

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 7, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., January 7, 2015, 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 Lorenzo Hernandez, Gary Schroeder, Clarence Opiela and Tommy Schurig.

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

Staff Present: Todd Remschel, James Conquest, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Tim Patek, Tim Crow, Barbara Friedrich, Keith Schauer, Keith Schmidt, William Ince, Wade Zella

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 since August 5th when I asked you to create a document for me so I could get the revenues. The City had turned me down, and I had went to the Attorney General and they provided them for me and I published them in the Gonzales Inquirer at my own expense because I felt other tax payers had a right to know that, and the revenues of \$5.2 million and expenditures of almost \$9 million and with the additional \$3.5 million that you are apparently going to approve tonight that is going to make an even bigger deficit. I have asked the opinions committee in the Texas Attorney General's Office to give me their opinion on the land donated by Mr. Wells, how it's been used, how this money situation where all this money is put into this park and there are so few revenues and we are going to even get in deeper with this expo center. Now if I did that I would be in here begging for food and money because it's not good management, and you as a City Council, according to state law you are the managers of the parks. That is not good management and I am sure you know that without me saying it. The price of oil is down \$47 or it was this morning in the Wall Street Journal. One oil company filed suit for bankruptcy yesterday, and they are predicting there is going to more of that because they weren't prepared for this. The price of oil according to the Wall Street Journal could drop to \$20 a barrel but even at \$47 a barrel you know that our income from the state is going to drop drastically, so we know that there isn't going to be a conference center for us in this City if there's one out there with a forecast that we've go in the economy right now. Another thing is, when y'all took an oath that you would uphold the laws of Texas and the United States, and you have not done that. You have not complied with JB Wells will. I know that most of you were not here when the City signed a deed in 1999 that they would comply with his

will, when this land was given to them, but it has not been complied with and with this passing of this expo center that's just further not complying with it. This is one of the things that he said he wanted, that he wanted a park in memory of his parents, he wanted Santa Anna Deer Park, a game sanctuary with native deer around his lodge, of course his lodge is burned down now. He said he wanted a public park in November 1999, the City on the deed said they would carry out his wishes, and something happened. What we have out there if you pull up JB Wells on the computer, there are two things that are not related to rodeos and that is Santa Anna's mound, which is a historical marker. I want to ask a couple of questions here, has there ever been a pro-forma completed on this plan? What studies have been done if any studies have been done for this expo center? Is it going to be supported by taxpayer dollars, putting our reserves at risk?

Ann Covert stated she would like to speak to agenda items 4 and 5. I am delighted that the LCRA grant for community improvement is on the agenda. I think it is wise that we consider this grant as something beneficial to the community. I would prefer that we could apply for any and all grants that we qualify for and have need of. I have long been concerned about our parks and more particularly upgrading additional playground equipment for our children. I would hope the Council realizes the importance of funding recreation for all ages in the community, and that all grants be applied for at every opportunity. In my opinion the community has a responsibility to provide recreation opportunities for our youth. Be it from certain funds of the city and/or partners with other entities or individuals. I took advantage of the UTSA Eagle Ford classes last year in that process the most important issue was sustainability of communities after the oil boom goes away. Youth was an important element, on how to have them enjoy growing up here and having them stay here. Jobs, quality of life, advantages and planning were agenda items of the UTSA emphasis. Eagle Ford Shale gave UTSA a lot of money to assist all of the small towns that are enjoying a boom that will not have perpetuity, at that time I chose parks and downtown improvements as my research interest and pursued each to a point to where I realized that many people and partners must be included to make it all work for the benefit of the community. Part of our findings in a collaboration of many people in the community that we need more playground facilities in Lion's Park, Independence Park and that we more small parks. I have seen the Parks & Recreation wish list, and it is extensive of what we want as a city in our parks. This is a good time to get started with these possible grants to advance the health and wellbeing of our community. More importantly I believe all applicable grants should be pursued and I would encourage Council to do a blanket approval for all grants.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, Mayor Logan swore in the new police officers Ryan Salles and Alberto Carrero to the Gonzales Police Department.

Item #2, Presentation of Certificates, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the entity that was going to commend the City had other engagements that were unavoidable and this will be scheduled for another night.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 2, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting. 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 Ms. Covert gave my presentation for me. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-1 Approving a Grant Application in the Amount Of \$25,000.00 To the Lower Colorado River Authority's Community Development Partnership Program. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 staff requests this item to be tabled. It was brought to our attention today that the Police Department received the Power Up Grant approximately a year ago and there is a three year waiting period when a recipient receives a grant to get the next grant. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2015-2 Approving a Grant Application in the Amount Of \$25,000.00 To the Guadalupe Valley Electric Power up Grant Program. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 Tim Gescheidle is here to discuss the stage of plans that we are at on this project. I believe he has a couple of alternative to offer the council. The design committee consists of Mr. Opiela, Mr. Hernandez and a member of the JB Wells Board, and they all have looked at the plans. Tim Gescheidle presented two different floor plans for the Council to consider. One that everyone seems to like the most, but in light of cost there is an alternative plan to be considered. The first drawing is a sight plan basically what was talked about before and is in the same location as decided before. The second sheet is the larger plan, basically it is right around 30 thousand square feet. The big hall room/ball room is 19,800 square feet. The main room can seat up to 2,800 people, from 1200-2800 depending on we lay the space out. The other plan has a large hall of 15 thousand square feet and can seat anywhere from 1,000-2,100 people depending on how the chairs are laid out. Cost projections of the buildings are \$102 a square foot for the larger building and the smaller building comes out to \$105 a square foot. Councilman Hernandez asked at the last meeting we talked about going out for bids, are will still there? Mr. Gescheidle said yes I was going to suggest we do that and see what the bids come in at and be able to cut items for cost as we need to. This cost is not telling you it is going to cost this much. This cost is on the lower end of cost. Mayor Logan stated "We set a budget of \$3.3 million dollars and I don't see that we can build a 29 thousand square foot building for

that. Councilmen Schurig and Hernandez agreed that the council should stick with \$3.3 million that was decided prior. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-3 Accepting the Design, Design Team, Construction, Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment for a 21 thousand square foot building for the JB Wells Park Expo Center. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Schroeder voted "nay".

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the FERC Permit for the Hydro-Plant expires in 2020. Last council meeting Steve Moffitt from Schneider Engineering was here and gave us two alternatives, one was re-licensing the plant that would cost us \$300,000.00 and the other was to decommission the plant which was an unknown number not to exceed \$5 million. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-4 Authorizing the Relicensing of the Hydro-Electric Plant. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that the wastewater line from Titcomb to Patrick has been problematic to the water and sewer department for some time. We are in the process of reclaiming and resurfacing St. Vincent and this project was brought to me by the City Engineer that this is in need of being done and the bid amount was \$49,999.00 from Smith Contracting. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-5 Awarding the Contract to Smith Contracting for the St. Vincent Street Wastewater Line Replacement from East of Titcomb Street to Patrick Street. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that during the budget time staff presented to the council to purchase a new fire truck and in the meantime the Fire Chief has spent a great amount of time researching fire trucks. It appears that the Pierce Dash is much more user friendly and has more safety features than the other trucks. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-6 Authorizing the Purchase of a New Pierce Dash CF Tanker Pumper to include seven annual payments. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated this starts the Certificates of Obligations for JB wells Park Expo in the amount of \$3.3 million. I will say that this is a combination tax and revenue bond that is not saying that we have to pledge ad valorem tax that is just to buy our interest rate down, because your interest rates are lower if you say it is a tax and revenue certificate of obligation versus a general revenue bond. The funds that are allocated for this are from the Hotel/Motel Tax and the EDC Sales Tax. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution

#2015-7 Authorizing the Intention to Issue Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 if you recall we did this in January of last year. Texas Gas Service has filed for what is called a GRIP Rate Increase of its interim rate adjustments. The Texas utility code gives us no recourse on this rate. Once the gas company files the grip rate the City has 60 days, however at the end of that 60 days the City can require an additional 45 days. That delays the implementation of the rate increase until February 2nd. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-8 Authorizing A Forty-Five Day Study Period For The Texas Gas Service Interim Rate Adjustment (Grip). Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 429 Cities and Counties across the United States have approved this resolution very similar to this. At the writing of this briefing sheet 34 cities and counties in Texas had approved it, but there have actually been 4 or 5 more approve it. This is an effort that was started by Jackie Sullivan who is a councilman in Bakersfield, California in 2002. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-9 Authorizing the Display of the National Motto "In God We Trust" in the Gonzales Council Chambers in a Prominent Location at City Hall. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

BOARD/STAFF REPORTS

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report is available for the Council to review.

Item #14, Gonzales Charter Review Committee member Dennis Nesser gave a verbal report of the progress of the Charter Review Committee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #15, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session. At 7:40 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:17 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #16, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session. Councilman Schurig made a motion authorizing the City Manager to offer a contract for Library Property not to exceed the amount discussed, and to order an independent commercial appraisal from San Antonio. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor

asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Hernandez voted "nay". Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion passed by four and one.

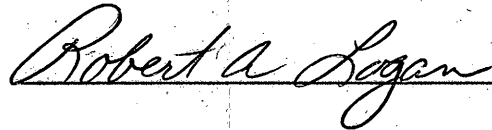
ADJOURN

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



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 13, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 5:00 p.m., January 13, 2015, 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 Lorenzo Hernandez, Clarence Opiela and Tommy Schurig.

The following member was absent: Gary Schroeder

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

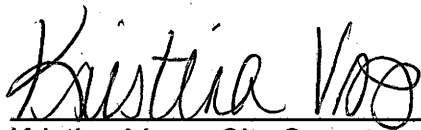
Mayor Logan called the meeting to order.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated this is the same logistics as it has been every year that I have been here. They are going to take a rest stop half way through and end up at the Edwards Association. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-10 Authorizing Edwards Association to Temporarily Close City Streets to Hold an Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Parade on January 19, 2015. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "aye"

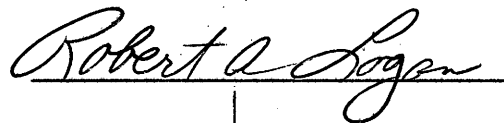
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 3, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., February 3, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Ralph Camarillo, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Pam Larison, Barbara Friedrich, Megan O'Neal, Tim Crow, James Conquest, Keith Schmidt, Gary Shock

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 I am making these comments so they will be on the record. The City Council not standing up for JB Wells Jr., his will, and deed has bothered me a lot. Because the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:45 "You shall not side with powerful against the weak and whatever you do to the least of these you do to me." I believe the weak in this case are JB Wells Jr. because he is deceased, he can do nothing to fight for his legal rights here on earth, and we as tax payers are weak too because all we can do is vote you out of the office when that time comes. In the meantime we can do nothing to stop you from committing our tax money to construct an expo center which was generally agreed in a meeting of business and non-business tax payers here last July, that we want a convention center near the motels to the north where the growth is going. Not five miles away and a place where the animals live. The JB Wells Advisory Board minutes for October 15, 2013, which aren't on the City's website but only obtainable with a Public Information Request included the statement; the board asked for copies of the Jr. High and Texas Youth Rodeo Association contracts to see what facility has been promised in regards to a multi-use facility. Mr. Barnes had promised in 2012 to the Jr. High finals that facility. So what our business and non-business tax payers want isn't relevant. How un-transparent! I have prepared a packet for each of you and it has a list of questions on the left hand side of the packet that I am requesting each of you to ask the City Manager to answer, then to give the questions and the answers to the local newspapers editors to publish as soon as possible. We the tax payers who could end up paying for this expo/conference center through sales taxes and more than likely ad valorem tax money because of the economic climate are partners with you in this endeavor whether we want to be or not and as a partner we are entitled to know what research has been done regarding the planned construction of the

expo/conference center in which our taxes will be invested. This is our right as our former State Senator Glen Hagar advertises on the Texas Comptroller's website. Open government is accountable government see your tax dollars work in Texas. Also, included in your packet is information about building in an un-inundated area like JB Wells Park is, and pictures of floods that have occurred there since 1936.

Lloyd Kurtz, stated I would like to give these pictures to the council. I am sure you have already heard of this. I know Mr. Hernandez is and he was nice enough to let me go over to his business and we had a good talk. I want to thank y'all for having a police that we have, we are lucky and I appreciate it. I have been living in this house since 1961, not the one I am having this problem with but on College Street. The police department has been one of the nicest people I have ever done business with. I went and talked to the Chief and I wasn't able to meet with the City Manager but he sent a fellow up to my house; Mr. Camarillo was one of the nicest young men I've ever met. So we are real lucky to have that we do running the city. The pictures brought to you show a wreck that happened and a car got really close to my building. I understand we are going to get a four way stop sign and that's great, but then we are going to have big problems with the folks coming off of that bypass, but let's hope it all works out.

Mike Hanson, I'd like to say too that public service from the City is one of my main concerns too. I had an issue come up today and I called Lorenzo and he was real nice and I called Jackie and she ended up squaring it away. That's what the City's job needs to be, not put road blocks in our way. I made a speech to the Economic Development board. We've been in business almost 70 years as Gonzales Rental Properties. We've been renting houses out since 1947 and it's been a family owned business ever since. It's grown a lot and we got a lot of investors involved in it now and we still try to stay in \$750 rent wise. That's about 90% of our properties, but haven't been able to do that lately because of this appraisal board jacking something that is worth \$10 thousand or \$25 thousand, that has always been a rent house, a low end rent house, that people count on to work for \$10 an hour, that's if they get \$10 an hour in this town, and having the \$350 rents in this town. That is coming to an end and that's why I am here tonight because of the taxes. Since Christmas, this oil business has gone down, down, down. I bet that in the last 2 or 3 weeks we've lost hundreds of people in the town if not thousands. I know for a fact that we haven't had a customer in two weeks at the motel. These motels are empty out here. The Lexington, I've monitored it for the past four days and you can't throw a rock at an oil truck anymore. What we need to do now is stop spending. I heard they are trying to build a new high school, and that needs to come to a stop right now because we are going to end up as locals with that price tag. Y'all think y'all are going to count on this sales tax? I guarantee you that the next quarter it's going to go down 25% and then after that it's going to go down 50%. I can see the writing on the wall. I've had dozens and dozens of people get laid off. The point is that we need to stop spending, take care of the roads and tighten our belt.

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, Presentation of Certificates, Head of Drug Enforcement Agency in San Antonio, Mel Rodriguez, stated this summer we culminated an investigation as an

OCDETF (Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force) investigation. It was called operation Come & Take It, and it was a great success. We couldn't have done it without the help of your city, Chief of Police and your police officers. I said it before and I will say it again DEA is nothing without the assistance of state and local law enforcement, so we wanted to come over here and give some certificates of appreciation to those that helped us. Again, it was a great success, but before I get started if I could take a couple of minutes to talk about one thing. The Chief has been kind enough to assign a task force officer to our task force. In the event you have any questions I will be more than happy to address the questions, but just from DEA's side, it's a win-win situation, because the task force officer that comes over, we expect the same thing of that officer that I do of my own special agents. So we are going to get him or her trained up the same way that the special agents are trained in Quantico. When and if you ever get him back you get back an officer that is better trained and can hopefully pass on that training to his co-workers, and the more important thing is that based on the investigations that are going on in the group and the seizures/asset seizures your agency/city is able to participate in the asset sharing, or a percentage of those. Like I said it is a win-win situation and I can't thank you enough. What I would like to do before I hand out the certificates, I wanted to get the case agents to brief you a little bit on the case, just to tell you the successes that we had and to show you that we couldn't have done it without you.

Juan Alcocere stated he is a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration and currently the acting group supervisor of group 353 of the San Antonio District Office. Myself and Task Force Officer John Flores, and Task Force Officer Hiram Munoz were the agents in the investigation that started October 2013. This investigation was worked jointly with your police department and without their assistance and intelligence we would have had a hard time getting this case started. They facilitated a lot of man hours, intelligence, and as you know this community is a little small and difficult to operate in the manner that we do our operations and they made that a lot easier for us. There were many days we spent a lot of surveillance out here and it was difficult to conduct because of certain areas, locations, citizens, you name it. Some of the officers that are sitting here today participated in a 72 hour long surveillance and one of them was sick and we tried to get her to go home but she wouldn't. They went out and above what was expected of them to assist us in this investigation. As a result we were able we were able to infiltrate a drug trafficking organization that was operating out of your city and was bringing in multi-kilo quantities of methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin into this community and surrounding cities. With their assistance and intelligence and with our intelligence and our offices in Mexico we were able to link this sale with the source of supply in Mexico who was a direct tie to the Gulf Cartel based out Matamoros, Mexico. It might seem insignificant but really there's a lot of ties to the sales operating in our cities in the United States, and without the assistance of local police department and sheriff department this would not be possible and wouldn't be done as successful as we did. In June this case was presented to a Federal Grand Jury, the Western District of Texas and we indicted 12 defendants in this case including the source of supply in Mexico. You don't see that very often but all this is possible because the Police Department, Police Chief, Captain

Autry went out of their way to assist us. With that being said we indicted 12, arrested 11 and we are working on the 12th person. We were able to seize some assets, weapons and most importantly take some of these guys out of your community that are poisoning your young kids.

John Flores stated Juan covered it well. We have to submit to our boss a letter saying these guys deserve recognition. We knew it immediately when we got here and started working with the City Police Officers that there were here that were here that we were going to establish a relationship. They opened the doors to the city to us. Just like Juan explained your city is a small enough city, to covertly conduct an investigation is almost impossible. We won't go into details how we did it, but with their assistance every person you see in a uniform today made that happen.

Mr. Rodriguez then handed out certificates to Chief Crow, Captain Gayle Autry, Sean Sheehan, Bethany McBride-Hobbs, Tammy West, Matthew Camarillo and Matthew Cowan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #2 and 3, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the January 7, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting, and the January 13, 2015 Called City Council Meeting. 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 if you recall last August we had to send out a notice to each of our customers about elevated levels of HAA5 and TTHM. Just before I get into this we did get another letter today that we are going to have to send the same letter out based on annual averages. The number that we received back in May was 590 something, and our last test was 14. So we have improved, however, we did at that time speak with LNV and ask for a scope of work for them to work with our water department, look at the way we treat our water, the processes that we, the chemicals that we use, the temperature swings, and all of the various interactions we have with the water. We have come back with a seven phased approach. Marcus Naiser is here with LNV and he can explain the graphic details of what each phase is. The end goal for this is to have a stable water system. That next time we have a 6 or 8 inch rain 2 days before we have a sample we don't have to send these notices back out. We have other issues with the 97 well water smells that will be addressed also. You have their prices for Phase I and Phase II. Phase I is \$34,360 and an allowance of \$7,500 for additional water testing and Phase II is \$23,540 and that's a lump sum. Mr. Naiser can explain what all those entail much clearer than I can. Marcus Naiser of LNV, Incorporated stated the proposal as the City Manager stated is a 7 Phase approach. The first two phases are going to be collected data, go out to the system, take samples, observe the treatment, treatment techniques, operations of the plant, the infrastructure such as the storage tanks in town and basically try to identify issues that will improve or

reduce the disinfection bi products which HAA and TTHM is what you got the violation for. The second phase is coming up with recommendations that we provide a report to the city with our findings, with recommendations for improving the system, improving operational treatment techniques for taking care of disinfection bi products. With those we can potentially some projects that can be done in house or projects that may require some funding for additional improvements down the line but if the city is okay with those recommendations we put together a plan that we present to TCEQ then we resolve the violations that are requiring the notification every 90 days. That is basically the first two we are asking for action for on this proposal. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-11 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With LNV Engineering For Services For Water System Improvements Related To Treated Water Quality. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 additional information came to me today by way of email that you have been provided a copy of from E-Civis that was received today. In comparing the two proposals they are apples to oranges. There are several questions as I sat them down side by side that I could not answer for myself so I knew I couldn't answer your questions, therefore I respectfully request this be tabled for 60 days. The Mayor asked for a motion to table Item #12. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2015-12 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With A Grant Writing Company and to bring this item back to the City Council meeting in sixty days. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 in your packets you have a copy of the 2014 Racial Profiling Report. Every year state law required the Police Department to present this to you. This is not approving it, it is simply receiving the report which according to the report we are doing very well. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-13 Acknowledging Receipt of The Annual Racial Profiling Report from the Gonzales Police Department. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 this is consistent with what we had done last year. Texas Independence Relay is very pleased with Gonzales, and we are in the midst of negotiating a long term contract with them. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-14. Authorizing The Texas Independence Relay The Use Of Confederate Square On March 27, 2015 For The Independence Relay Social; The Consumption Of Alcoholic Beverages On March 27, 2015; The Temporary Closure Of The 400 Block Of Smith Street On March 27, 2015 And March 28, 2015 For The Relay. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that Ralph and he had met with Daniel Cossey the primary pilot for JM Oilfield, they would like to put a Jet A Fuel tank out at our airport for their use, however, involving Jackie and the other folks involved what they have allowed us to do is sell Jet A through our current point of sale. Daniel has an opportunity to purchase a fifteen thousand gallon tank and he needs to move very quickly. I think this is a win-win situation. It truly is a small look at public private partnerships. I think Flying C Aviation is thinking about moving their base of operations here for JM. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-15 Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Lease Agreement With Flying C Aviation To Install A Jet A Fuel Tank At The Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 stated the Girl Scout Troop 202 is asking to use Confederate Square on Valentine's Day for a drive thru cookie sale. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-16 Authorizing The Daisy Girl Scout Troop 202 The Use Of Confederate Square On February 14, 2015 From 10:00 A.M. To 4:00 P.M. For A Girl Scout Drive Thru Cookie Booth. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

ORDINANCES

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated it is time to call our election again. The May 9th Election will be for Single Member District 1, 2 and Proposition to Amend the City of Gonzales Charter. This is an annual requirement that the State has that you do and Ordinance Calling the election. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-1 Calling A City Election For May 9, 2015 For The Purpose Of Councilmember For Single Member District No. 1, Councilmember For Single Member District No. 2 And A Proposition To Amend The City Of Gonzales Charter; Designating The Polling Place Thereof; Providing For Early Voting. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #11, 12, and 13, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial, quarterly investment and the special contract report are available for the Council to review.

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the Police Department's 2014 Annual Report is available for Council's review.

Item #15, Tourism President, Barbara Crozier gave a detailed report of the Tourism's progress through the past year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #16, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session. At 7:02 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:12 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #17, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to give the City Manager a one-time salary increase of 3%. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". The motion passed by four and one.

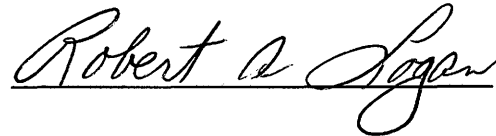
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Opiela seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 17, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 6:00 p.m., February 17, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

The following members were absent: Mayor Robert A. Logan

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

Staff Present: Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Pam Larison, Tim Patek

Mayor Pro-Tem Schurig called the meeting to order, gave an invocation and cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that Dennis Nesser is here as spokesperson of the Charter Review Commission and is here to present their recommendation. Mr. Nesser stated that the commission had a handful of recommendations. We would like to see every one of these to go to the ballot. We believe that we worked hard to eliminate the ones that don't belong on the ballot and the ideas that we put forth are changes that are needed to make our Charter up to date and bring it in to what this community needs. The Mayor Pro-Tem asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-17 Approving the Proposed City of Gonzales Charter Amendments and Submitting the Amendments to the Voters at the May 9, 2015 Election. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor Pro-Tem all voted "aye"

ORDINANCES

Item #2, City Attorney, Jackie Williamson stated that there is a correction to the Ordinance number, that it should be number 2 instead of number 1 as it is on the agenda. City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the sale of the bonds was negotiated today. I am very pleased to report that the interest rate on the bonds is 2.97. The bonds were sold at a premium so in order to net 3.3 million, our bond sale is 3.175 and again that is net 3.3 million. That includes all cost of issuance of the bonds including our financial advisors, bond attorneys, bond underwriters, rating agency and probably

several others that I am not thinking of right now. It is a 20 year note, however in this in this interest rate we purchased a 7 year call which means at the 7 year period we can pay the bonds off if the City is in a position to do that without penalty. Our annual payment is approximately \$230K which is considerably less than we had anticipated. Dusty and Bob Henderson are here to answer any question on the sale. Tom Spurgeon is here to answer any legal questions that you have. This is even a better bond package than the water plant was. Better rates, better return, better everything. Dusty Traylor added that the rate is 3.297 and that is with all costs, Bob and I have worked closely with Allen and Pam working through this transaction. Mr. Barnes also added included in those fees are the Attorney General fees related to the bond. The Mayor Pro-Tem asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-2 Authorizing The Issuance, Sale And Delivery Of Up To \$3,300,000 In Aggregate Principal Amount of "City Of Gonzales, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2015"; Securing the Payment Thereof By Authorizing the Levy of An Annual Ad Valorem Tax and a Pledge of Certain Surplus Revenues of the City's Water and Wastewater System; and Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, a Purchase Contract, an Official Statement and All Other Instruments and Procedures Related Thereto. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilmen Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor Pro-Tem all voted "aye".

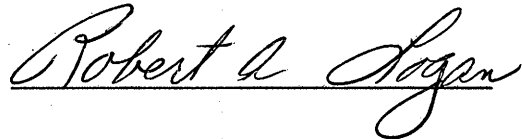
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 3, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., March 3, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Todd Remschel, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Patek, Tim Crow, Anne Dollery, Keith Schauer, Keith Schmidt

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ken Morrow, I am here representing the Tourism Board. There are two items before you on the agenda where recently the Tourism Board was asked to consider funding the Chamber of Commerce to bring in bigger name bands. The Tourism Committee unanimously voted in favor of authorizing \$20K to bring in bands for "Come & Take It" and for the Mainstreet celebration. Of course that lines up with Tourism bringing in people from out of town bringing in bands that bring their own crowds. The second item that was voted for in the Tourism meeting was for DVS Productions, where he promotes the bull riding events. He's done these for several times and had very positive results that he's bringing people to Gonzales that stay in hotels and enjoy the rodeo events. In both of those cases the Tourism board voted unanimously to support these two expenditures. I am here in case you have any questions during the meeting.

Robert Bland, I'm here on behalf of the "Come & Take It" committee where I serve as Co-Chairman and to follow up on Mr. Morrow's comments, we have asked for \$20K for our entertainment. That money will be coming from the HOT funds. Our plans this year is not only to get bigger name bands, but other types of entertainment. We see that there's a need for the "Come & Take It" celebration to provide other forms of entertainment such as magicians or dance teams. There are other things out there that we feel we can attract out of town people in and get them to stay. We've been making several changes as to how "Come & Take It" has been run over the years. One of the changes was moving the stage from underneath the tent to outside. This gave more access to the music. Also, we are looking at utilizing that stage on Sunday afternoon, maybe having some additional music or magician show up there. We are trying to get a more rounded festival, something we can promote regionally and have people come in,

spend the night and have a good wholesome time. With that, we just ask that you approve our \$20K request for entertainment, knowing that it's not just going to go to one big name artist, and that it will be spread out to get a well-rounded festival.

Tim Patek, I wanted to introduce to you if you don't already know her, our new arena operations manager at JB Wells, Anne Dollery and we are excited to have her and would like for her to come up to say a few words.

Anne Dollery, I am very excited to be here and hopefully we can get this thing going.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1 and 2, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 3, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting, and the February 17, 2015 Called City Council Meeting. Councilman Schroeder seconded it. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez. Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

PRESENTATION

Item #3, Jon Watson of BrooksCardiel, we are the independent audit firm for the City of Gonzales. I am here to go over the audit results for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2014. If you notice on the front page of the CAFR there is a certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting. The independent audit report we provided for a clean unmodified opinion. This is the highest level of assurance that you can receive, this states that we don't believe that there are any material errors in your financial statements. Total assets exceeded total liabilities by \$31,771,303. The City's total net position decreased by \$1,008,461, the City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$1,904,636, a decrease of \$1,146,951. The unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$1,355,823 or 17% of total general fund expenditures.

RESOLUTIONS

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated there are several vehicles included in the current budget. This year we went out for bids and compared the pricing with the Buy Board pricing. The bids came in about where we suspected and we obtained bids from Caraway, Benny Boyd, Gunn and Buy Board. State Law prescribes that you can give a 3% local premium to a local bidder. Staff respectfully recommends that we purchase the one ton truck for the fire department from Buy Board and the other trucks from Caraway Ford. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-18 Authorizing the Purchase of Vehicles Contained within the 2014-2015 Budget from Caraway Ford. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 March 17th is Gonzales County Day at the Capitol. Economic Development has rented a 55 passenger to transport Citizens to the event. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to

approve Resolution #2015-19 Supporting Gonzales County Day at the State Capitol on March 17, 2015. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 there is a list of 8 or 10 items that are no longer useful to the City of Gonzales and staff is requesting them to be placed on GovDeals as surplus to be sold. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-20 Declaring Property as surplus; approving the sale of surplus property. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 in 2009 Council passed a resolution that gave a License Agreement to Chad and Amanda Frederick but the couple is wishing to refinance their loan and will need another 31 year agreement to cover the time frame that they wish to refinance for the portion of the home that is encroaching on the unopened City Street. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-21 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a License Agreement between Chad and Amanda Frederick (Licensee) and the City of Gonzales (Licensor). Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #8, City Engineer, Keith Schauer stated basically what we are wanting to do is move funds from the Wastewater fund to the Water fund to include more water lines this Fiscal Year. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-22 Authorizing the Amending of the Capital Plan for Water/Wastewater Department for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that the State Senator Don Huffines has filed Senate Bill 343. SB 343 erodes the power of Home Rule cities. Under the bill city voters and locally elected officials would have to get the permission of the State Legislature in order to enact any local ordinance, rule, or regulation. The approval of this resolution would formally create the policy that the City of Gonzales desires to preserve its right to determine self-government without interference from the State of Texas. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-23 Opposing Senate Bill 343 and any other Legislation which would erode the Authority of a Home Rule Municipality; Finding Compliance with the Open Meetings Law. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that several bills have been introduced in both the State House and Senate that would severely restrict municipal governments from the ability to raise revenues generated by property taxes. While these bills may or may not have a direct impact on Gonzales at this time, there may be negative impact in the future. If these bills pass the economic future of all Texas cities will lie in the hands of local Councils. These bills will continue to erode the local control vested in Texas Home Rule Cities and will continue the Legislature's desire to require all Cities in Texas to become General Law Cities under the control of the State. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-24 Opposing a Revenue Cap and Legislative Interference with Local Services. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 this is an item that Mr. Morrow spoke about in Public Comments and is consistent with what has been done in the years passed. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-25 Approving the Recommendation of the Tourism Committee's Expenditure of up to \$5,000.00 for DVS Productions. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 Mr. Bland and Mr. Morrow spoke to this. They are talking about significant named people for entertainment at the "Come & Take It". That would account for \$15K of the amount and the other amount would be to bring in other entertainment to make it a more family friendly festival. This would come from Hotel Motel Tax and staff respectfully has no recommendation for this item. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-26 Approving the Recommendation of the Tourism Committee's Expenditure of up to \$20,000 for funding for advertising and promoting the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 is a strange request. We have had a request to use the Oak Forrest Bridge for a wedding and we have no policy in regards to reserving the bridge. We as staff saw we could do it as we do the pavilions for a fee and go through the Parks Department, do it on a case by case basis and have them fill out an event form and Council decide, or not rent it out at all. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-27 Authorizing the Reservation of the Oak Forrest Bridge at no charge. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that we are a 100% plan completion. The time schedule is, if you approve it tonight then it will go out to bid next week, bid would be opened on April 2nd awarded April 9th and the construction can be started hopefully May 1st and completed by hopefully December 1st so that we can get Christmas Parties

booked. Tim Gescheidle stated that the only things left to do are the finishing touches and should be able to get out to the printers this week. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-28 Approving the Design for the Expo Center at JB Wells Park and Gonzales Conference Center. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #15, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros stated that Donald Rihn applied for GEDC's Small Business Incentive Grant which was unanimously approved at the February 23, 2015 GEDC Board Meeting. The grant is for ingress/egress improvements and repairs to his building located at 521 St. Joseph Street. The SBIG will fund 50% of the work, on a reimbursement basis when invoices and proof of payment are submitted to GEDC. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-29 Approving the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's Small Business Incentive Grant to Donald Rihn. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #16, Gonzales Economic Development Director, Carolyn Gibson-Baros stated Chris Kappmeyer applied for GEDC's Small Business Incentive Grant which was unanimously approved at the February 23, 2015 GEDC Board Meeting. This grant is for improvements to the Gonzales Mansion/Venue located at 1520 St. Louis Street. Mr. Kappmeyer is adding a third A/C system in a "Museum Section", installing a fence on the property, creating additional parking, finishing out the basement to create a "Speak Easy", and purchasing tables and Chairs for events for 96 people. This will help enhance the property's ability to recruit more events and overnight guests. The SBIG will fund 50% of the work, on a reimbursement basis when invoices and proof of payment are submitted to GEDC. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-30 Approving the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation's Small Business Incentive Grant to Chris Kappmeyer. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 this is consistent with what they have requested in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-31 Authorizing the Sacred Heart Catholic Church to Hold It's Sacred Heart Festival on June 20, 2015 at 6:00 A.M. to June 21, 2015 at 1:00 A.M. and the Closure of St. John Street and St. Lawrence Street, St. St. John Street and St. Louis Street During the Event. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 is only a Resolution acknowledging receipt of the audit and that he presented it. There were no new findings, and we corrected everything from the previous year. This is our first year to achieve a no findings letter. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez

made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-32 Acknowledging the Receipt of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2014. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #19 and 20, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report and the special contract report are available for the Council to review.

Item #21, Mainstreet Chairman, John Pirkle gave a detailed verbal report of the Gonzales Mainstreet Advisory Board's progress through the past year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #22, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations. At 7:17 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

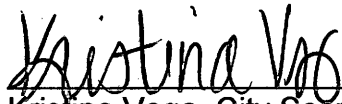
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 7:54 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #23, No motion was made resulting from Executive Session.

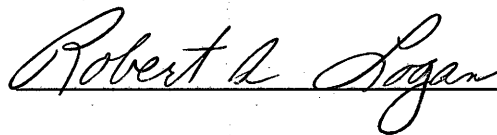
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Opiela seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED JOINT CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP WITH
GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MARCH 18, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their joint workshop with Economic Development at 6:15 p.m., March 18, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

The following member(s) were absent: Gary Schroeder

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

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 6:15 p.m.

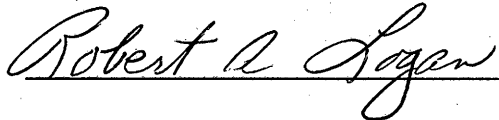
The City Council engaged in discussion with the Economic Development Corporation regarding the Long Range Plans for the City of Gonzales, Expo Center at JB Wells Park Project, Development of the Downtown Area, Industrial Development and Retail Recruitment.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion and the workshop adjourned at 8:11 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
MARCH 25, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their workshop meeting at 5:50 p.m., Wednesday March 25, 2015, at Sleep Inn and Suites located at 2138 Water Street, Gonzales, TX 78629

The following member(s) were present constituting a quorum: Mayor Robert A. Logan, Councilmen Tommy Schurig, Lorenzo Hernandez, and Clarence Opiela.

The following member(s) were absent: Gary Schroeder

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

Mayor Logan called the workshop to order at 5:50 p.m.

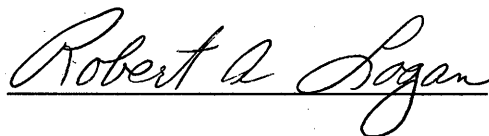
Mike Mowery of SGR Consultants facilitated the workshop to assist in discussing strategic plan for the City of Gonzales and the Gonzales Economic Development.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the workshop adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 7, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., April 7, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Barbara Friedrich, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Tim Patek, Todd Remschel, William Ince, James Conquest, Pam Larison, Keith Schauer, Anne Dollery, Tim Crow, Ralph Camarillo

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jay Howard, Texas Disposal Systems, we are couple months into the new operation and I wanted to take a few moments to let you know how things are going. We had a couple of minor issues we needed to take care of and we have been in close communication with City staff and things are going very very well. The key to keep things that way are to keep the line of communications open. I wanted to report on statistics from the recycling program. We were pleasantly surprised at how well the program is going. At first we were seeing a 9% diversion per week and it has grown to over 15% a week. We were able to divert over 25 tons from the land fill to recycling. We are seeing an increase every week and everyone is doing a wonderful job.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1, Early Citizen Input Regarding the Use of City Funds for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2015 and Ending September 30, 2016

Barbara Crozier gave a quick update on the first quarter of the Crystal Theatre.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #2, 3 and 4, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 3, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting, March 18, 2015 City Council Workshop with Economic Development Corporation Minutes, and the March 25, 2015 City Council Workshop with the Economic Development Corporation & SGR 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 #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that in your packet you have a copy of the proposed Budget Calendar. We started on March 27, and we are going to start meeting with staff about the budget requests. We are hoping to have the Budget ready for your approval by September the 1st. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-33 Approving the Budget Calendar for the Budget Period Beginning October 1, 2015 and Ending September 30, 2016. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 May 1st the Depository Agreement will expire, staff sent out for Requests for Proposals and had not received any back. Therefore, staff is recommending to extend the existing contract for two years with Sage Capital Bank. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-34 Authorizing the Extension of the Depository Agreement with Sage Capital Bank Dated May 4, 2012 for an Additional Two Years. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 we are respectfully requesting to submit a bid packet to keep the Texas Junior High Rodeo Finals here for another three years. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-35 Authorizing the City Manager to Submit the Texas Junior High Rodeo Association Finals Bid. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that recently we had two employees have extended absences and we have had several employees ask to donate to the coworkers. Human Resources came up with the policy in regards to donating the time. The proposed policy will be a max donation of 24 hours a year and the person receiving the donated time will not know where it came from. In order to donate you have to maintain balance of 40 hours of sick time, or vacation time. The receiving employee can only receive a total of 160 hours in a 1 year period. This policy is strictly a voluntary basis. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-36 Authorizing the Creation of a Leave Donation Policy. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that BrooksCardiel have been the auditors for the last three years. It is common practice to keep auditors for 6 years and then go out for bid. Staff is respectfully requesting to continue the contract for another 3 years. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve

between the Hours of 6:00 A.M. and 12 P.M Noon and the Temporary Closure of St. Lawrence and St. Louis Streets. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 this year's Mainstreet Summer Concert Series dates are June 5, 12, 19 and July 4, and this is consistent with what has been done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-43 Authorizing Gonzales Main Street The Use Of The Confederate Square On June 5, 2015, June 12, 2015, June 19, 2015 And June 26, 2015 For The 6th Annual Main Street Concert Series; The Use Of Confederate Square On July 4, 2014 For The Annual Star Spangled Spectacular; For The Temporary Closure Of St. George Street From St. Joseph Street To St. Paul Street, And St. Paul Street From St. George Street To St. Lawrence Street; The Temporary Closure Of The Brickyard Area At Independence Park; The Sale And Consumption Of Alcoholic Beverages On June 5th, June 12th, June 19th June 26th, And July 4th. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 year's Come & Take It celebration is on October 2, 3 and 4, and their requests are consistent with what has been done in the past The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-44 Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Certain City Streets on October 2nd, 3rd, and 4th for the Come & Take It Celebration, Authorizing the Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 Joel Gammage of Hat Rod Productions wants to hold a car show and is on June 6, 2015. They are anticipating 100-200 cars. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-45 Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Certain City Streets for Hat Rod Standoff Car Show and Concert on June 6, 2015. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 due to not having all of the information necessary to get all of the information I am requesting to table this item until Thursday April 9th. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2015-46 Awarding a Bid for the Construction of the J.B. Wells Park Expo Center; Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With Don Krueger Construction. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Resolution #2015-37 Authorizing the Extension of the Contract with BrooksCardiel, PLLC for Auditing Services for the City of Gonzales and the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that currently if the City Council misses three consecutive scheduled meetings you are subject to removal, the same with Economic Development. This resolution would say that that if a member of a board or commission has three consecutive absences or a number of absences of 50% over the period of a 12 month period; they are considered to be off the board or will be replaced on the board. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-38 Authorizing the Creation of a Policy Regarding Attendance to the City of Gonzales Boards and Commissions and Committees. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 it is time again to recruit workers for the Election to be held on May 9, 2015. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-39 Appointing Georgia Pavliska-Election Judge, David Dement-Alternate Judge and Jerome Pavliska, Jereline Clack as Clerks for the City General Election on May 9, 2015 and Kristina Vega-Early Voting Judge, Barbara Friedrich-Alternate Judge, and Laura Zendejas, Kristy Knippa and Angie Kessler as Early Voting Clerks. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 in January this item was tabled and we now have someone locally that expressed interest in this service. The Mayor asked for a motion. No motion was made. Resolution #2015-40 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement with a Grant Writing Company to be the Primary Consultant for Grants for the City of Gonzales died due to the lack of a motion.

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that May 5th is the last day of Early Voting and we will have to Canvass the Election in May therefore we are requesting to change the date of the May meeting to May 14th. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-41 Authorizing the Rescheduling of the May 5, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting to May 14, 2015. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye. Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

Item #14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated this is an annual event and is consistent with their needs in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-42 Authorizing the Catholic Community of Gonzales and Waelder to Hold a Running with Faith 5K Run/Walk on June 20, 2015

Robert A. Ligon

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 22, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:05 p.m., April 22, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Barbara Friedrich, Carolyn Gibson-Baros, Tim Patek, Todd Remschel, William Ince, James Conquest, Pam Larison, Anne Dollery, Tim Crow, Ralph Camarillo

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated as you are aware, several weeks ago we accepted bids as a response to our bid packets in response to our JB Wells Expo Center. The apparent low bid was from Don Krueger Construction with a base bid of \$3,595,000 which not only exceeded our construction budget but our entire budget for the process. Through several meetings, our committee which consisted of Councilman Opiela, Councilman Hernandez, Crissy O'Neal the President of the JB Wells Advisory Board, and Suzanne Sexton a member of the JB Wells Advisory Board. There were several items that have been value engineer out of the building/contract. The most significant savings is deleting the west parking lot. Changing the lighting from LED to Fluorescent/Incandescent, replacing stainless steel countertops with plastic laminate counter tops, changing the fan type, eliminating floor staining and replacing with commercial grade sealer to name a few. With all of these efforts they have found savings of \$680,532.00 when applied, which leaves a revised total of \$2,872,468.00 Councilman Schurig expressed his concern with having a limited number of women's restrooms. The City Architect Tim Gescheidle stated that the number of restrooms is set by Texas Accessibility Standards. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-47 Awarding a Bid for the Construction of the J.B. Wells Park Expo Center; Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into An Agreement With Don Krueger Construction Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item # 2, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that at the April 6, 2015 Gonzales Economic Development Corporation met. At that time they asked for the City Council to place the Economic Development Director to be placed back under the direction of the

City Manager. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-48 Authorizing the Placing of Position of Gonzales Economic Development Director Under the Direct Supervision of the City Manager. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 at the last regular City Council meeting the council did not take any action on this item. There has been more information supplied and is being re-presented to you. In the past, grant writers were compensated by administering the grants. It is pointed out to me that there is a professional organization that has come up with a Code of Ethics. Their code of ethics states that a Grant Writer should not be paid a percentage, because it creates a potential to falsify information in the grant simply to make more money. Once that was pointed out I reevaluated the proposals and the most reasonable proposal we got for a grant writer was from Mrs. Kacir, and that was in the amount of \$44,990.00 for 818 hours of grant writing. Mrs. Kacir has a very admirable record of achieving grants for her current employer. Staff respectfully recommends considering hiring Mrs. Kacir on a month to month basis in the amount of \$3,666.00. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-49 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement With Connie Kacir to be the Primary Consultant for Grant Writing Services. Councilman Schroeder 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 to adjourn and Councilman Opiela seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 14, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., April 14, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: James Conquest, Karla Faltisek, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Gary Shock, Anne Dollery, William Ince, Tim Patek, Tim Crow, Barbara Friedrich, Micaela Estrada, Keith Schauer, Keith Schmidt, Wade Zella

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Steve Hendershot, I am pleased you have given the public an opportunity to speak to you at this meeting. A couple of weeks ago the public was not given an opportunity to do so. Before that last meeting six members of the JB Wells Park Advisory Board asked me to speak on their position on one of the agenda items regarding moving forward with the JB Wells Park Expo Center, and that position was that 6 of the 9 members did not support the expo as it was presented to us and to you all. We feel like the facility that you all have decided on, fall short of the needs of the community. That being said you all have voted to move forward with the project. For the record those six people, Bryan Herndon, Wesley Caldwell, Kurt Trammel, myself, Kevin La Fleur and Dan Blakemore oppose that action you all took last week. However, with the inception of the park committee a year and a half ago, there were several postures that we endeavored to have presented to you all. One was that the insure that the changes and checks were made put in place that the park operate at a profitable position and not be a burden to the tax payers of the community, another thing we asked that soccer fields be built and that a rush be put on them so that the schools could use them and the kids play on April a year ago, another thing is the design of the expo center. We asked that it be designed such as it would attract more people to the park. I have a resignation of four of us off of that committee I would like for you to accept.

Ken Morrow, I am speaking on behalf of the members of the Tourism Board in regards to the meeting this morning. Coming up soon for review is Loretta Shirley's marketing services, she provides those to the City, Tourism Board and to the public at large. We feel that she is doing a good job in serving us and is extremely responsive with

everything we have given her.

PROCLAMATION

The Mayor signed a proclamation honoring the local police force for Police Week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1 and 2, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the April 7, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting and the April 22, 2015 Called City Council Meeting. 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 #3, City Manager, Allen Barnes requested this item be tabled until Tuesday May 19th. The voter registration office still has four provisional votes where the voters did not have photo ID. The voters have until close of business tomorrow to provide their ID in order for their votes to count. Although it would not change the outcome of the election it could change the numbers some, therefore in order to have an accurate canvass we do need to have all of the votes in and counted at the time of the canvass. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2015-50 Canvassing And Officially Declaring The Results Of The May 9, 2015 Election. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated this is consistent with what has been done in the past and staff respectfully requests the approval of this resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-51 Declaring Property as Surplus; Approving the Sale of Surplus Property. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #5, City Engineer, Keith Schauer stated that on April 16th we received bids for the 2015 Water/Wastewater Projects, to include upgrading a water line on Neuman Street from Patrick to Gardien, replacing a wastewater line on Patrick Street. We received bids and recommend we go with Rockin Q Construction, they were not the low bidder, but the current contractor that is replacing a water line on St. Vincent is the low bidder and our recent experience with them has been less than satisfactory. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-52 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into An Agreement With Rockin Q Construction, LLC. For the Replacement of Water and Wastewater Lines. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 during the budget process last year staff was instructed to go out for bid for marketing services, therefore we are requested direction from Council on this item. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-53 Authorizing the City Manager to Advertise for Request for Proposals for Marketing Services for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 Lisa Gindler would like to hold her son's wedding in their front yard located on Fair Street. She is requesting temporary closures for the ceremony to provide privacy for the event. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-54 Authorizing Bruce Gindler The Temporary Closure Of The 100 Block Of Fair Street And The 1700 Block Of St. Vincent Street On June 6, 2015 From 4:00 Pm To 9:00 Pm For Valet Parking During The Brent Gindler Wedding And Reception Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that the Mayor has explained the item thoroughly. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-55 Authorizing National Lifestyle Centers, Inc. The Use Of Texas Heroes' Square For The Come & Take It Swap Meet On June 27, 2015 From 7:00 A.M. To 8:00 P.M. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated he would like to table this item because we are about to go into a new budget and would like to include this item while we are preparing the upcoming budget. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to table Resolution #2015-56 Approving the Purchase and Installation of Radio Read Meters. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that the Gonzales Police Department and the Sheriff's Department are cooperating in unprecedented levels for search warrants and training but we currently do not have an interlocal agreement. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-57 Authorizing the City Manager and Chief of Police to Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement Between the Gonzales County Sheriff's Department and the Gonzales Police Department. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 the Estate of Ruby Kapavik and the Kapavik Family Trust are requesting a 99 year License Agreement for a portion of the

property that lies in an unopened city street. This is consistent with what we have done in the past therefore staff respectfully requests the approval of this resolution. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-58 Authorizing The City Manager To Execute A License Agreement Between The Estate Of Ruby Kapavik (Licensee) And The City Of Gonzales (Licensor). Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that the City is currently using the 2009 ICC codes and the 2011 Fire Code. Recently the Building Official underwent an ISO Audit and one of the issues raised by their auditor was that the building code we were using was five years old. There are a couple appendices in the energy code that we would like to exclude. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-3 Amending Gonzales Code Of Ordinances Article 3.200 Section 3.201 (A) (1-14) And Division 2 Section 3.511 to exclude the Electrical Code and Energy Code to remain in 2009. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 in 2012 we were looking at a proliferation of development and since then we all know what has happened to the oilfield, therefore we are not seeing the interest that we thought we would have from the developers. If the oilfield comes back, we may want to revisit this but at this point we would like to repeal the impact fee ordinance. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-4 Repealing Ordinance 2013-30 Regarding Impact Fees. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #14, and 15 City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report and the Special Contract Report are available for the Council to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #16, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. At 7:00 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 7:33 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

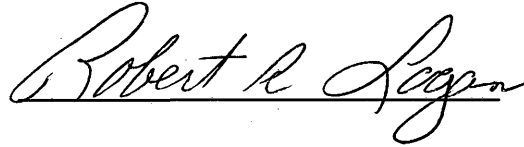
Item #17, No motion was made resulting from Executive Session.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.


Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 19, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 4:00 p.m., May 19, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

The following member was absent: Lorenzo Hernandez

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

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the numbers for the canvass were provided to the council for their review. Mayor Logan stated the totals as follows:

<u>Council District #1</u>		Early Voting	Election Day	Mail Ballots	Provisional	Total Votes
Mike Hanson		35	5			40
Gary A. Schroeder		85	35		1	121
<u>Council District #2</u>						
Johnny Ross Hunt		25	25	1		51
Tommy Schurig		26	26	7		59
	FOR	AGAINST			FOR	AGAINST
Proposition 1	239	38		Proposition 17	244	8
Proposition 2	247	45		Proposition 18	143	107
Proposition 3	268	26		Proposition 19	235	21
Proposition 4	229	61		Proposition 20	236	20
Proposition 5	222	64		Proposition 21	242	28
Proposition 6	276	21		Proposition 22	165	79
Proposition 7	251	38		Proposition 23	227	19
Proposition 8	272	26		Proposition 24	213	40
Proposition 9	235	46		Proposition 25	192	60
Proposition 10	224	30		Proposition 26	240	18
Proposition 11	226	36		Proposition 27	234	23
Proposition 12	200	54		Proposition 28	238	22
Proposition 13	227	31		Proposition 29	219	33
Proposition 14	240	17		Proposition 30	240	22
Proposition 15	233	32				
Proposition 16	242	18				

The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-59 Canvassing And Officially Declaring The Results Of The May 9, 2015 Election. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

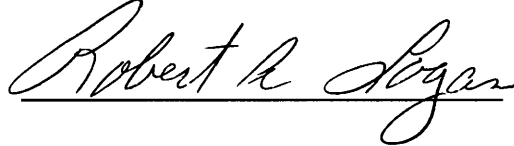
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Opiela seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Ryan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 2, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., June 2, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: James Conquest, Karla Faltisek, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Gary Shock, Anne Dollery, William Ince, Tim Patek, Tim Crow, Barbara Friedrich, Micaela Estrada, Keith Schauer, Keith Schmidt, Wade Zella

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

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, Swearing in Gary A. Schroeder as Council Member District #1

Item #2, Swearing in Tommy G. Schurig as Council Member District #2

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rick Green, showed a video clip of the project that is described in item #7, requesting funding from the Tourism Committee to be approved by council.

Sarah Loer, D'Anna Robinson, John Such, Jeffrey Seigel and Dale Schellenerg expressed their gratitude for the street paving and the placement of the stop signs on St. Vincent.

Anne Covert, wished not to speak at this time.

Allen Barnes, stated that he wished to remind everyone about the Groundbreaking at JB Wells Park for the Expo Center to be held on June 5th at 10 A.M., and to let everyone know that the remaining portion of St. Vincent should be paved in about four weeks.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3 and 4, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the May 14, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting and the May 19, 2015 Called City Council Meeting. 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 #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the City Secretary conducted a recount as requested by a candidate for office. The numbers for the initial count did not change therefore this item requires no action. No action was taken on Resolution #2015-60 Accepting the Official Canvass of the May 9, 2015 Election.

Item #6, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that City Charter requires the Council to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem to conduct the business in the absence of the Mayor. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-61 Appointing Gary A. Schroeder as Mayor Pro-Tem for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 the Tourism Committee met May 21st during a called meeting to discuss this item. During that meeting a vote was taken resulting in 5 votes approving this item and 1 against it. The one member against approving this item stated that they did not see how this puts "heads in beds". The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-62 Approving Gonzales Tourism Committee Recommendation to Fund up to \$25,000.00 to Authentic American History Productions, LLC for Chasing American Legends Episode about Gonzales and Gonzales Tourism Video. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 stated that several months ago we were approached by Fortner Enterprise to conduct a school for skydiving. We have not yet negotiated the contract, but wanted to gain direction from the council. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-63 Authorizing Fortner Enterprise, LLC. to Conduct Skydiving at Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that Mr. Green approached me prior to the meeting to request this item be withdrawn at this time. Resolution #2015-64 Authorizing National Lifestyle Centers, Inc to Hold the Come & Take It Swap Meet on the Texas Heroes Square on the Third Saturday of Each Month was withdrawn due to the request of Mr. Green.

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the Gonzales Health Clinic would like to hold their Health Clinic on June 13th and would like to close 228 and 229 St. George for their event and would like barricades to close that portion of the street. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-65 Authorizing the Temporary Street Closures for the 2015 Gonzales Spring

Health Festival on June 13, 2015. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report is available for the Council to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #12, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. At 6:41 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session after a five minute recess. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

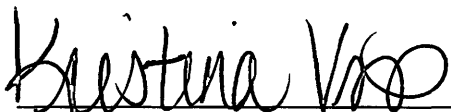
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 7:07 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #13, No motion was made resulting from Executive Session.

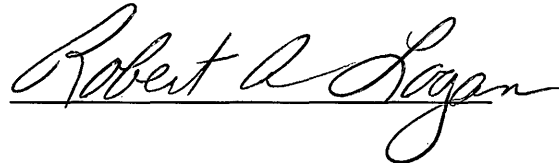
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:08p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Sagan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 7, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., July 7, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: William Ince, Todd Remschel, Tim Patek, Barbara Friedrich, James Conquest, Carla Faltisek, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Gayle Autry, Manny Longoria, Micaela Estrada

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daisy Scheske, Gonzales Chamber of Commerce, and stated recently attended the Chamber of Commerce Executive Annual Conference in Frisco, and is happy to report Gonzales Chamber of Commerce placed 1st in state for social media for the second year in a row. The Chamber also placed 1st in state for Chamber marketing campaigns, and is presenting those two awards to the Council because the Chamber feels the awards must be shared because without the Council's support they would not be able to achieve those accomplishments.

Robert Bland, stated he was speaking on behalf of Item #5 on the agenda, regarding the request from Come & Take It Committee for the \$6K worth of funding for advertising. This item comes before the Council as a recommendation from the Tourism Committee in support of funding for advertising to the Come & Take It Committee to bring in more rounded entertainment for the upcoming Come & Take It Celebration.

Barbara Crozier, Tourism Advisory Committee, stated she was available for any questions regarding the Chamber's request for funding. Secondly she offered a report on the marketing and progress for the Crystal Theater.

Allen Barnes, City Manager, presented the City Seal to the Council from Datteln, Germany. He expressed the possibility of a longer term relationship with Datteln, whether it results in a formal "sister city" partnership or an informal partnership. We do not know at this time, or may not know for some time.

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 4, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., August 4, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: William Ince, Pam Larison, Anne Dollery, James Conquest, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Tim Crow, Keith Schmidt, Keith Schauer, Tim Patek, Gary Shock

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maximiliano Moreno stated on April 18th of this year he conducted his Eagle Scout Project for Boy Scouts Troop 262 at the Lions Park. The project consisted of replacing broken parks and removing graffiti from the playground equipment. The work totaled 136 hours and included 27 volunteers. He expressed he worked closely with Tim Patek for parts and equipment. This project saved the City approximately \$1,500 and three weeks of labor for City employees.

Dennis Nesser stated that there is another project that the Council will hear about during next month's meeting, and that is the bridges on St. Lawrence and St. Vincent that is in some much needed attention. There are four other boys working with Tim Patek and Todd Remschel for upcoming projects and these projects will also save the City tax dollars for labor. These projects go along with the GEDC's direction of beautification and quality of life.

Carney Zambrano expressed his concern about the charges and rates on utility bills. He asked that Council revisit the 10 day grace period with the 10% fee and \$50 reconnect fee. He stated that these increased fees make it hard for some people if they are single parents or have different stressful financial situations.

Marlene Metzler-Owner of Running M since 2011. She expressed that the restaurant has been a successful venue, has 33 employees, and is the #7 bar in the San Antonio area. If the sound level is changed then it would make it hard for her business. She is encouraging the City Council not to change the levels.

best fit for the position. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-76 Accepting the Marketing Requests for Proposal and Entering into an Agreement with Holt Marketing as the Marketing Consultant for Marketing Services for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 that Mr. Bland presented a compelling argument regarding the location for takeoff and landing for the helicopter rides for Come & Take It. The best location for this to take place would be the practice field by the Apache Field; this allows the parking and the landing space that is needed. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-77 Permitting the Chamber of Commerce and the Come & Take It Committee to use City owned Property from which to launch and land helicopter rides at the Come & Take It Celebration. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder all voted "aye." Councilman Schurig and the Mayor both voted "nay."

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes that the excessive flood waters during the flood over the Memorial Day weekend (May 24th and 25th) caused the manhole just upstream of the wastewater treatment plant to collapse. All of the wastewater from the City of Gonzales passes through this manhole. Wastewater is continuing to flow through the base of the old manhole; however, the structural integrity of the manhole has been severely compromised, and it is unstable and needs to be replaced as soon as possible. This project will expend \$49,995.00 on the replacement of the manhole structure. In addition, a contingency of \$10,000 is being requested to provide additional pumping and shoring in the event excessive ground water is encountered during the excavation and installation of the manhole structure. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-78 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Rockin Q Construction for the Manhole Repair at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 the properties located at 1011 Cuero, 1015 Cuero, 1000 Blk Cuero with legal descriptions of 0.666 acre more or less situated in the Lot 3 Tier 2 Addition East of Water Street an addition to the Town of Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas is being offered for re-sale. Judgment on the property was rendered on October 29, 2014, and the original tax sale date of this property is 7/7/15. The Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector has an adjudged value of \$23,680.00. The current value of the property is \$27,290.00. The amount of the bid that was submitted was \$11,988.94. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez

made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-79 Approving the Tax Resale of Properties located at 1011 Cuero, 1015 Cuero and the 1000 Block of Cuero. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 the property located at Johnson/Burchard with legal description of Lot 6 Block 2 Ewing's Second Addition, an addition to the City of Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas. As described in Volume 712 Page 190, Official Records of Gonzales County, Texas, is being offered for re-sale. Judgment on the property was rendered on October 29, 2014, and the original tax sale date of this property is 7/7/15. The Gonzales County Tax Assessor-Collector has an adjudged value of \$2,450.00. The current value of the property is \$2,450.00. The amount of the bid that was submitted was \$1,300.00. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-80 Approving the Tax Resale of Property Located at Johnson/Burchard. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 In June 2012, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued new pension accounting standards that will have a significant impact on TMRS and participating municipalities. GASB Statement No. 68 (GASB 68) "*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*" will impact the financial reporting requirements for all TMRS participating municipalities. To comply with GASB 68, cities will now be required to record a net pension liability (NPL) and pension expense in their financial statements. TMRS has determined that as a System, we need to provide assurances to your city/external auditors about the processes and controls in place at TMRS. As such, TMRS will be undergoing a detailed process and controls audit during 2014, resulting in a SOC-1 Type 2 report that you can provide to your auditor. The adoption of the TMRS SOC-1 Entity Controls is just to recognize that the City of Gonzales has been practicing internal controls and will continue to do so. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-81 Adopting TMRS SOC-1 Entity Controls. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that when the JB Wells Park Advisory Board was created it was done so with nine members. The board is requesting to decrease that number to 7 members. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-82 Amending the number of members on the JB Wells Park Advisory Board. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that Mr. Bill Keck has offered his letter of resignation for the GEDC. We have received two applications from members of the community that wish to serve on the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. The applicants are Hector Porras, Brandy Egger and Mike Hanson. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-83 Appointing Hector Porras to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye. Councilman Schurig voted "nay".

Item #10, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated there are two openings on the JB Wells Park Advisory Board. Applications were received from Sherri Hooper, WR Low and Mike Hanson. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-84 Appointing WR Low and Sherri Hooper to the JB Wells Park Advisory Board. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 Wendy Kirby with GrantWorks, Inc. is working with Judge Bird and the County Commissioners on updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan. We currently are a participant in the existing plan. If we partner with the County, City of Nixon and the City of Waelder in the updated plan, we will be able to submit applications for Hazard Mitigation funding. The grant is \$86,000 with a 25% match. The City's financial responsibility will be \$5416. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-85 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Gonzales County for a Hazard Mitigation Plan. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

Item #12, City Attorney, Jackie Williamson stated that Ms. Dement has requested this license agreement because .02, .04 of an acre of the driveway encroaches a portion of an unopened city street. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-86 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a 31 Year License Agreement with Anita Dement. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 The Exposition Center at J.B. Wells Park is currently under construction. Current fire code requires this new facility to be equipped

with an automatic fire sprinkler system. The current water supply system at the park does not have sufficient flow and pressure to meet the required fire flow demand of the fire sprinkler system. It is being recommended that an agreement be entered into with Gonzales County Water Supply Corporation (GCWSC) to make a connection between GCWSC's system and the City's system. The two systems will be separated by an automatic pressure valve that will remain closed until such time as a fire flow demand is placed on the City's system at J.B. Wells Park. Under fire flow conditions GCWSC's system will serve to back feed the City's system to boost the flow and pressure needed to serve the fire sprinkler system. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-87 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Gonzales County Water Supply Corporation (GCWSC) to Make a Connection between GCWSC's System and the City's System. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated The Gonzales Fire Department had a fire truck that was involved in an accident on November 29, 2014. We received \$ 79,500.00 from TML as this vehicle was a total loss. We also received a grant from the Texas Forest Service for \$ 120,500.00. The additional \$ 40,000.00 is in next year's budget and will give us a total of \$ 240,000.00 to purchase a replacement tender. The Gonzales Volunteer Fire Department is making a donation to the City of Gonzales for the additional monies needed to purchase this tender. We are expecting this truck to be delivered to us mid November 2015. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-88 Authorizing the Purchase of a New FXP Tanker Fire Truck for the Gonzales Fire Department. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 this is just a presentation of the 2015 Governing Body Summary #1B. Council must choose a tax rate to be placed on the agenda for September 1, 2015. If the Council so chooses to go with the Rollback Rate; two public hearing will need to be scheduled at this time. If the Council chooses to go with the Effective Rate, an ordinance will be placed in the September 1st agenda and no further action is required. When a proposed tax rate exceeds the rollback rate or the effective rate, whichever is lower, the taxing unit's governing body must vote to place a proposal to adopt a rate on the agenda of a future meeting as an action item. This vote must be recorded. The proposal must specify the desired rate. A unit cannot vote to adopt a proposal to increase taxes by an unspecified amount. Two public hearings must be scheduled to increase a tax rate above the effective rate. Tonight you are not being asked to set the tax rate, but asking direction of the Council. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-89 Establishing the Maximum 2015-2016 Ad Valorem Tax Rate of \$0.1595. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 it is now time to select colors for the interior and exterior of the Expo at JB Wells Park and staff is seeking direction as to what colors the Council would like to select. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-90 Authorizing the City Manager to Move Forward with the Design Direction for the Interior and Exterior of the JB Wells Expo Center, and selecting cocoa brown for the interior and fern green and solar white for the exterior. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #17 and 18, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report and Special Contracts are available for the Council to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #19, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.072 Personnel, Annual Evaluation of the City Manager. At 7:45 p.m. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to move into Executive Session after a ten minute recess. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 9:05 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #20, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session. Councilman Schroeder made motion to authorize a 5% one-time salary adjustment to the City Manager's salary. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

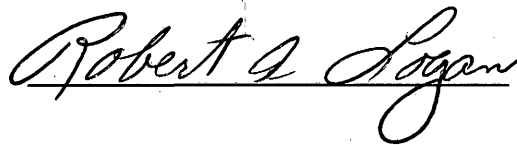
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 11, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 6:00 p.m., August 11, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Others Absent: City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: William Ince, Pam Larison, Anne Dollery, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Tim Crow, Keith Schmidt, Keith Schauer, Tim Patek, Gary Shock, Marland Mercer, Manny Longoria, Caroline Helms, Megan O'Neal

RESOLUTIONS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that on August 16, 2011, September 26, 2011 and May 1, 2012 the City entered into agreements with AvTech Oil and Gas, LLC for the lease of mineral rights on property owned by the City of Gonzales. A total of 947 acres were leased in the three agreements. The agreement was extended for a one year period last year. The Principals of AvTech Oil and Gas have met with staff and expressed their desire to enter into an agreement that would extend the lease for one year and have two one year options. The amount of the lease is proposed to be tied to the West Texas Intermediate Crude Prices as reflected in the Flint Hills Resources EDQ average posted for the month of June each year of the agreement. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-91 Extending the Mineral Lease of a Total of 947 Acres to AvTech for one year with two one year option Periods. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

ORDINANCES

Item #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated annually the City of Gonzales must replace the prior year's Ordinance and correct the Tax Rate levied for the fiscal year upcoming. This Ordinance will provide for publication and a severability clause; and provide for an effective date. On August 11, 2015 the City Council of the City of Gonzales approved the Effective Tax Rate of 0.1595 for the Fiscal year 2015-16. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-5 Fixing and Levying a Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2015 Ending September 30, 2016. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for

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

OTHER BUSINESS-WORKSHOP

Item #3, City Manager, Allen Barnes opened the workshop session to discuss the proposed City of Gonzales Budget for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2015 and Ending September 30, 2016. The Mayor and Council wished to go over the proposed budget page by page to express any questions or concerns they may have with the proposed budget.

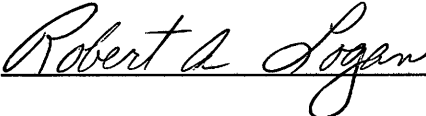
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
August 12, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 6:00 p.m., August 12, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: William Ince, Pam Larison, Anne Dollery, Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Tim Crow, Keith Schmidt, Keith Schauer, Tim Patek, Gary Shock, Marland Mercer, Manny Longoria, Caroline Helms, Megan O'Neal

OTHER BUSINESS

Item #1, City Manager, Allen Barnes opened the workshop session to discuss the proposed City of Gonzales Budget for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2015 and Ending September 30, 2016. The Mayor and Council wished to go over the proposed budget page by page to express any questions or concerns they may have with the proposed budget.

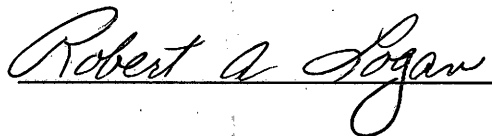
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 1, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., September 1, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Others Absent: City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Todd Remschel, Carla Faltisek, Ralph Camarillo, Robert Miller, Keith Schmidt, James Conquest, William Ince, Barbara Friedrich, Tim Crow, Tim Patek, Megan O'Neal

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, Father Randy Melton of the Episcopal Church of the Messiah gave the invocation and Mayor Logan cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Valerie Reddell-Editor/Publisher of the Gonzales Inquirer stated I am here to speak on item number sixteen on the agenda and am respectfully requesting the council to choose the Inquirer as the paper of record. My co-workers and I are devoted to making this community an even greater place for their families to make home. I have worked in community newspapers for over 30 years to tell the stories of our community to everyone in our community. We are a family owned business. We shop here, volunteer here, and vote here. We are proud to be the custodians of 162 years of Gonzales history, and we will continue to tell the story of this community for another 162, and I would be happy to answer any questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1, 2, & 3, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the August 4, 11 and 12 City Council Meetings. 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 the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation has three members who have terms that will end on September 30, 2015 and have requested in writing to be reappointed to the Gonzales EDC for another two

year term, those members are Crissy O'Neal, Dennis Nesser, and Larry Wehde. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-92 Approving the Reappointments of Crissy O'Neal, Dennis Nesser, Larry Wehde to the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 the Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board wishes to submit the following for reappointments as directors to the Main Street Advisory Board: Brandy Egger, Carlos Camarillo, Debbie Toliver, Sherri Schellenberg, Del De Los Santos and Diane McCaskill. Due to the resignation of Susan Weber, there is one position available to complete the term from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016. Letters requesting reappointment to the Main Street Advisory Board have been submitted. Positions were advertised in the newspaper of record during the month of August. One application was submitted by John Boothe. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-93 Approving the Reappointment of Brandy Egger, Carlos Camarillo, Debbie Toliver, Sherri Schellenberg, Del De Los Santos and Diane McCaskill and Appointing John Boothe to the Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder all voted "aye." Councilman Schurig and the Mayor both voted "nay."

Item #6, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated the Planning & Zoning Commission has three members who have requested to be reappointed and one opening on the board. Charles Patterson, Tim Gescheidle and Roland Martinez have all submitted letters requesting to be reappointed for another two year term. The open position was advertised in the newspaper of record for the month of August and no applications were received. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-94 Approving the Reappointment of Charles Patterson, Tim Gescheidle, Roland Martinez and Appointing Hector Porras to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye." Councilman Schurig voted "nay".

Item #7, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated the Zoning Board of Adjustment & Sign Control Board has four members that are up for reappointment. Kenneth Moore, Vicki Frenzel, Manuel Pena Jr. and Ray Raley have terms that are expiring on September 30, 2015 and have requested in writing interest in being reappointed for another two year term. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-95 Approving the Reappointment of Kenneth Moore, Vicki Frenzel, Manuel Pena Jr. and Ray Raley to the Zoning Board of Adjustment & Sign Control Board. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 stated the Gonzales Tourism Committee has three members who have requested to be reappointed to the Gonzales Tourism Committee. Barbara Crozier, Dawn O'Donnell and Paul Frenzel have terms that will be expiring on September 30, 2015 and have expressed in writing the desire to continue to serve for another two year term. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-96 Approving the Reappointment of Barbara Crozier, Dawn O'Donnell and Paul Frenzel to the Gonzales Tourism Committee. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated the JB Wells Park Advisory Board has three members that have requested to be reappointed to the board, and one member wishing to resign at the end of their term on September 30, 2015. Crissy O'Neal, Suzanne Sexton and Kevin LaFleur have submitted letters wishing to continue to serve on the board, and Jesse Elizondo has provided City Staff with a letter of resignation effective at the end of his term. The open position was advertised in the newspaper of record for the month of August, and two applications to serve on the board were received. The applications to serve were submitted from Tracy Machart and Mike Hanson. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-97 Approving the Reappointment of Crissy O'Neal, Suzanne Sexton, Kevin LaFleur and Appointing Tracy Machart to the J.B. Wells Park Advisory Board. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated the Golf Course Advisory Board has four members that have requested to be reappointed for another two year term. Letters were received from Erwin Ckudre, Jon Such, Doyle Allen and Ryan Atkinson. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-98 Approving the Reappointment of Erwin Ckudre, Jon Such, Doyle Allen and Ryan Atkinson to the Gonzales Golf Course Advisory Board. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 the Library Board has four members that have requested in writing the desire to continue to serve on the board. Letters were received from Noell Ince, Erwin Ckudre, Martha Jo Whitt and Vicki Frenzel. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-99 Approving the Reappointment of Noell Ince, Erwin Ckudre, Martha Jo Whitt and Vicki Frenzel to the Gonzales Public Library Board. Councilman Opiela seconded

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

Item #12, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that staff researched other facilities in the area and are suggested to set the rates to rent the expo at JB Wells Park to Monday - Thursday \$750.00 /day - nonprofit \$500.00/day, Friday \$1,000.00/day - nonprofit \$750.00/day, Saturday \$1,500.00/day - nonprofit \$1,000.00/day, Sunday \$1,000.00/day - nonprofit \$750.00/day, Weekend Pkg (Fri- Sun) \$3,250.00 - nonprofit \$2,250.00, 4-H, FFA, School Organization \$250 on week days. Decorating the day before an event and/or cleaning up the day after \$100.00/ (before and/or after) Deposit for holding date will be half of charge - will be refunded after inspection of property following event. Non-refundable if cancel date. Clean up fee (optional - if you want us to clean up) \$400. Non Profit would have to show proof of holding a 501c3 permit. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-100 Setting the Fees for Rental of the Expo at JB Wells Park. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 he does not know if the prices at JB Wells Park have ever gone up but staff is suggesting the rates to be raised for the week day rental from \$325 for \$375, weekend rental from \$425 to \$500 for the first day and \$450 for the 2nd and 3rd day, daily practice per horse from \$10 to \$20, and daily practice in the outdoor arena from nothing to \$10 per horse. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-101 Setting the Fees for Rental of the JB Wells Park Arena. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated that there are several items to be declared surplus and are listed for your approval. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-102 Declaring Certain City Property as Surplus. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 Engine 33 is going to be replaced with the new truck. Chief Schmidt has been in contact with a few local Fire Departments and they have expressed the interest in purchasing the fire truck for use in their community. Staff is requested Council approve declaring the fire truck as surplus and allow staff to sell this truck to another local fire department. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-103 Declaring Fire Engine 33 as Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of Said Property to the Smiley Fire

Department in the Amount of \$20K. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 it is time again to select the newspaper of record. Proposals were submitted by the Gonzales Cannon and The Gonzales Inquirer. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-104 Appointing the Gonzales Cannon as the City of Gonzales' Official Newspaper of Record. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 The solicitation for hay baling services was advertised for two consecutive weeks for the baling of hay at JB Wells Park. The hay proposals will be opened on Friday, August 28th at 3:00 p.m. This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the high bidder for the City Council's choice for hay at JB Wells Park. This agreement is only effective for hay during the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year. Hay baling bids were received from E. Brothers LLC in the amount of \$10.10 per bale and Ronald Barborak in the amount of \$6.00 per bale. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-105 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with E. Brothers LLC for the Hay Baling at JB Wells Park. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 The solicitation for hay baling services was advertised for two consecutive weeks for the baling of hay at the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. There are approximately five (5) acres that will need to be cut and baled by the individual selected. The hay proposals will be opened on Friday, August 28th at 3:00 p.m. This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the high bidder for the City Council's choice for hay at the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. This agreement is only effective for hay during the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year. Two bids were received, one from E Brothers LLC for \$5.00 per bale and Ronald Barborak for \$2.00 per bale. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-106 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with E. Brothers LLC for the Hay Baling at the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 stated that the First Shot Cook Off and Gonzales Junior High Athletics are holding another color run like they did last year. The event was well attended and an overwhelming success. The Mayor asked for a motion.

Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-107 Authorizing the First Shot Cook Off and Gonzales Junior High Athletics to Hold the First Shot Color Run on September 19, 2015. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

Item #20, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated this is an annual request that the Community Health Clinic submits. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-108 Authorizing the Temporary Street Closures for the 28th Annual Health Fair/Breast Cancer Awareness Fair on October 10, 2015. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

ORDINANCES

Item #21, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated he is pleased to present to the Council the 2015-2016 operating budget. The only change that I am requesting is an increase of \$10k in the EDC budget. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-6 Approving the Proposed 2015-2016 Operating Budget for the City of Gonzales and the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016 and Appropriating and Allocating the Funds for Said Budget. This Ordinance will renew the City's Financial Policy, Investment Policy, and Budget Contingency Plan. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #22, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial report is available for the Council to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #23, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. At 6:42 p.m. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to move into Executive Session after a short recess. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

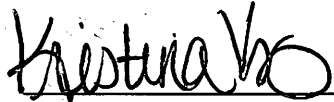
At 7:43 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #24, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session. Councilman Opiela made motion to proceed with review of the contract and possible negotiation of the mentioned property contingent on what was said in Executive Session. City Manager, Allen Barnes clarified the motion as motion to proceed to pursue a contract for a piece of property we discussed in Executive Session contingent upon review of the issues we talked about in Executive Session. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder

and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

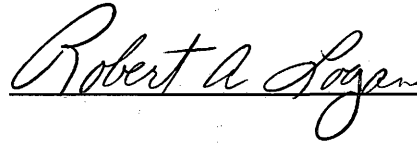
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 15, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 6:00 p.m., September 15, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Barbara Friedrich, Ralph Camarillo, Tim Crow

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC HEARING

Item #1, Citizen Input Regarding the City of Gonzales Noise Ordinance

Reba Bully, Steve Fisher James McMains, Marlene Metzler, Shawn Malatek Susanna Spiller, Alex Trevors, Jessica Stewart, Mary Bren, Gabe Gallardo, Tony Powers Scott Cuvelier each expressed concerns with lowering the decibel level that the sound is measured by, and that it will result in a loss of revenue for the local restaurants and outdoor venues.

David Luedecke, Ronda Miller, George Flores, Bill Cole expressed concerns that the decibel levels are too high for the residential properties that surround the restaurants and outdoor venues.

Daisy Scheske, Robert Bland expressed their desires for the Noise Ordinance to stay the same for the special events such as Come & Take It and the Summer Concert Series.

Dee Sengelmann expressed her interest in the community finding an acceptable solution for the community.

OTHER BUSINESS-WORKSHOP

Item #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes opened the workshop session to discuss the City of Gonzales Noise Ordinance. The Council entertained the idea of creating a committee to discuss the ordinance. The decision was made to not create a committee and to make a decision regarding the noise ordinance at the October 6, 2015 City Council Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #3, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. At 7:07 p.m. Councilman Opiela made a motion to move into Executive Session after a short recess. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

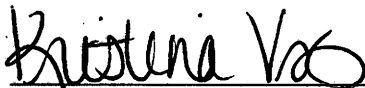
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 8:02 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #4, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session. Councilman Opiela made motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a donation and to negotiate and execute a contract for the purchase of a new library as stated as the old Wells Fargo building at 301 St. Joseph with the donated funds, contingent upon the City and the donor reaching an agreement on the operation and receipt of the funds. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

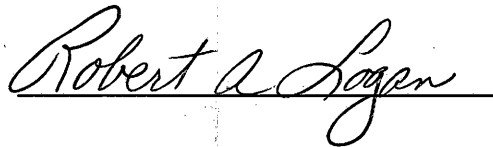
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 6, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., October 6, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Others Absent: City Attorney-Jackie Williamson

Staff Present: Keith Schmidt, Pam Larison, Ralph Camarillo, Genora Young, Barbara Friedrich, Anne Dollery, Tim Crow, Tammy West, James Conquest

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, Deacon Terry Brennan of the Catholic Community of Gonzales gave the invocation and Mayor Logan cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robert Bland, on behalf of the Gonzales Come & Take It Committee and the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the City of Gonzales, Mayor, Council, City Manager and all City Employees for making the Come & Take It Celebration if not the best ever one of the best ever. We had a record breaking year in ticket, beer and food sales. The helicopter pilot came in and said this was one of the best celebrations he's been to, both in financial standpoint and the people he was working with. People from all over the area came and had a great time.

Mike Hanson stated, we just had Come & Take It and it was a big celebration downtown. The City always hangs their hat on Come & Take It. The Mayor is even promoting it down in Mexico and flying a flag on a boat down in Mexico. Some say we didn't like the Mexican government then in our business, stealing our personal property, this and that, and that's why we fought and got our own local government. That's why I am here to tell you and the public and I am going to hold y'all personally responsible, Mayor, when something happens, when somebody gets killed or hurt. We are going to hold you responsible after tonight because you are going to be informed. We want to keep our local police officers/peace officers and our Sheriffs local, locally controlled. A lot of y'all didn't know, you are going to find it very interesting that in the last year our police department has been taken over by the ATF, the DEA, and God knows what else, because it's secret. You can't find anything out! You got newspapers here, you got two newspapers in Gonzales, and you can't get a dern word out of 'em. This lady over here, she won't print the story because my name's associated with it. You got

the....that's the Cannon. The Gonzales Inquirer will not do it because she's scared to...she's scared of the ATF and the DEA. Well I'm not! I confronted them the other day. We got un-announced people coming into town. Secret Police. The Police Chief is denying that this is all going on. I put an Open Request Act. You know about it Jackie, you denied it! They won't admit nothing. They're lying about it. You got black ski masked thugs running around that will not identify themselves whatsoever. They're stealing people's personal property, their money, the cars! They call it assets forfeiture seizures and they are giving the Police Department some of it...the FEDs. We need to stop this! They are killing our local dogs, they're breaking out windows and doors on private property, and they are putting guns to children's heads, they are putting grenades in people's windows and most of all they are breaking the Texas Bill of Rights. I'm trying to get through this...we got eight people if we need more time. I confronted the ATF when they were in town, and we have it on....since we cannot get a damn thing out of these two newspapers, no stories in the last year on this that the FEDs have taken over our government, our police, we have to resort to putting this stuff on YouTube to get our own media out in this town, because we have no time whatsoever.

Mayor Logan, "Thank you Mr. Hanson your time is up."

Mike Hanson, "We've got another person, I'm not through, we got people signed in."

Mayor Logan, "Yes you are."

Mike Hanson, "No I am not!"

Mayor Logan, "Oh yes you are."

Mike Hanson, "We got eight people signed up. If you can't do your job, you need to get out! Mayor, you knew about this three months ago when I told you about the black ski masks. You said you would not....you said you would not....you said you would not....you said you would not do anything about it, you didn't care they were doing this in our town. You told me this on the phone!"

Chief Crow, "Put your hands behind you, you are under arrest."

Mike Hanson, "No I will not be under arrest."

Chief Crow, "Yes you are".

Mike Hanson, "Try It! They do not want this out in this town! Look at what he's doing! He's been taken over by the FEDs and they know it! Here, make sure you get it all out, here take my notes and get it all out! You already said Jackie, that we could have all our time with eight people. Tell him Jackie before he makes a mistake he don't want to because he's going to get sued for false arrest!"

City Attorney, Jackie Williamson stated "Each person is entitled to....."

Mike Hanson interrupted saying "No! That's not what you just said!"

John Smith, name was called, was not present to speak.

Ed Wilke, name was called, was not present to speak.

Marlene Metzler, Owner of Running M Bar & Grill, stated "I am sure you guys have already made your decision about the decibel level but I have a list of people that have been in her place that are concerned about lowering of the level. They may not be tax payers but they are spending their money in downtown Gonzales I honestly don't expect you to raise it to 80 or 85 but if you lower it, you might as well shut down the live venues. Something that I would like the neighbors to know is that I did get a permit from the City for my patio. I do try to keep the adjoining properties, including the church parking lot clean. I try to be a good neighbor. I have never done anything intentionally to my neighbors to harm them or aggravate them in any way. I can honestly sleep at night knowing that I have never harassed them in their homes.

Dennis Nesser stated I would like to talk about item # 11 for a minute. I have been to exactly one live music venue since they opened downtown and that was at Templin's. We walked around and the noise level there was within standards, you could not hear from the front steps of the Templin. This weekend I was sitting with the City Manager and we were at 95 dB at the Come & Take It, and people were having a great time. Now I understand that there are people that are against and for it, but I think there has got to be some compromise in the middle. I think if you put some sound proofing behind where the stages are, come up with some reasonable numbers that this can all work out for everybody. Right now all I can hear is, this is an either or. I spent four months on a committee that you guys appointed me on to work out and come up with some compromises that will work for our Charter. Four months we had people that are very strong willed came to compromises. I don't understand why we can't have the citizens of this community come together and come up with a realistic plan so that the citizens and the businesses can work together. I don't want to hear that we are going to lower our noise level with nothing else. There are other ways to do this. Let's please when we get to item #11 come up with a reasonable situation that we can continue to have live music. I am on the GEDC board and we are begging people to come to town and then you are going to say let's cut this out.

John Williams, name was called, was not present to speak.

Tony Castillo, name was called, was not present to speak.

Joseph Ramos, name was called, was not present to speak.

Marti Martinez, I have been a local musician here for twenty one years and play a lot, and the noise ordinance, please pay careful consideration to it. Every time I played at the Running M, they never called the cops on us, because a lot of people have subwoofers and they will rattle your windows. We do not use subwoofers so we don't

have that problem of the music being too loud.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1, & 2, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 1, 2015 and September 15, 2015 City Council Meetings. 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 #3, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated each taxing unit may nominate one candidate for each position to be filled on the board of directors. Each taxing unit may nominate one to five candidates. Each entity has a percentage of calculated voting entitlements for a total of 5,000 votes. The City of Gonzales holds 0.72 percent for the total number of 36 votes. In the past years the Council has not nominated a candidate for a place on the ballot, but has decided to cast their votes for a candidate that has been placed on the ballot. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-109 Nominating Lauren Clampit for the position to be filled on the Gonzales County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated this is the annual agreement with Gonzales Dog Adoptions that will expend \$27,600 annually. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-110 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement with Gonzales Dog Adoptions. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 this is the annual agreement with the Friends of Gonzales Animal Shelter that will expend \$27,600 annually. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-111 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Agreement with Friends of Gonzales Animal Shelter. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 the request for the Methodist Church Trunk or Treat is an annual event held on October 25, 2015 that requires St. Paul between St. Lawrence and St. Louis to be temporarily closed between the hours of 2:30 pm and 6:30 pm. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-112 Authorizing the Street Closures for the First United Methodist Church's Annual Trunk or Treat Celebration. Councilman Schurig

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

Item #7, City Manager stated that the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade will be held on December 4 & 5 and is consistent with what has been done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-113 Approving Gonzales Main Street's Request for the Use of Confederate Square and Designated Street Closures for the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 stated that the Gonzales Fire Department received a command vehicle in the last fiscal year and the county is requesting to place a communication device into that vehicle. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-114 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement with Gonzales County for the Purpose of Hard Wiring a Communication Device Into a City Owned Fire Vehicle. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 stated that Mr. Paul Neuse, owner of Storey Jewelers submitted a business loan request for \$275,000 that was formally received by the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) Board of Directors in June. City staff published the requisite public hearing notice in the Gonzales Cannon on July 31, 2015 and again on August 14, 2015. The GEDC at their meeting of August 24, 2015 approved a \$100,000 loan with a 7-year term at 3.25% interest rate. The loan approval was conditioned on Mr. Neuse providing loan security collateral in the form of first-lien on the personal property, second-lien placed on both the new and old store location, along with a personal guarantee by Mr. Neuse. The GEDC revisited the request from Mr. Neuse at their meeting on September 28, 2015 and the terms were amended as follows; \$120,000 loan with a 10-year repayment term at 2.75% interest rate. GEDC gets first lien on the jewelry display cases valued at approximately \$115,000, second lien of the downtown building, along with a personal guarantee by Mr. Neuse. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-115 Authorizing the Gonzales Economic Development to Fund a Business Loan in the Amount of \$120,000 to Storey Jewelers. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

Item #10, City Manager stated this is consistent with the policy passed a few years ago regarding surplus property. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-116 Declaring Certain City Property Surplus and Authorizing the Sale of Said Property. Councilman Opiela seconded the

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

ORDINANCES

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated on September 15th the Council conducted a Public Hearing and workshop regarding the Noise Ordinance and the current ordinance reads 70 decibels for commercial properties and 63 decibels for residential properties with no time constraints. Council discussed other city ordinances and expressed their concerns in changing the current levels and the impact it could have on the businesses and the surrounding property owners. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-7 leaving the decibel levels the same as it currently states. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Hernandez and Schroeder voted "aye. Councilman Opiela, Schurig and the Mayor all voted "nay". The motion did not carry due to lack of majority. Councilman Schurig made a motion to Approve Ordinance #2015-7 Amending Article 8.300, Section 8.302 (10) as follows; The making of noise in business zoned property as defined by chapter 14, zoning that exceeds 75 dB (A) decibels between Daytime/Evening hours being between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. daily, and that exceeds 65 dB (A) decibels between Nighttime hours being 11:01 p.m. and 7:59 a.m., daily, when measured from property under separate ownership. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, and the Mayor all voted "aye. Councilman Schroeder voted "nay".

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #12 & 13, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial and special contract reports are available for the Council to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Item #14 & 15, The Mayor asked for a motion to move into executive session as authorized by GC 551.073 Negotiate Contract for Proposed Donation & GC 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property. At 6:57 p.m. Councilman Opiela made a motion to move into Executive Session after a short recess. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 7:30 p.m. the Council returned to Open Session.

Item #14, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session regarding item #14. Councilman Opiela made motion authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Barbara Jo Brothers for the receipt of a donation for the purpose of purchasing a property for a new library and to appoint a committee of Erwin Ckudre, Vicki Frenzel, Noell Ince, Clarence Opiela, Robert Logan and Allen Barnes. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

Item #15, The Mayor asked for a motion resulting from Executive Session regarding item #15. Councilman Opiela made motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a real estate contract with Putnam Avenue Properties Inc. for the purchase of the property located at 301 St. Joseph Street with the funds donated to the City by Barbara J Brothers and call a special workshop for November 10th to interview potential architects for the project. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay".

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.



Kristina Vega

Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:

Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 2, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., November 2, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Keith Schmidt, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Tammy West, Tim Crow, Carla Faltisek, James Conquest, Genora Young, Barbara Friedrich

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order, Carolyn Bolden of The Rock Church gave the invocation and Mayor Logan cited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #1, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 6, 2015 City Council Meeting. 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 #2, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated staff is requesting to make the following changes to the personnel manual. The first change suggested is in Section 3.14 Outside Employment. It currently states upon approval of outside or self-employment, the employee must sign an agreement that such employee waives all rights to Sick Leave, or any other time off, in the event such employee is unable to perform the duties as a City employee because of accident, injury, or illness resulting from travel to or from, or performance on another job. Staff is requesting to remove this paragraph from Section 3.14 Outside Employment Section. The second change is located in 5.08 G. and will be amended by removing the wording "as long as payments are reimbursed by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)" overtime for temporary emergency work completed by exempt employees. Exempt employees temporarily assigned to perform work in connection with an emergency as defined by the Mayor or his/her designee will be treated similarly to a non-exempt employee as it relates to the FLSA

(Fair Labor Standards Act) overtime pay provision. During a declared emergency, an exempt employee will be paid an overtime rate for more than 40 hours worked in a work week. The overtime rate will be calculated by dividing the employee's regular bi-weekly pay by 80 hours and multiplying that rate times 1.5. The third suggested change is to Section 7.02 Vacation Leave. It currently states upon resignation, non-department heads may receive pay for any unused vacation leave provided they give two (2) weeks written notice of their resignation and are not subject to discharge for misconduct. Upon resignation, department heads shall receive unused vacation leave provided they give up to three (3) weeks written notice of their resignation and are not subject to discharge for misconduct. An employee may not take vacation leave during this two (2) week or three (3) week period, since the purpose of a two (2) and three (3) week notice is to enable the City to find a replacement for the vacated position. Staff is requesting to revise the paragraph to read: Upon resignation, non-department heads may receive pay for any unused vacation leave provided they give two (2) weeks written notice of their resignation. Upon resignation, department heads shall receive pay for any unused vacation leave, provided they give up to three (3) weeks written notice of their resignation. Employees will not receive pay for any unused vacation leave if they are terminated from the City of Gonzales. An employee may not take any paid time off during this two (2) week or three (3) week period, since the purpose of a two (2) and three (3) week notice is to enable the City to find a replacement for the vacated position. Finally in Section 8.08 G. the second paragraph is amended to include over-the-counter medicines and by adding additional side effects. It is the employee's responsibility to inform his or her Department Director when he/she is taking an over-the-counter or prescription medication with a label that cautions against driving a vehicle or heavy machinery or may cause dizziness, drowsiness or other side effects that may affect job performance. In this instance, employees will temporarily be removed from driving or operating heavy equipment or other work duties. Failure to notify the Department Director may result in discipline, up to and including termination. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-117 Amending Section 3.14 Section 5. 08 G., section 7.02 and section 8.08 G. to the City of Gonzales Personnel Manual. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 we have a total assessed value of \$422,086,190. There are a total of 4,253 properties in the City; there are 1,360 exemptions for a total of \$1,124,220 which gives a total taxable value of \$420,961,970, at our tax rate of 0.1595 per \$100 valuation. That gives us a total of property taxes owed that will be coming due February 1st of \$670,725.20. The final levy is \$670,904.85 and is an annual approval from the CAD. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-118 Approving the 2015 Final Tax Roll for the City of Gonzales. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 stated after analyzing the rerate proposal by TML, given our claims history for the last 12 months which has been very significant, we recommend re-upping our insurance with TML. There is a total average increase of 5% and given our claims history for this year is actually very shocking that it is so low. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-119 Authorizing the City Manager to accept Re-rate Notice and Benefit Verifications; renew Continuation of Coverage Administration Agreement (COBRA) Plan; and Section 125 Flexible Spending Arrangement Service Agreement with Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Benefits Pool. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 a copy of the Marketing Plan from 2015-2016 is available to review. The new marketing consultant Jessie Holt is in the audience to answer any questions you may have. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-120 Approving Gonzales Tourism Committee's Marketing Plan for the Fiscal Year of October 2015 thru September 2016. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 as you were briefed during the budget preparation we included a salary compensation study. We contacted three companies and we have proposals to compare apples to oranges. We have not only external equity which is looking at what other cities, similar cities our size, would pay for a certain position. We are also looking at establishing internal equity. There are two areas of internal equity that need to be addressed. One is called compression and that's when you have a front line supervisor that's been here 3 or 4 years and you have a line employee that's been here 15 years, you may have that line employee making more than that supervisor does. That does two things, number one; it compresses the gap between the employee and supervisor. Staff is suggesting Evergreen Solutions because the scope of work suits the City's needs. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-121 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Agreement with Evergreen Solutions, LLC for the Purpose of a Compensation Study and Salary Scale. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 every November we come to you and make a recommendation to you regarding longevity pay. The policy for longevity pay for the City of Gonzales consists of \$5.00 per month for each year service up to a maximum of 25 years of service. Part-time employees receive up to \$2.50 per month based on the number of hours they worked. The total amount of longevity for employees this year is

\$45,430.00 across all funds. The least amount to an individual is \$32.50 and the maximum is \$1500.00. The average is approximately \$460.00 which means that the average time of employment with the City is approximately 7.7 years. Average time of employment has decreased 0.2 years since last year. Currently, the City has 17 employees with 15+ years of service (maximum \$1500). The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-122 Authorizing Payment of Longevity Pay for Fiscal Year 2015-16. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye"

Item #8, City Manager, Allen stated this is the second year for the car show and it is my understanding there were a lot of cars and it was very well received. The event organizer Joel Gammage is here to answer any questions you may have, and just to clarify the event is scheduled for June 4th. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-123 Authorizing the Use of Confederate Square and Temporary Closure of Certain City Streets for the Hot Rod Standoff Car Show and Concert on June 4, 2016. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated that Mrs. Kenning is requesting to close the 1000 block of North Hamilton on November 7th from 3:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. to hold a neighborhood block party and are estimating approximately 50 people. This is consistent with what has been done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-124 Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Certain City Streets for Margie Kenning to Hold a Neighborhood Block Party. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 stated the official ballot is in front of you, and we received a revised ballot today. Mr. Finch does not wish to run, and I believe the last time all of the votes went to Lauren Clampit. I am not recommending that only refreshing your memory of what was done. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-125 Casting Votes for Lauren Clampit for the Gonzales County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 the Gonzales High School Cheerleaders are requesting to hold a play-off pep rally on Confederate Square on November 12, 2015 depending on the outcome of the upcoming game. The times

requesting are from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. This is consistent with what was done in the past. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-126 Authorizing the GHS Cheerleaders to Hold a Play-Off Pep Rally on Confederate Square on November 12, 2015. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 Gasper and Nora Lekgega, submitted a business loan request for \$220,000 with a 10 year term at 2.25% and \$50,000 forgivable after 5 years successful payment. This application was formally received by the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) Board of Directors in August. City staff published the requisite public hearing notice in the Gonzales Cannon on October 1, 2015 and again on October 8, 2015. During the October 26, 2015 GEDC Board meeting the Board approved a \$127,700 loan, with a 10-year term at 2.75% interest rate, a UCC Lien on the equipment purchased and a personal guarantee from Gasper and Nora Lekgega. Consideration of this business loan is within the scope of services provided by the GEDC. The City Council is required to authorize the loan expense approved by the GEDC board. All guidelines specified in the GEDC's loan policy have been met by the loan applicant. If approved, staff will work with the City Attorney on a formal loan agreement with the applicant. The loan agreement will specify the interest rate (2.75%) as well as collateral to secure the GEDC investment. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-127 Authorizing the Gonzales Economic Development to Fund a Business Loan in the Amount of \$127,700 to Gasper & Nora Lekgega. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye."

ORDINANCES

Item #13, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the auditors were here a couple of weeks ago and Pam discussed how best to account for the \$2 million donation from Mrs. Brothers and they suggested this budget amendment. What this amendment would do is increase the revenue line item in fund #100-4-406.603 from \$40K to \$2,040,000 and building expenses 100-7-104.602 capital outlay from \$31K to \$2,031,000. In interest of financial transparency this is the way the auditors suggested to do it. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Opiela made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-8 Approving the Budget Amendment in Order to Purchase of Wells Fargo Building and the Renovation to Such Building and to Accept the Funds. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay". Motion carried.

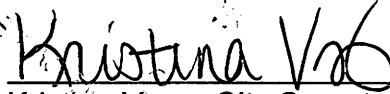
STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #14 & 15, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial and special contract reports are available for the Council to review.

Item #16, Fire Chief, Keith Schmidt presented an update on the two Fire Trucks that have been purchased and are being manufactured.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 10, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their called meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 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 and Clarence Opiela.

The following member was absent: Lorenzo Hernandez

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

Staff Present: Genora Young, Caroline Helms, Chelsey Moeller, Lucy Martinez

Library Board Present: Erwin Ckudre, Vicki Frenzel

Mayor Logan called the meeting to order.

PRESENTATIONS FROM ARCHITECTS REGARDING THE LIBRARY PROJECT

Each Architect explained the process and the steps that they would take to renovate the existing building at 301 St. Joseph Street for use for the Municipal Library.

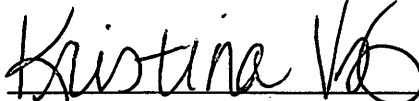
1. Brad Cutright - Cutright & Allen Inc., LaGrange, TX
2. Tim Gescheidle - TSG Architects, Gonzales, TX
3. Ron Hobbs & WaDonna Stich - Ron Hobbs Architects, Garland, TX

RESOLUTIONS

Item #4, City Manager, Allen Barnes, stated this item was done in the event that you wish to make a decision tonight however this same item is on the December 1st agenda if you would like to wait. Mayor Logan asked for a motion. No motion was made regarding Resolution #2015-128 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract for Architectural Services for the Renovation of 301 St. Joseph for use for the Municipal Library. This item died due to the lack of a motion.

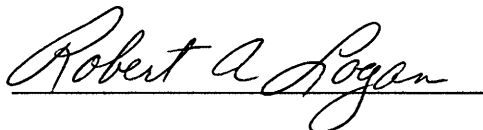
ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Opiela made a motion and Councilman Schroeder seconded it and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Robert A. Logan

**CITY OF GONZALES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 1, 2015 MINUTES**

The City Council convened their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m., December 1, 2015, in the Council Chambers at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.

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

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

Staff Present: Tim Patek, Ralph Camarillo, Pam Larison, Robert Miller, Genora Young, Keith Schauer, Caroline Helms, Micaela Estrada, Anne Dollery, Ricky Campion, James Conquest, Barbara Friedrich, Margaret Pena, Monique White, Jose Cordova, LeeRoy Camarillo, Nick DeLeon, Steve Stanley

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barbara Friedrich, Main Street Administrator stated that she would like to invite everyone to the great Winterfest activities this weekend. There is a lot planned, first is the Annual Lighted Christmas Parade that will start at 7 p.m. with 36 entries, then Santa on the Square, food, live entertainment, free carriage rides and arts & crafts vendors. Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Jingle Bell Fun Run and Main Street will also have Santa's Market on the square and a DJ playing Christmas music, and children's activities on the square.

Roger Eberle, 1906 St. Louis Street and I would like to say that I am a strong supporter of Ordinance 2015-10 and hope that you would give a strong consideration in enacting it tonight. I think it will be a great tool for the safety for the citizens of Gonzales, especially the children of Gonzales.

Mike Hanson, 725 Tate Street, stated we had a big tragedy for the City. A family just lost everything in a house fire 608 Hwy 183 out here. We put them up in a house across from you Lorenzo. They don't have anything, we gave them all the beds and couches that we had. They don't have any clothes, towels or anything there, so if anyone has anything whatsoever pots, pans, refrigerators, stove, whatever. The family has been moved over to 216 Botts Street, which is right across from the post office. So if anyone has anything that they can spare, they can take it over there for them.

RECOGNITION OF RETIREES

Item #1 and 2, City Manager, Allen Barnes expressed he comes before the Council to recognize two employees. The City of Gonzales has history of retaining employees for quite some time. The bad news is that at the end of the month we will be losing 77 years of experience. The two folks retiring; Margaret Pena went to work for the City in 1983, and after 33 years of dedicated service she will be retiring from our Police Department. The other one who is retiring is Robert Miller, who was hired in April of 1970. This is not a formal presentation. We have obtained tokens of our appreciation for their service to the City on your behalf and staffs behalf that will be presented. These are two employees that will be very difficult to replace and I wanted to take a moment to recognize two employees that have worked for the City for a total of 77 combined years.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Item #3 and 4, The Mayor asked the Council if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. The mayor then asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 2, 2015 and the November 10, 2015 City Council Meetings. 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 #5, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated the list of proposed holidays for 2016 is attached for review. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-129 Approving the 2016 City of Gonzales Holiday Schedule. Councilman Hernandez seconded the motion. 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 as part of the 2016 street improvements, it is being recommended that the portions of Seydler Street located south of Sarah Dewitt, and College Street north of Sarah Dewitt be reconstructed and repaved. On November 19th at 2 p.m. City Staff opened a single bid for street improvements in the amount of \$423,164.30 from Lone Star Paving. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-130 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter an Agreement with Lone Star Paving for the 2016 Street Improvement Projects. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. 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 Brian Malaer's contract for the hay lease at the City Landfill is up. City staff solicited for proposals two consecutive weeks in the newspaper of record. One proposal was received from Brian Malaer in the amount of \$5,750.00 per year for a 5 year term. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-131 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Lease Agreement with Brian Malaer for the Purpose of Hay Baling at the

City Landfill. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. 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 stated if you recall three weeks ago Council had a meeting in which Brad Cutright of Cutright & Allen Architects in LaGrange, Tim Gescheidle of TSG Architects in Gonzales, and Ron Hobbs of Ron Hobbs Architects in Garland all made presentations to you. It was discussed that night and was instructed by Council to place this on this agenda. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-132 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract with Cutright & Allen for Architectural Services for the Renovation of 301 St. Joseph for Use for the Municipal Library. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye". Councilman Hernandez voted "nay". Motion carried.

Item #9, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated in 1991 the sole owners of the land abutting Walnut Street petitioned the City to abandon Walnut Street and Quit Claim to each property their one-half interest in Walnut Street. The request was necessary for the sale of these properties to McDonalds. The property owners paid for a survey and legal description of Walnut Street to be conveyed to each property owner. Recently McDonald's had the property re-surveyed and it was discovered that the legal description contained in the 1991 Quit Claim Deed left a 10 foot gap in the westerly half portion of the abandoned Walnut Street. This resolution is necessary to correct the error contained in the 1991 Quit Claim Deed. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-133 Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Quit Claim Deed to McDonald's Real Estate Company for the Westerly ½ of the Abandoned Walnut Street. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 stated that there are a couple of the Main Street Board here tonight and it is my understanding that they did not take a board vote, and that this item is being advanced by members of the board. The only concern that staff has for this, is that the proposed vendor for the alcohol is a commercial business here in town. Normally the sale of alcohol for an event like that is done by non-profits. I question if one particular business is selected to do this, there are other businesses in town that were not given the opportunity to make this request. Equity is my only concern. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Resolution #2015-134 Approving Main Street Board Member's Request for the Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages on Confederate Square December 4 and 5, 2015. Councilman Schroeder seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote.

Councilman Hernandez, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye. Councilman Opiela and Schurig voted "nay". Motion carried three to two.

ORDINANCES

Item #11, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that currently we do not have other than in the building code a vehicle for somebody who puts solar panels on their house to notify the City that they have solar panels. Recently, ERCOT the power grid for the state of Texas has required the City to report distributed generation. What that means is, if I have solar panels on my roof and I generate more electricity than what I can use, I can feed it back to the grid at the state of Texas. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Hernandez made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-9 Requiring the Registration and Permitting of Distributed Electrical Generation in the City Limits of Gonzales. Councilman Schurig seconded the motion. 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 there are 33 registered sex offenders in zip code 78629. Approximately 24 of these live in the City limits of Gonzales. This ordinance would require those registered sex offenders to post a sign on their premises warning that a convicted sex offender lives on the premises. We feel it will enhance the health, safety and well-being of our citizens. The Mayor asked for a motion. Councilman Schurig made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-10 Amending Section 8.802 of Article 8.200 Residency Restrictions for Sex Offenders, Re-Numbering Section 8.807 to Section 8.808 and Adding a New Section 8.807, Requesting that Registered Sex Offenders in the City of Gonzales, Texas Place a Sign in their Yard. Councilman Opiela seconded the motion. The Mayor asked for a roll call vote. Councilman Opiela, Hernandez, Schurig, Schroeder and the Mayor all voted "aye".

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

Item #13 & 14, City Manager, Allen Barnes stated that the financial and special contract reports are available for the Council to review.

ADJOURN

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Schroeder made a motion to adjourn and Councilman Schurig seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary

APPROVED:

