

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AND JOINT MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF SNYDER**

CITY OF SNYDER

MAY 2, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Snyder, Texas and Joint Meeting with the Board of Directors of the Development Corporation of Snyder was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Tony Wofford with the following members present:

Councilmember Rodney Dupree
Councilmember Vernon Clay
Councilmember Steve Rich
Councilmember Steve Highfield
Councilmember Tom Strayhorn
Councilmember Luann Burleson
Attorney for the City, Bryan Guymon

ITEM I. INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Councilmember Tom Strayhorn.

ITEM II. RECOGNIZE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH:

Mayor Tony Wofford recognized Lea Tarter as the Employee of the Month.

ITEM III. RECOGNIZE VISITORS:

Mayor Tony Wofford recognized the following visitors:

Bill Crist, Snyder Daily News; Ben Barkley, Snyder Daily News; Jim Carrillo, Halff & Associates; Linda Molina, Snyder Chamber of Commerce; Melissa Petty, Hackfeld Real Estate; Keith Hackfeld, Hackfeld Real Estate; Joe Coronado, Development Corporation of Snyder; Bill Lavers, Development Corporation of Snyder; Shawn Ragland, Development Corporation of Snyder; Mark Williams, Development Corporation of Snyder; Terry Martin, Snyder; Berry Martin, Snyder; Richard Powell, Big Country Electric; Kyle Beights, Snyder Christian School; Audrey Herrley, Snyder Christian School; Sydney Ubando, Snyder Christian School; Shelby Powell, Snyder Christian School; Emily Powell, Snyder; Renae Herrley, Snyder; Terri Beights, Snyder; Brandie Ubando, Snyder.

ITEM IV. VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:

No Discussion.

ITEM V. JOINT EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH DCOS BOARD – THE SNYDER CITY COUNCIL AND THE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF SNYDER BOARD WILL EACH CONVENENE INTO AND MEET IN A JOINT EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council and Board may act in Open Session on the following item:

1. Deliberation regarding real property. (Section 551.072 Texas Government Code.)\

ITEM VI. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

1. No action taken regarding deliberation on real property. The Snyder City Council and the Development Corporation of Snyder Board did not convene into Executive Session.

Development Corporation of Snyder Executive Director Bill Lavers addressed the council regarding the purchase of a new building located at 2514 Avenue R. Bill Lavers stated moving DCOS to the downtown square could light a spark to more development and could be used as a business incubator for the community. The building would be used as a community showcase and a research center. All furniture for the building will be purchased locally and the funds to purchase the property will not come from sales tax.

ITEM VII. ADJOURNMENT:

1. No action taken regarding motion to adjourn for the Development Corporation of Snyder Board.

ITEM VIII. MINUTES:

1. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, April 4, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tom Strayhorn and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

2. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve the minutes of the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting, April 12, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

ITEM IX. BIDS:

1. Councilmember Tom Strayhorn made the motion to award the bid for two Chevrolet Tahoes for Department 16 to Big Country Auto Land for \$63,768.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

ITEM X. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Councilmember Steve Highfield made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance No. 2030 regarding Zone Case #363 changing the N 60' of the W 140' of Lot 2 Block 14, located at 2208 Avenue T from an M-1 Light Manufacturing Zone to an R-3 General Residential Zone.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

2. Councilmember Rodney Dupree made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance No. 2031 amending Ordinance No. 1099 adding regulations regarding solicitation in the public right-of-way as captioned below:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1099 TO ADD REGULATIONS REGARDING SOLICITATION IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vernon Clay and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

3. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to adopt on second reading Ordinance No. 2032 amending the off street parking ratio for businesses as captioned below:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFF STREET PARKING RATIO FOR BUSINESSES CALLED FOR IN ITEM ELEVEN, SECTION XIV OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE SNYDER CODE OF ORDINANCES AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

ITEM XI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion with Christian School and action of adopting Browning Park. – Several students from the Snyder Christian School addressed the Council regarding Browning Park. The students presented the parks history, projects they have done including picking up trash and planting flowers, safety concerns, replacing benches, and addressed getting running water to the park to water flower beds and trees. The Snyder Christian School requested permission to plant a new tree and put in a plaque to be dedicated to Mr. Lee Presswood.

Councilmeber Steve Rich made the motion to allow City staff to work with the Snyder Christian School to complete projects.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vernon Clay and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

2. Presentation by Halff & Associates of the Master Comprehensive Plan for the City of Snyder. - Jim Carillo with Halff & Associates presented the City Council with the draft Master Comprehensive Plan. The plan addresses goals from improving abandoned areas throughout the city, parks, creating jobs, and expanding the Downtown Square. The plan reflects a 20 year projected look into the future for Snyder. Jim Carillo encouraged the council to place a copy at the library and on the City's website to allow the public's feedback and comments. After that period, the council will hold public hearings on the plan before it is adopted.

3. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to approve Resolution R160502A authorizing a line item transfer of \$28,000 from Community Service Department 5 account 01-605-6701 to Land account 01-605-751 to fund the purchase of property located at 2301 Avenue T.

The motion was seconded Councilmember Tom Strayhorn and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

4. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table Resolution R160502B initiating Oncor Electric Delivery Rate Case as captioned below:

DIRECTING ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC TO FILE CERTAIN INFORMATION WITH THE CITY OF SNYDER; SETTING A PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE FOR THE GATHERING AND REVIEW OF NECESSARY INFORMATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; SETTING DATES FOR THE FILING OF THE CITY'S ANALYSIS OF THE COMPANY'S FILING AND THE COMPANY'S REBUTTAL TO SUCH ANALYSIS; RATIFYING THE HIRING OF LEGAL COUNSEL AND CONSULTANTS; RESERVING THE RIGHT TO REQUIRE THE REIMBURSEMENT OF THE CITY OF SNYDER'S RATE CASE EXPENSES; SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSES OF DETERMINING IF THE EXISTING RATES OF ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY ARE UNREASONABLE OR IN ANY WAY IN VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF LAW AND THE DETERMINATION BY THE CITY OF SNYDER OF JUST AND REASONABLE RATES TO BE CHARGED BY ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY, LLC.; NOTING COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW; PROVIDING NOTICE OF PASSAGE.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

5. Councilmember Vernon Clay made the motion to approve on first reading Ordinance No. 2033 regarding annexation of a 28.059 acre tract, Section 124, Block 3, H&GN RR Company Survey requested by Blake Fulenwider as captioned below:

AN ORDINANCE, PURSUANT TO A VOLUNTARY REQUEST BY THE PROPERTY OWNER, ANNEXING THE HERINAFTER DESCRIBED ADDITIONAL TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF SNYDER, SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN SAID

**CITY LIMITS, AND GRANTING TO ALL THE
INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL THE RIGHTS
AND PRIVILEGES OF OTHER CITIZENS AND BINDING
SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS,
ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF
SAID CITY.**

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

6. Councilmember Steve Rich made the motion to table the final re-plat of the 28.059 acre tract, Section 124, Block 3, H&GN RR Company Survey requested by Blake Fulenwider.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodney Dupree with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

7. Councilmember Luann Burluson made the motion to approve the request by Chamber of Commerce for assistance in funding a third of the cost of the 4th of July firework display.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Highfield and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

8. Councilmember Tom Strayhorn made the motion to approve the reappointment of David Holt and Jeff Knowles to the CRMWD Board of Directors.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

9. Councilmember Vernon Clay made the motion to renew the contract and approve the new rates with Texas Municipal League for employee health insurance.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

10. Councilmember Steve Highfield made the motion to approve the quarterly investment report for quarter ending March 31, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tom Strayhorn and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.
Noes: None.

11. Update regarding Solar Power Generation. – City Manager Merle Taylor discussed the possibility of a Solar Plant being built at the old City landfill. The City would go out for competitive bids with certain specifications.
12. Discussion of possible Bond Election for Capital Improvements. – The City Council discussed the possibility of having a Bond Election to pay for capital improvements including street work, a new City Hall or renovations to the existing building, and completing the City's Barn. If the City was to call for a bond election, it would have to do so by August 22. Finance Director Patricia Warren informed the Council how much the tax rates would increase on different bond amounts ranging from 10 cents per \$100 valuation to 30 cents per \$100 valuation.

ITEM XII. INFORMATION:

1. Monthly personnel report.
2. Budget Schedule.
3. Special Council Meeting May 23, 12:00 p.m. to tour City Facilities
4. Next Regular Council Meeting is June 6, 5:30 p.m.; Building Standards Commission Meeting is June 6, 4:30 p.m.

ITEM XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Councilmember Steve Highfield made the motion to adjourn.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Steve Rich and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted yes.

Noes: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Mayor



ATTEST:

Shari Green
City Secretary

Approved: June 6, 2016.