unanimously in favor of this rezone. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-18 An Ordinance of the City of Gonzales, Texas Re Zoning Part of Lot No. Nine (9), In Range No. Six (6), East Of Water Street, In The Original Outer Town Of Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas (Huinker) From R-1 To R-2. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #27, City Secretary, Kristina Vega, stated this item as well went before the P & Z for the rezone from R-1 to R-2 and was voted unanimously in favor of the rezone. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-19 An Ordinance Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Re Zoning Part Of Lots No. 4 And 5, In Range 7 Of The Original Outer Town Of Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas (Dreyer); Providing For A Severability Clause. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #28 & #29, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the Financial Reports and the Quarterly Investment Reports are attached for you to view.

Item #30, Gonzales Youth Center Director, Pat Anders-Ryan stated that the Youth Center is about to celebrate their 17th year and presented to the council invitations for the "Birthday" celebration on September 7th.

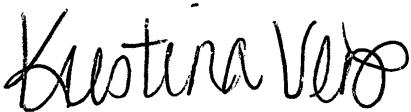
Item #31, Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Annual Report, Carolyn Gibson-Baros asked that this be postponed for a later date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #32, Mayor Logan asked that the City Manager Evaluation be tabled until the next meeting since the entire Council was not present. The Mayor asked for motion to table the Executive Session. Councilman Opiela made a motion to table the Executive Session. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, and the Mayor all voted "aye".

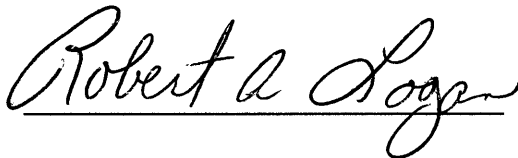
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 22, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 5:15 p.m., Thursday, August 22, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Tommy Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Wade Zella, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carolyn Gibson-Baros- wanted to take a minute to introduce Kasia Pabian to the Mayor and City Council. She stated that Kasia is the new owner of the Gindler building downtown. She has brought a project before GEDC, and is from Virginia. Once she and GEDC work things out I wanted to make sure you all had met her in the event that the project came to you for consideration and she was not able to return for the meeting.

Allen Barnes-I know that this is very unusual for me to get up and come before you like this, but this is something that is very nice. Several months ago the Mayor and I were approached by a Jay Marrou who is a Lt. in the United States Air Force stationed in Afghanistan. Mr. Marrou has family here and is from here. He asked if we could send him a Come & Take It flag, and said that if we have any extras to send them and he would fly them. Tonight it is my pleasure on behalf of Mr. Marrou to present each Council member with a Come & Take It flag that was flown over staff headquarters of his unit in Afghanistan. It comes with a Certificate that says "This Certifies that the accompanying "Come And Take It" flag was flown over the 864th Engineer Battalion Headquarters at FOB Sharana, Afghanistan, Paktika Province during Operation Enduring Freedom" date flown 20 July 2013.

OTHER BUSINESS

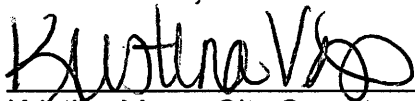
Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that as was discussed in the last meeting the current tax rate is .2329 per \$100.00 valuation. The increase in ad valorem value for the real property inside the City of Gonzales has lowered our effective tax rate to .1845 per \$100.00 valuation. The roll back rate is at .1992, at the previous meetings staff respectfully recommended .1992 it gives us an opportunity to increase our operating cash and still lower the tax rate. However, staff is very aware of your fiduciary responsibility and your authority to set the tax rate at whatever you would like to set it at. Councilman Schurig stated that after visiting with people in my neighborhood, my district we all seem to come up a with a figure we agreed upon. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to set the proposed tax rate at the proposed tax rate of .1845. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder, and the Mayor voted "aye".

RESOLUTIONS

Item #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the regular meeting date for September is the day after Labor Day. Staff respectfully requests that the Council change the meeting date from September 3, 2013 to September 5, 2013. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-86 Changing the regular scheduled council meetig on September 3, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. to September 5, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye".

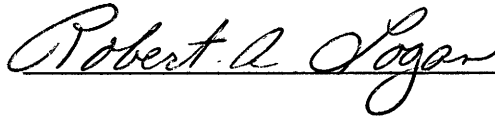
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion and Councilman Hernandez seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 27, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Not Present: City Attorney- Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Wade Zella, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for citizen input for use of Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Funds for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. The GEDC Budget includes the funding for the Main Street Façade Grant Program in the amount of \$50,000.00, and the GEDC Small Business Improvement Program in the amount of \$100,000.00

The mayor stated that no one has signed up for Public Hearing comments but will leave the public hearing portion of the meeting open in case someone has comments until after the Public Comments section.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dennis Nesser-I have sat quietly through a lot of the Budget stuff and a lot of the proposals and stuff and two weeks ago I know that Councilman Schurig wasn't here. You guys all ask the right questions and then you voted against everything you were questioned about, without any real answers. Tonight you have some items on the agenda tonight that are just as questionable. Once again just a couple of weeks later you have the Chamber of Commerce asking for another \$45,000.00. On page 21 of this you have the Boy Scouts of America's name on here, and to be quite honest I am in charge of all the troops in Gonzales and I don't know anything about this \$1,500.00. Questions have to be asked before you give out any money. Two meetings ago you asked the questions and then just handed out the checks. I am asking as a citizen and a tax payer please ask the questions, but then vote to make sure that we get the right answers before we hand out the checks.

Richard Tiller-President of the Tourism Advisory Committee, I just wanted to address a few issues I have heard from a few people. All of the items on the agenda were not sent through the Advisory Committee. I want everyone to be aware of that. Typically the protocol we have set up: requests come through the Advisory Committee we changed it and anything over \$2,500.00 must come to City Council to be approved. One request from the Crystal Theatre is to be added as a special contract. There are several

requests on there that have not followed the protocol and come through our Advisory Committee. I think we are setting a bad precedent if we start doing that people can go straight through to City Council and not go through the boards as they should be.

Mayor Logan Closed the Public Hearing

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that there are a couple of changes that apparently did not make it into this version that had been discussed and talked about with Action Properties. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-87 Approving the terms and conditions of an agreement with Action Properties as authorized under Chapter 380 of the Local Government Code; authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder Schurig, and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item # 2, City Manager, Allen Barnes, Mr. Tiller's presentation during the public comments was absolutely correct these items had not gone to the Tourism Committee. We have two requests from organizations the Crystal Theater is requesting \$15,000.00 and the Chamber is requesting \$45,000.00 the \$45,000.00 does include the \$10,000.00. The third request comes from Ms. Ann Covert that came from an individual rather than an organization and staff recommendation on that one is to be referred back to the Tourism Committee for further consideration. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-88 Approving additional Tourism Funding request from Gonzales Crystal Theatre in the amount of \$15,000.00, Gonzales County Historical Commission in the amount of \$5,000.00, and Gonzales Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$45,000.00 not previously funded in the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Budget. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #3, City Manager Allen Barnes, stated that there are four breakers, there was a misprint in the letter from LCRA. We have 4 breakers at our distribution substation that are in need of replacement. These are very similar to the breakers at your house but these are manufactured individually. We do have 4 and it was my recommendation to LCRA that we do not replace them all at the same time, replace 2 one year and 2 the next year, but we have to have them engineered first. It is beyond the scope of Doucet's and Southwest's normal work. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-89 Authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with LCRA to provide engineering services for the replacement of four distribution breakers at the Gonzales substation. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes, Mr. Mayor, members of the council staff respectfully requests the approval of this resolution. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-90 Supporting the Gonzales Healthcare Systems Foundation securing a grant from USDA to purchase Teleradiology Equipment in the amount of \$352,000.00. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes, I was contacted by the Sherriff, who was contacted by the Former Rangers Association Foundation. On the Saturday of Come & Take It at 1:30 p.m. they have asked

permission to do a celebration of the Immortal 32. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-91 Authorizing the Former Texas Rangers Foundation to place a Memorial to the Immortal 32 at the Gonzales Memorial Museum. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #6, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the General Election is the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Normally our council chambers are used for the election. It is requested that we change the meeting date from Tuesday November 5th to Monday November 4th at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-92 Changing the regular scheduled City Council meeting on November 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that 9 members have been appointed to JB Wells Park Advisory Board and it is also requested to change the number of members to constitute a quorum to 5. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-93 Amending Page 61 of the Boards and Commission Handbook changing the number of members on the JB Wells Park Advisory Board from 7 to 9 Members and five members shall constitute a quorum. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #8, Mayor Logan asked for motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session as authorized by GC 551.072 Personnel. Annual Evaluation of City Manager. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder, and the Mayor all voted "aye".

The Council moved into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

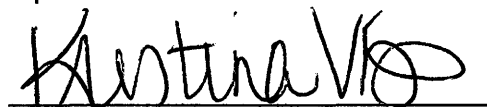
At 8:40 the Council returned to open session.

The Mayor asked for any action resulting from Executive Session.

Councilman Opiela made a motion to increase the City Managers yearly salary to \$110,000.00. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

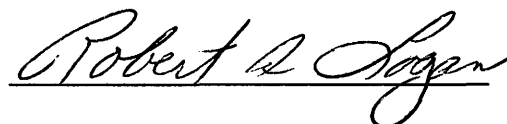
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Opiela seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 5, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, September 5 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Wade Zella, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Gary Shock, Tim Crow, James Conquest, Laura Zella, Marland Mercer, Robert Miller

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

James Ryan-Wanted to remind everyone about the Youth Center's Dinner Saturday night.

Roger Eberle-Just wanted to let the Council know that he was in favor of #2013-95 Tax Rebate program, however I do not feel it went far enough, I think there shall be punitive actions for people who do not maintain their property, and that same benefits should be offered to people that own older homes and want to rehab older homes here.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, The mayor formally signed a Proclamation in honor of Histiocytosis Awareness Month, and presented it to Finance Director, Pam Larison.

PRESENTATION

Item #2, Mr. James Murphy presented information regarding the GBRA-Mid Basin Water Supply Project

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3, The Mayor asked if the Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on on

August 6, 2013, and if they had any questions or concerns. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the August 6, 2013 City Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this item is being presented tonight. A couple months ago the council authorized hourly employees to sell Comp time not to exceed 24 hours. This will allow our exempt employees to sell back some of the vacation or sick time at the same rate. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-94 Amending the City of Gonzales personnel policy manual and authorizing employees to sell accrued sick time. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes, expressed details regarding the Rebate for the downtown area. He also stated that there are two options for this agenda item, one would be to approve this resolution it would become effective on approval tonight and the next building permit for the downtown would be our first potential project. The other would be to table this and bring it back in a couple months. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Tommy Schurig made a motion to table Resolution #2013-95 Authorizing a property tax rebate for the Downtown area, and bring it back for review in November. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #6, City Manager, Allen Barnes presented Mike Brooks of Brooks Cardiel is here to present the Audit. Mr. Brooks went over the details of the Audit summary, stating the auditors offered a clean unqualified which is the highest level of assurance that can be received. He also stated that the City is in good financial shape. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-96 Acknowledging the receipt of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this resolution will allow the City Manager and the Mayor to approve the letters of support from organizations administratively instead of the items having to come before council for each request. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-97 Establishing a policy authorizing the Mayor and/or City Manager to sign Letters of Support for organizations seeking grants or other financial assistance. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #8, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, expressed that at the GEDC's last meeting unanimously approved a \$50,000 grant to Action Properties on to be paid to them on closing on the property. The GEDC Board is respectfully seeking your approval on this expenditure. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-98 Authorizing Gonzales Economic Development Corporation to fund \$50,000.00 to Action Properties as an incentive for a retail project with the addendum requested by the GEDC Board. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #9, City Manager, Allen Barnes, Mr. Mayor you said it all. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-99 Authorizing the Knights of Columbus the use of the Confederate Square on October 4, 2013, October 5, 2013 and October 6, 2013 for the Come and Take It Beer Booth; the sale and consumption of Alcoholic beverages on October 4, 2013, October 5, 2013 and October 6, 2013. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes presented Loretta Shirley the principle of Rockin "S" Marketing and Design. The goal of the marketing plan is to promote Gonzales as a heritage tourism destination. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-100 Approving the Gonzales Tourism's Marketing plan for October 2013 through September 2014 with an update every 90 days. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Schurig voted "nay".

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes, presented Ann Gaines Rodriguez on behalf of the Gonzales Learning and Career Center. This event is a fund raiser for the GL and CC, she also stated that the pets will be required to have leashes and restraints and that everyone cleans up after their pets. This is just a fun event. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-101 Authorizing the Gonzales Learning and Career Center the use of the Confederate Square on October 26, 2013 to hold a pet parade. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES

Item #12, City Manager, Allen Barnes, requested that the council review the administrative costs for the GEDC Director and that possibly the amount of compensation from GEDC to the City may need to be increased. It was suggested that the City employees keep track of the amount of time that is spent on EDC projects and revisit this increase in April. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez

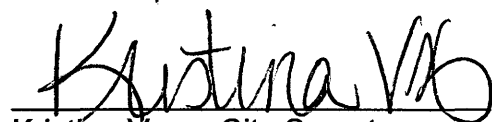
made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-20 Approving the budget for the City of Gonzales and the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014; Renewing the City's Contingency Policy. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes, at the last meeting the council proposed an effective tax rate of .1845 that is the maximum amount based on that vote. Staff respectfully requests approval of this Ordinance. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-21 Approving and Levying the effective Tax Rate of 0.1845 for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

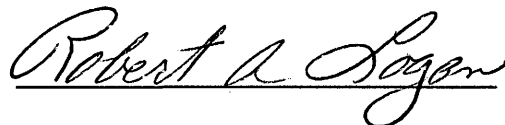
Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated this was brought to my attention with the permit for the LaQuinta. The approximate cost of the permit was \$30,000.00 he paid it with a credit card which cost the City approximately \$900.00 in fees. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-22 Amending Chapter 3 Section 3.540 of the City of Gonzales Code of Ordinances by adding a Processing Fee for credit card payments received on all permit fees. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Schurig seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 10, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 10, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, Tommy Schurig and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Wade Zella, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Tim Crow, Drew Nidey, Marland Mercer,

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no citizens signed up for Public Comments

DISCUSSION

Item #1, TMRS Representative, Shawn Thompson, presented information regarding the different vesting options, eligibility requirements, and the employee buyback program.

PRESENTATIONS FROM ARCHITECTS REGARDING THE LIBRARY

Each Architect explained the process and the steps that they would take to construct a new Library for the City of Gonzales, the importance of the goals of the new construction, the firm's credentials, as well as possible plans for the new construction.

Richard Edwards-Edwards Associate Architects, Houston, TX
Tim Gescheidle-TSG Architects, Gonzales, TX
Ron Hobbs & WaDonna Stich-Ron Hobbs Architects, Garland, TX

RESOLUTIONS

Item #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that last month the P & Z approved the Preliminary and Final Plat for Avalon Park. State law requires that they be approved by council within 30 days of P & Z approval or it becomes automatically approved. This plat may be amended before any work goes on out there. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-95 Approving

the preliminary plat for Avalonpark Texas, L.P. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #3, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated the same goes for this item as it does for Item #2. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-102 Approving the final plat for Avalonpark Texas, L.P. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

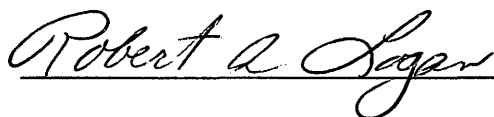
Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes, expressed that this job is a big part of the bond sale that we made approximately a year and a half ago. The lowest bid is by CSA Construction and the \$4.2 Million dollars is considerably less than what staff thought it was going to be. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-103 Awarding a contract to CSA Construction, Inc. for the Water Treatment Plant filter improvements. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Schurig seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL and PLANNING & ZONING WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 17, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their workshop meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 17, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

Staff Present: Allen Barnes, Kristina Vega, Keith Schauer, William Ince, Todd Remschel, Tim Patek, Marlaina Haberman, Ralph Camarillo

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

City Manager, Allen Barnes introduced Dan Sefco and Daniel Harrison of Freese & Nichols. As you know about a year or so ago we attained Freese & Nichols to re-write the Subdivision Ordinance and the Zoning Ordinance. Tonight we have the second draft of the Subdivision Ordinance.

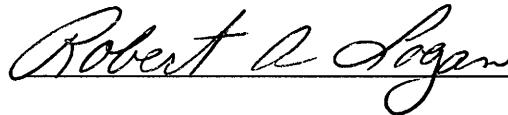
Dan Sefco and Daniel Harrison briefed the City Council and the Planning & Zoning Commission on the details and highlights of the new Subdivision Ordinance.

The Mayor asked for a motion for the workshop to be adjourned. Councilman Schurig made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The mayor then adjourned the workshop at 6:47 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 1, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 1, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, Tommy Schurig and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Todd Remschel, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

JoAnn Leifeste-stated that tomorrow is the 178th Anniversary of the Battle of Gonzales when 18 men here stood up to Santa Anna's army from where we are now. They said if you want this cannon, "Come & Take It." This was considered the first battle of the Texas Revolution. That's how big of a happening it was. She then read the names of those that died at the Alamo. So tonight I'm asking you to please vote for the cleaning of the museum that was built in memory of these men.

Connie Kacir-Executive Director, Gonzales Healthcare Systems Foundation, Agenda Item #11 will address the Hospital hosting its 2014 Gala on the museum grounds. I respectfully request your consideration for favor in that agenda item, approving that request. I did also want to report to the council that over the last 4 to 6 weeks I have worked very close in concert with the Executive staff of the City. I want to commit due diligence to ensure that this event is both a success and enjoyed by all of our guests, and that their safety of course is paramount in every sector.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Texas Capital Fund Main Street Program.

Joann Leifeste-wished to add that she was in favor of this project greatly, because we have many sidewalks in town that are not ADA Accessible.

Item #2, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Re-Zone of the Property Listed below:

Address: 2405 Church Street
Property Owner: Doug Pagel
Physical Description: Part of Lots 14, 15, and 16 in Range No. 3, East of Water Street
Parcel: 21066
No Comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3, #4, #5, #6, and #7, The mayor asked the Council has had an opportunity to view the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 22nd, August 27th, September 5th, September 10th and the September 17th meeting minutes. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

The Mayor asked if anyone else had any comments regarding the Public Hearings.

James Ryan-added that the GEDC has been working on committee of the downtown area and what they are asking for with the Texas Capital Fund Main Street Grant will go a long way to help an area that we really need to focus in to keep it vital and active.

The Mayor then closed the Public Hearings.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #8, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated this and the next 2 items are all required by the Texas Department of Agriculture in order for us to have a complete application for the Texas Capital Fund. The project is to make the intersection next to Halamicek's hardware store ADA Accessible. The estimated cost is \$180,039.00 the grant is \$150,000.00 and our match is \$30,000.00. That \$30,000.00 can be engineering and things like that. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-104 Identifying conditions within the Main Street Target Area of Gonzales for the purpose of meeting National Program Objectives required for funding under the Texas Capital Fund Main Street Improvement Program. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #9, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was presented along with #8. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-105 Authorizing the submission of a Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program; Authorizing the City Manager to act as the City's Executive Officer and Authorized Representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Texas Capital Fund, Main Street Program. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was presented with Items #8 and #9. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve

Resolution #2013-106 Approving an application for funding through the Texas department of Agriculture (TDA) for the Texas Capital Fund Main Street Program; Clarifying the City's contribution for the application. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that you heard Ms. Kacir in Public Comments, and I would just like to add that this is simply giving the Hospital permission to have the event. Staff plans to have several meetings to discuss the logistics of the request. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-107 Authorizing Gonzales Healthcare Systems Foundation to hold the Annual Gala on the Memorial Museum grounds on Saturday May 3, 2014 from 6P.M. to 12A.M.; temporary closure of Smith street in front of the Museum and Moore Street behind the Museum, the closure of through traffic from Church Street and St. Lawrence Street to Hopkins Street and St. Lawrence street on Saturday May 3, 2014 from 5P.M. to 12A.M. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #12, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this is an unusual item. It was brought to our attention that Pioneer Village since 2010 has been covered under the City's liability coverage. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to reject Resolution #2013-108 Authorizing Liability Insurance Coverage for the Gonzales County Restoration Association. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the museum has not been cleaned for 80 plus years and that contact was made with Mid-Continent, the firm that cleaning the Methodist Church. They submitted a quote for the cleaning of the museum and are one of the firms approved by the THC to do restoration. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-109 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an agreement with Mid-Continental Restoration Company, Inc. for the exterior cleaning of the Memorial Museum. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes; at the last council meeting we presented a plan to potentially change our retirement system. We entered the TML System in 1955 or 1956, and have had no plan changes. At the time we joined TMRS we had a 10 year vesting and a 25 year retirement. We have presented 3 plans, Plan A, B, and C. We would like to recommend 5 year vesting and a 20 year retirement, if we had to choose between the vesting and the retirement date we would prefer a 5 year vesting and a 25 year retirement. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-110 Changing the Texas Municipal Retirement System Retirement Plan and Contributions. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor

asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #15, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that on September 10th the Council Approved the contract for the construction phase of the filter replacement project for the Water Treatment Plant. LNV is the engineering firm who designed the job, prepared the plans, and put the job out to bid. The bid amount of \$379,067.00 includes all possible scenarios so that there were no change orders. The actual costs are expected to be less than the \$379,067.00 and will be paid from certificate of obligation proceeds. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-112 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LNV Engineering for Contract and Construction Management for the Water Plant project not to exceed \$379,067.00. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #16, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the developers at Lou's Garden have asked for an amended plat. They want to take lots 15, 16, 17 and 18 that are abounded by Yellow Rose Way and Walker Street and turn those into three lots. It is my understanding that they have a customer that wants a larger lot than their standard lot. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-113 Approving the Amended Plat for Lou's Garden Subdivision. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #17, City Manager, Allen Barnes, expressed that this request is consistent with what has been done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-114 Authorizing Gonzales Main Street the use and closure of Confederate Square for the Happy Fall Y'all Event on Saturday October 26, 2013 from 3 P.M. to 10 P.M. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #18, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this request is also in line with the previous year's requests. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-115 Authorizing Gonzales Main Street the use of Confederate square on December 6, 2013 and December 7, 2013 for the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade and Santa's Market; the temporary closure of St. Louis Street between Hamilton Street and St. James Street, St. James Street between St. Louis Street and St. Lawrence Street, St. Lawrence Street between St. James Street and St. Joseph Street, St. Joseph Street between St. Lawrence Street and St. George Street and St. George Street between St. Joseph Street and St. Paul Street and St. Lawrence Street between St. Paul Street and St. Peter Street On December 6, 2013 For The Lighted Christmas Parade. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #19, City Manager, Allen Barnes, it is time to nominate someone to be on the Board of Directors of the central Appraisal District. There are a total of 5,000 votes we have 125, we can nominate up to 5 individuals. What has been done in the past is that the City of Gonzales does not nominate somebody however they do decide to cast their votes for somebody on the ballot. Staff has no recommendation at this time other than what is consistent with what has been done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. This item dies for lack of motion.

Item #20, City Manager, Allen Barnes, I am very proud to announce that we have opened bids for street improvements. We bid two processes, one is two course seal coating and the other is asphalt. Single course and two course surface treatments will be done on St. Paul, St. Andrew, in the amount of \$197,765.00, and HMAC overlays on St. Vincent, Church, and a portion of St. Paul in the amount of \$427,235.00. Staff is recommending the job be split between two responsive bidders. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-117 Awarding a contract to H&C Construction for the installation of Single Course and Two Course Surface Treatments on St. Paul Street and St. Andrew Street in the amount of \$197,765.00; Awarding a contract to Lone Star Paving Company to provide HMAC overlays on St. Vincent Street, Church Street, and a major portion of St. Paul Street in the amount of \$427,235.00; Authorizing the City Manager to execute contract documents. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #21, City Manager, Allen Barnes, one of the things that I found out when I came to work here is that we do not have a Capital Improvement Plan. It is much like the comprehensive plan for what we need to do work wise. There are very specific guidelines with the state of Texas when you adopt an improvement plan. What is needed to do tonight is to set a Public Hearing date. It is requested that we set a Public Hearing for the November 4, 2013 Council Meeting. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-118 Appointing the Planning and Zoning Commission to act as a Capital Improvement Advisory Committee; Establishing a hearing date of November 4, 2013 to consider the Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvement Plan for the City Service Area. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #22, City Manager, Allen Barnes, last year we passed a policy on Surplus Property that when it is no longer needed by the City that we would come to the council and recommend a disposal method of the property. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-119 Declaring Property as Surplus; Approving the sale of Surplus Property. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES

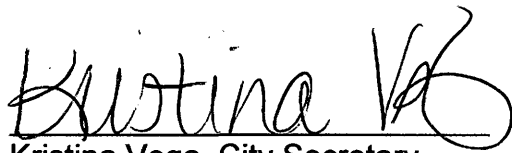
Item #23, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the City is experiencing growth and development at a greater rate than ever before. The Engineering Standards Manual will outline the basic design parameters and details for water distribution and wastewater collection systems, and provides basic design parameters and details for the construction of streets. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-23 Establishing an Engineering Standards Design Manual. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #24, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this is the CPI Increase that the Republic Services Waste allows. What we will do in this ordinance, is do what we done on all the other increases and that is as a pass through, and if there is an increase next year it will pass through as well. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-24 Authorizing the Rate Changes for Republic Services (Allied Waste). Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #25, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this is the property known in town as the Kapavik Mobile Home park on Church Street. Michael Tuch has an agreement to purchase the property and is contingent on this zoning change. Apparently the property was brought into the City limits approximately 15 years ago and Ordinance only granted Mobile Home to half of it and C-2 to the other half. This recommendation was approved unanimously by the P & Z. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-25 Re-Zoning all that Certain Lot or Parcel of Land, Lying and Being Situated in Gonzales County, Texas, being part of Lots 14, 15, and 16, Range No. 3, East of Water Street, from C-2 to MH. Councilman seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schurig made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:07p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 4, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Monday, November 4, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, Tommy Schurig and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Mike Jeffrey, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Todd Remschel, Tim Crow, James Conquest, Caroline Helms, Gary Shock

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Ziadeh-I am actually here in regard to Resolution #15. I am not sure if this is the appropriate time, but I represent the Methodist Church, I am their new youth pastor. Basically we have big plans for this Friday and we just need to get the street blocked.

Roger Eberle-I want to speak up in support of Item 6 on the agenda, Resolution 2013-121. I totally support it, I believe it gives the opportunity to the business owners' downtown an incentive to improve their buildings and not be faced with immediate tax increases.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, Mayor Logan swore in Dustin Kincaid to the City of Gonzales Police Department.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #2, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Capital Improvement Plan and Land Use Assumptions for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

The mayor then closed the Public Hearing

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3, The mayor asked the Council has had an opportunity to view the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 4th meeting minutes. Councilman Schroeder seconded it.

The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

RESOLUTIONS

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this is a ministerial function we are required by law for you to approve Final Tax Roll. You have the information in your packet showing the final number. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-111 Approving the 2013 Final Tax Roll for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that he would like to table this item until December because Mr. Mirarchi contacted him and stated that there would be more changes to the manual. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to table Resolution #2013-120 Amending the City of Gonzales Personnel Policy Manual until the December 3, 2013 Council meeting. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #6, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this item that was carried over from 60 days ago, it was tabled at that time to be brought back in November. This proposal is exactly as it was made last time. The Mayor asked for a motion. No motion was made therefore the Resolution #2013-121 Authorizing a Property Tax Rebate for the Downtown Area died due to a lack of motion.

Item #7, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, stated this agenda item is a result of the GEDC Downtown Committees work. They wanted to increase the maximum amount of the façade grant from \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-122 Authorizing The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation To Increase Funding For The Gonzales Main Street Façade Grant From \$10,000.00 To \$15,000.00 Maximum Of 80% Of Project, 20% Match Is Required By The Applicant. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #8, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, stated that this program was started out as a grant program, the EDC budgeted \$100,000.00. The first year we gave out 7 grants which totaled \$98,000.00 which totaled a reinvestment in those businesses of \$266,000.00. We then took that to a loan program and had no applications. As a result of the work of the Main Street Committee their recommendation to the board was to change it back to a grant program and increase the maximum amount to \$15,000.00. It is still a 50/50 grant with a 50% match required by business owner. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-123 Authorizing The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation To Increase Funding For The Small Business Improvement

Program Grant From \$10,000.00 To \$15,000.00 Maximum Of 50% Of Project, 50% Match Is Required By The Applicant Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #9, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, stated that at the their September meeting the EDC Board voted unanimously in partnership with the City to purchase a set of traffic counters. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-124 Authorizing The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation To Purchase Traffic Counter Equipment And Software, In Partnership With The City Of Gonzales, In An Amount Not To Exceed \$2,908.00 Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #10, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, stated that another result of the Downtown Committee's work, there are several businesses downtown that has their electric service and meter box on the front of the buildings. The committee and the board thought that it would be a good incentive to help these businesses pay to relocate the services to the back of their building in order to clean up the front of the buildings downtown. The maximum amount of the grant is \$2,500.00. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-125 Authorizing The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Funding For Main Street Façade Grant Applicants To Be Eligible For A \$2,500.00 Grant For Utility Relocation From The Front Of Downtown Businesses. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #11, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, stated that currently the By-Laws say that the Fiscal Year of the Corporation shall run concurrently with the City of Gonzales beginning the first day of April and ending the last day of March. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-126 Authorizing The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation To Amend Section VIII, Subsection 8.01, "Fiscal Year", Of The By-Laws To Run Concurrently With The City Of Gonzales Fiscal Year. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #12, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that 2 years ago the City first reinstituted the longevity pay, and staff advised that it would be brought back to Council each November for your approval. It is a budgeted item, and our longevity is up by about \$3,000.00, and that average tenure for the employees ranges from 7.8 years to 9.6 years. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-127 Authorizing The City Of Gonzales To Pay Employees Longevity Pay For The 2013-2014 Fiscal Year Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the

Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this item is a budgeted item and technically I could approve this item but wanted to bring it to you for approval. This study will make sure we are in line with all of our fees. This item would be a comprehensive review of all of the fees that the City charges. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-128 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With McClain Decision Support System For A Rate Fee Study Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela voted "nay", Councilman Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that after a couple months of meeting with the architects the potential benefactor and the individuals that have been involved have interviewed a couple of architects, Ron Hobbs and Tim Gescheidle. It is the recommendation from the individuals involved to go with Tim Gescheidle. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-129 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With Tim Gescheidle For Architectural Services For The Gonzales Library. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #15, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that staff respectfully requests the approval of this resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-130 AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE 400 Block Of Saint Paul Street Between The Hours Of 5:00 P.M. And 12:00 A.M. On Friday, November 8, 2013 For The First United Methodist Church And The Baptist Church 5th Quarter Block Party. Councilman Hernandez seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #16, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this is a tax resale which means that the property has come up previously and received no bidders. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-131 Approving A Tax Re-Sale Of Property Located At 918 Ainsworth Street In The City Of Gonzales Being 0.168 Acres Of Land, More Or Less, Being A Part Of That Certain 3.3 Acres Tract, A Part Of Lots 1 And 4, Block 3 Range 1, West Of Water Street In The Outer Town Of Gonzales, Gonzales County Texas, As Described In A Deed Dated October 4, 1933 From Joe Portales To Martha Satha Cantu, Recorded In Volume 301, Page 619, Deed Records Of Gonzales County. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #17, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that in the 300 block of Cone Street the water department has to unblock the sewer line 2 maybe 3 times a week which

indicates a problem with the sewer. Hoover is the company that is doing the Ponton Street, Gardien Street sewer line. They have agreed to honor their unit price on their contract. This project was not bid because it is less than \$50,000.00, and the Wastewater Department does have it in their budget. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-26 Authorizing The City Manager To Negotiate A Contract With Hoover Construction Company To Construct 380 Linear Feet Of 8" PVC Sewer Line Within The 300 Block Of Cone Street Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

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Item #18, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated Board of Directors of ONEOK have voted to spin off what we now know as Texas Gas Services, it will now be called One Gas Incorporated. Our franchise agreement with them requires approval for an assignment of a franchise. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-26 Approving The Assignment And Transfer Of The Franchise Previously Granted To Oneok, Inc; Determining That This Ordinance Was Passed In Accordance With The Texas Open Meetings Act Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

BOARD/STAFF REPORTS

Item #19, #20 and #21, the financials are available for the Council to review.

Item #22, Gonzales Economic Development Corporation, Nathan Neuse recapped what the ED has been doing in the past few months.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Logan asked for motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session as authorized by GC 551.087(2) Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations, GC 551.071(1)(A) Consultation with Attorney. Pending or Contemplating Litigation, GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder, and the Mayor all voted "aye".

The Council moved into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:53 p.m. the Council returned to open session.

The Mayor asked for any action resulting from Executive Session.

There was no action resulting from Executive Session.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Hernandez seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 3, 2013 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday 3, 2013, 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 Logan, Councilmen Gary Schroeder, Lorenzo Hernandez, Tommy Schurig and Clarence Opiela.

Others Present: City Manager-Allen Barnes, City Secretary-Kristina Vega, City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, William Ince, Marlaina Haberman, Keith Schauer, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Todd Remschel, Tim Crow, Caroline Helms, Gary Shock, Robert Miller

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank Wallace-owner of Wallace Electrical Services. Here to address what I feel is an unwarranted and unjustified increase in electrical permits. The average cost of permits I have pulled since the price increases have well exceeded 400%. I know very few of the citizens who have had a 400% increase in their yearly income unless they have done so due to increase from oil or gas mineral royalties. These are some comparisons I have made on my own regarding permit costs for other municipalities; League City \$40.00, Shiner \$10.00, Houston \$60.00, Pasadena \$60.00, Lockhart \$15.00, Luling-an entire dental clinic cost of electrical permit was \$140.00, New Braunfels-an entire dental clinic the cost of an electrical permit was \$147.00, Gonzales Community Health Clinic before the price increases \$15.00, several meter loops before the change was \$15.00. I did an entire Shiner Tiger Tote store for \$10.00, Bastrop an entire Tiger Tote Store \$214.00. Since the change a meter can only change out cost in Gonzales permit cost is now \$80.00. I did a 200 amp meter loop installation and an upgrade from 100 amp to 200 amp last week on a 1324 Seydler Street and the cost of the electric permit was \$315.00. I do not see justification for the amount of the increase; I believe this will make it difficult for citizens to have work installed legally. They make look to have it done without permits. I believe there is a need for permitting as it is intended that the citizens have work that is done safe, up to code or ordinance. Also, I realize there is a need to keep the permit costs at a rate where the city is not losing money, however, I think this can be done without putting tremendous burden on the citizens who, after all pay all of your salaries. My second item to address is requirement to show the job cost to obtain an electrical permit. As an independent contractor most of our jobs are obtained through competitive bid process and it is my understanding that all permitting data once it is filed

is public record. I have nothing to hide about my permit costs, however I see no better way for my competitors to gain an unfair advantage over my bidding process that is between my company and my clients. I realize that tax revenue is based on fair market value of property and improvements to that property increase and value. I think that there should be some alternative to this procedure, I don't know what the answer is but I feel that all of you combined can come to an acceptable solutions.

JoAnn Leifeste-I was asked some time ago to be on the JB Wells committee but was unable to do so at the time because of personal reasons, but I decided I was going to get a copy of Mr. Wells will and study that because I heard so many people talk about what he put in his will had been disregarded (a lot of it). So it's been a very sad undertaking. I don't know if y'all read his will or not but I recommend that you do if you haven't. He wanted a park that was the main thing he wanted. I noticed on the Comprehensive Plan that is in the process of being adopted tonight that there is a recommendation objective 7.3.1 page 286 to develop along with TPWD a state park commemorating the Battle of Gonzales at Santa Anna's Mound. This seems like the perfect opportunity to make up for so many things in this will that were disregarded.

Charles L Steans- received a certified letter 2 or 3 days ago. I own property up on 1614 Waco Street, I own a total of 4 different properties. This is one I bought as an investment 10 to 12 years ago, I was having problems with it. I stay in Seguin and work in Canyon Lake everyday as a mail carrier. I work 6 days a week so it was kind of hard for me to get out here being that I go to church on Sunday, but that's no excuse as to why. From what I understand the property is probably looking at being condemned. If I get a time frame my intention is to get the property back up to have it rented. Again, you have a decision to make but I'm asking for a reasonable time to get the property back up. I have neglected this property over the years because it was out of my way. As an owner I still own the property and I would like to continue to rent this property.

Roger Eberle-here again to support #8 Tax Rebate. I feel like that is a no brainer, it costs the city absolutely nothing. Nothing is being done at the present time, it may provide an incentive to improve commercial and residential property within the city and give us additional taxes in the future, and I see no reason for the Council to emulate their masters up in Washington and keep kicking the can down the road. Do something and do it immediately. It's like our big paving project that was to start the 1st of October, so far I've seen the east side of College Street torn up and I saw a guy with a bag of cold crete tapping it into a pot hole, and that's all I've seen on that big project, that's been two months already.

Allen Barnes-Mr. Mayor may I brief the Council on that? Public works projects require contracts and the contracts have not been executed yet. It is my understanding that the City Attorney's office received the contracts from the two paving companies either Tuesday or Wednesday of last week. Due to the current temperatures it is impossible to the work as prescribed, as was stated when we were approving the budget. The temperatures have to be above 50 degrees and rising in order to do the paving. It is my understanding that our City Engineer and our Public Works department plan to begin

preparing streets at the end of January, and hope the weather cooperates and we can begin the paving in March or April. If anybody believed that October 1st we were going to start tearing up streets, I'm sorry I mislead them.

Dennis Nesser-I got to thinking of an analogy. If I go down to buy a new car, I know that over time I've got to change the oil in it, put new wheels on it, and maybe even put a new paint job on it if I keep it long enough. If I buy a used car from day one I may have problems and I might have to do the same thing. When I buy a building, whether it be a house or business building, I know it is my obligation to keep it going. When I don't like it anymore I sell the building, or the car. The amendment that has come before you again this month I believe this may be the third time is something that we know as business owners or house owners that we have to maintain. If we don't like it, we get rid of it. I don't like it, its money that I as a taxpayer and a vast majority in this town don't get privileged to, and it is a privilege. I don't understand it; I don't understand it at all. Also, I don't understand farther down the road this incubator that's in there. I got to tell you, I read the packages and this one paragraph about an incubator doesn't tell us anything. It needs to be tabled until we have some information, even so those of us in the city can have an informed opinion on it. We have to have information in order to have an informed opinion.

Barbara Crozier-I would like to address and discuss Item number 8 that Mr. Eberle and Mr. Nesser spoke to. It's interesting that they both set up for my comments but I would like to take just a second to give you a little bit of background on what's been going on during the summer and the fall on a committee I sat on with the GEDC members who were charged to canvass the community and come up with a plan to spur Economic Development in our immediate downtown area. Our Historic Downtown through inertia and through lack of commitment, concern or a comprehensive plan has been allowed to fall in an incredible state of disrepair over the last 20 years. Mr. Nesser I agree with you whole heartedly that it is our responsibility as homeowners and building owners to keep our properties up, and I think that most of us in this room do that. I am also a realist and I can look at our downtown and so could every member that sat on that GEDC committee this summer grappling with how to go about starting economic development down there. It's difficult at best to get people to want to take on a historic building in an area like ours. The buildings are so deteriorated that the moneys that are involved are staggering, if we are to actually commit to downtown revitalization we are going to have to face the real and hard facts that we are going to have to do some things to encourage people to invest their time and hard earned money down there to do that. So it seems to me it's time to make that decision whether we want to continue to let the dismal slide of our downtown to go on or if we want to draw a line in the sand and take that steps that it will really take to encourage people to reinvest in that.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Adoption of Proposed Impact Fees for Fiscal Year 2013-2014

Item #2, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the proposed Subdivision Ordinance.

Item #3, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the Adoption of the Proposed City of Gonzales Comprehensive Plan

Item #4, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding an Ordinance Affecting Participation of City Employees in the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

Item #5, The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding Structures Described as Substandard Buildings.

William Ince-Building Official presented a slide show and stated that tonight we prepared details regarding 5 different structures that have visible code compliance and structural issues. These photos were taken the first week of November by Mr. James Conquest and myself. The City of Gonzales has received numerous complaints about the lack of maintenance and possible health and safety hazards as their current conditions these structures may pose. These structures have issues that are related to the adopted 2009 International Property Maintenance Code Sections 304, 308 and 309. They range anywhere from structural, roofing and flooring integrity, the absence of doors and windows and the accumulation of rubbish and garbage. According to the Gonzales Appraisal District the average percent good line item is 15-20% on the average of these structures. In the Broken Window theory it states that maintaining and taking care of structures in a good sound condition may stop further vandalism. These issues do not happen overnight but it is proven that routine maintenance of these structures could have prevented them from deteriorating beyond repair.

Michael Floyd-we had one little problem here, I was asked to come to a meeting on Monday December 3rd that date doesn't exist. This building is near Susie Selzer's beauty shop, it used to be called the Kappmeyer building, there was no notice put on it, I got nothing in the mail. I don't know of any inspection that was done, according to Susie Selzer no one ever went inside that building. I don't know what the specific code violations are, I would be quite happy to get those and discuss it with Mr. Ince sometime and get the situation rectified. I am not sure if he was meaning the entire building or just the front of the building that was shown on that slide, which admittedly has some bricks falling off. To tear down that whole building would put Susie Selzer out of business. If I could get some more information from Mr. Ince about what needs to be done, once he goes inside the building then I will be quite happy to work with you to get the situation rectified, but I just don't have enough information right now.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #6, The mayor asked the Council has had an opportunity to view the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 4th meeting minutes. Councilman Schroeder seconded it.

The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez. Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

The mayor then closed the Public Hearing

RESOLUTIONS

Item #12, Gonzales Chamber of Commerce, Daisy Scheske, stated that the Chamber of Commerce would like to request the street closures for the annual Jingle Bell Fun Run. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-136 Authorizing The Gonzales Chamber Of Commerce The Closure Of St. Lawrence Street On Saturday, December 7, 2013 From 7:00 A.M. To 11:00 A.M. For The Jingle Bell Run; Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that you have a red line copy of our proposal. These proposals come from a training course called Reset the Clock that a couple of the Council, a couple of the EDC and most of the supervisory staff attended back in October. These changes will very likely reduce the risk of a law suit because it is a very current and up to date manual. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-120 Amending The City Of Gonzales Personnel Policy Manual. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #8, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was brought to on last month's agenda but died due to a lack of motion. I was asked to place it on this month's agenda and include the Historic homes; I have complied with that request. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-121 Authorizing A Property Tax Rebate For Historic Commercial And Residential Properties In The Downtown Area. The Mayor asked for a second. The motion died due to the lack of a second.

Item #9, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was presented back in September/October a ballot has been presented to you from the appraisal district. I believe we have 125 votes, those votes can be placed for one individual or can be divided however the council sees fit. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-133 Casting Votes For The Gonzales County Appraisal District Board Of Directors For The Term Of Office Beginning January 1, 2014 And Ending December 31, 2015. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor then asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all vote "aye".

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this is a ministerial function of the council and apparently it has not been brought to council previously, it is supposed to be done every year. This will be brought to you each November/December every year from here on

out. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-134 Authorizing The City Manager To Renew Continuation Of Coverage Administrative Agreement (Cobra) Plan And Section 125 Flexible Spending Arrangement Service Agreement With Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Benefits Pool. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes, requested to table this item due to an error on the agenda. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2013-135 Authorizing The Master Gardeners' The Use Of Texas Heroes Square Including The Parking Lots On Saint Louis Street And Saint James Street On Saturday, April 5, 2014 For The Master Gardeners' Spring Plant Sale. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes, in 1991 the City of Gonzales abandoned Walnut Street and apparently the Tealers were left out of that Quit Claim Deed. Recently that property has sold and in the title commitment they found the open right of way. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-137 Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A Quit Claim Deed To Pi Endeavors, L.L.C. In Accordance with Resolution #R91-4 Dated April 16, 1991. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela voted "nay", Councilman Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item does declare these buildings as per Mr. Ince as being substandard. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-138 Issuing an Order of Disposition of Substandard Buildings. Giving Mr. Steans and Mr. Floyd within 90 days to be in compliance with Code or demolish, and the remainder of these that did not appear be ordered to be demolished within the 90 days. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #15, Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros. Stated that at the November 25th meeting the GEDC approved a loan for the Alcalde Hotel \$455,670.00 to repaid at 2.5% interest over a 10 year period. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-139 A Resolution Of The City Of Gonzales, Texas Approving The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's Funding Of A Loan In The Amount Of \$455,670.00 For The Alcalde Hotel Project;. Councilman Schurig seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #16, Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, requested this item to be tabled. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to

table Resolution #2013-140 Approving The Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's Funding Of \$350,000.00 For The Purchase And Renovation Of A Building For The Creation Of A Business Incubator. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor then asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all vote "aye".

ORDINANCES

Item #17, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that back in September the council approved TMRS 20 year service plan as a Resolution but TMRS requires it to be done by Ordinance. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-27 Affecting Participation Of City Employees In The Texas Municipal Retirement System Granting The Additional Rights Authorized By Section 854.202(G) Of Title 8, Texas Government Code, As Amended Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #18, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that this item is approving the 5 year vesting for the TMRS. Again, this was done as a Resolution but needs to be completed as an Ordinance. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-28 Affecting Participation Of City Employees In The Texas Municipal Retirement System; Granting The Additional Rights, Credits And Benefits Authorized By Sections 852.205 Of Title B. Government Code, As Amended. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #19, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated at the last meeting there was a Public Hearing regarding the CIP that was introduced by the City Engineer, Keith Schauer. There have not been any changes to the CIP since that Public Hearing. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013- 29 Accepting The 2013-2014 Capital Improvement Plan For The City Of Gonzales Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #20, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated as the community grows and we have more development Impact Fees are a way to recoup the impact the new residents will have on the infrastructure. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-30 Accepting The 2013-2014 Impact Fees For The City Of Gonzales. Councilman Opiela seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #21, City Manager, Allen Barnes, this item was presented to the P&Z Commission as required by state law. This will be the first Comprehensive Plan since 1962. The

Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-31 Adopting The City Of Gonzales Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

Item #22, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated that the last time the city had a new subdivision ordinance was in 1995. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2013-32 Repealing Chapter 10 Subdivision Regulation Of The City Of Gonzales Code Of Ordinances; Adopting A New Chapter 10 Subdivision Regulation Ordinance Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

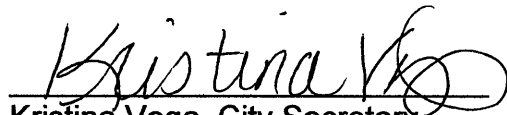
BOARD/STAFF REPORTS

Item #23, Financial Reports are available for the Council to review.

Item #24, Library Board President, Vicki Frenzel presented the Library Board Report

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion and Councilman Schurig seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:

