

**BASTROP CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
June 24, 2014 at 6:15 pm**

Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter § 551, the City Council of Bastrop, Texas held a Regular Meeting on the aforementioned date at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers located at 1311 Chestnut Street in Bastrop, Texas to consider the following matters:

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A quorum being present; Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Mayor Kesselus was on vacation.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION** – Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa invited Bastrop Main Street Program Director, Nancy Wood to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Police Chief Adcock introduced Grady Chandler who led us in prayer.
3. **PRESENTATIONS**
4. **PROCLAMATIONS** – Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa invited Council Member Dock Jackson to read the Proclamation for “The Paul Quinn African Methodist Episcopal Church “Mortgage Note Burning Service” on Sunday, June 29, 2014 at 3:30 pm.
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS** – Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa invited citizen comments; former Council Member Bill Peterson & Cladie Haywood expressed their appreciation for the Council’s support on the recent Juneteenth Event.
6. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa noted that Mayor Kesselus was on vacation.

**A. CONSENT AGENDA** - All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member(s) so request.

**A.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 3 & JUNE 10, 2014.**

Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa requested a motion to approve the item on the Consent Agenda.

**MOTION** – Council Member Beal made the motion to approve item A-1 on the Consent Agenda.

**SECONDED** - Council Member McAnally seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote 4-0

**B. PUBLIC HEARINGS & ORDINANCES AND OTHER ITEMS ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION - NONE**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** *The Council reserves the right to convene into Executive Session at any time during the meeting regarding any agenda item. In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Ch.551 Govt.Code, Vernon’s Texas Code, Annotated, the item below will be discussed in closed session. SEC.551.071–Consultations w/Attorney related to legal matters*  
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**C. OLD BUSINESS** – No Items

**D. NEW BUSINESS**

**D.1** Presentations by Organizations seeking funding from Hotel Occupancy Tax for the 2015 Fiscal Year.

- a) Bastrop Chamber of Commerce.....P. 13
- b) Bastrop Downtown Business Alliance ....P. 46
- c) Bastrop Fine Arts Guild ..... P. 74
- d) Bastrop County Historical Society..... P. 93
- e) Bastrop Homecoming Committee..... P. 112
- f) Bastrop Juneteenth Committee.....P. 127
- g) Bastrop Old Town Visitors Center .....P. 146
- h) Bastrop Opera House .....P. 165
- i) Family Crisis Center .....P. 202
- j) Keep Bastrop County Beautiful ..... P. 248
- k) Retreat America.....P. 262
- l) SupCup LLC .....P. 284
- m) Texas non-profit Theaters ..... P. 299
- n) Upstart, Inc. .... P. 319
- o) YMCA of Austin ..... P. 339

Chief Financial Officer Stovall informed the Council that as reflected on the FY 2015 Hotel Occupancy Tax Calendar, June 24<sup>th</sup>, had been designated for organizations to present and discuss their applications for funding. A representative from each of the above listed organizations requested the Council's approval on funding and presented an outline of their accomplishments.

The Council Members thanked all the representatives for their time. Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa advised the representatives that the Council would meet on August 12, 2014 to approve the preliminary funding levels for organizations.

**D.2 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE CHAMBERS STREET PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS.**

Director of Public Works, Parks & Utilities requested the Council's consideration and approval to award the contract to Patin Construction as the lowest most responsible bidder for the Chambers Street paving and Drainage improvements for \$518,557.00.

Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa requested a motion.

**MOTION** – Council Member Beal made the motion to award the contract for the Chambers Street Paving & Drainage Improvements to Patin Construction for \$518,557.00.

**SECONDED** – Council Member McAnally seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote of 4-0

**D.3 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHANGING THE TIME CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD.**

Council Member McAnally requested the meeting time be changed from 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm to allow travel time for those attending the City Council Meetings.

Mayor Pro-Tem requested a motion.

**MOTION** – Council Member McAnally made the motion to change the City Council Meeting time from 6:15 pm to 6:30 pm.

**SECONDED** – Council Member Beal seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote of 4-0

**D.4 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WAVING FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2014 ARTICLE 1.04 SEC. 1.04.001(C2) IDENTIFYING IN APRIL OF EACH YEAR, THE CITY WILL PROVIDE NOTICE OF OPENINGS ON THE CITY'S ADVISORY BOARDS THROUGH LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, THE CITY WEBSITE, OTHER MEDIA SOURCES AND/OR OTHER APPROPRIATE MEANS.**

City Manager Talbot requested the Council's approval to waive the advertisement of Board vacancies for this calendar year.

Mayor Pro-Tem requested a motion.

**MOTION** – Council Member McAnally made the motion to waive the notice of openings on the City's Advisory Boards through local newspapers, the City's website, other media sources, and/or other appropriate means for one year.

**SECONDED** – Council Member Gilleland seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote of 4-0

**D.5 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A COMMUNITY CLEANUP PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF BASTROP.**

Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa pulled this item from the Agenda.

**D.6 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES REGARDING BRUSH PICKUP IN THE CITY OF BASTROP.**

The Council Members expressed their concerns on the lack of service provided by Republic Services, which was apparent by the significant amount of brush/garbage accumulating around the city.

Representatives from Republic Services advised the Council that they would address the concerns expressed by the Council and establish a new system to collect brush in their attempt to increase the service level at no additional cost to the consumer.

**D.7 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR CITY COUNCIL TO NOMINATE A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE MAYOR FOR APPOINTMENT ON THE HUNTERS CROSSING LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD.**

The Hunters Crossing Local Government Corporation's bylaws require that a City Council Member serve on the board. On behalf of Mayor Kesselus, Mayor Pro-Tem requested to appoint another Council Member to fill this role to avoid a controversial situation due to recent board appointments.

Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa requested a nomination.

**MOTION** – Council Member Beal made the motion to nominate Council Member Jackson as their representative on the Hunter's Crossing Local Government Corporation Public Improvement District Board.

**SECONDED** – Council Member McAnally seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote of 3-0

**D.8 CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF A PETITION BY SARAH CHALMERS FOR A VARIANCE ALLOWING A PRIVATE WELL TO BE DRILLED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BASTROP LOCATED AT 404 CEDAR STREET BASTROP TX. 78602.**

Director of Public Works, Parks & Utilities Trey Job requested the Council's approval for a variance submitted by Sarah Chalmers for a private well at 404 Cedar Street.

Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa invited questions and comments; with no response, he requested a motion.

**MOTION** – Council Member McAnally made the motion to approve the variance for a private well to be drilled at 404 Cedar Street and requested to have this item placed on the Consent Agenda at the next City Council Meeting.

**SECONDED** – Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED** – Unanimous vote of 4-0

**E. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

E.1 The Bastrop City Council will meet in a closed/executive session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, *et seq.*, to discuss the following:

1. **SECTION 551.071(1)(A) & SECTION 551.071(2)** – Consultation with Attorney concerning: (1) potential, pending, threatened, and/or contemplated litigation or claims, including but not limited to **“Pine Forest Investments Group, LLC v The City of Bastrop, et al, cause No. 29,052, In the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court of Bastrop County, Texas.”** and/or (2) matter upon which the Attorney has a duty and/or responsibility to report to the governmental body, concerning same, and/or any other matters posted on the agenda.
2. **SECTION 551.072** – Deliberation regarding real property: Regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, disposition, or value of real property.
3. **SECTION 551.074** – Personnel Matters

E.2 The Bastrop City Council will reconvene into open session to discuss, consider, and/or take any actions necessary related to the executive sessions noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.

At 7:46 pm, Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa convened the Bastrop City Council into Executive Session and reconvened the Bastrop City Council into open session to discuss, consider and/or take action(s) necessary related to the Executive Session noted herein at 8:03 pm.

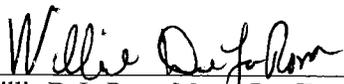
After discussions regarding E.1-2 **SEC.551.072** – Deliberation regarding real property, the City Manager recommended that the Council accept the counter-offer from Cox Media for the City's acquisition of the land and building currently used by the *Bastrop Advertiser*.

**MOTION** – Council Member Dock Jackson made the motion to accept the City Manager's recommendation to accept the counter-offer from Cox Media for the City's acquisition of the land and building currently used by the *Bastrop Advertiser*.

**SECONDED** – Council Member McAnally seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIES** – Unanimous vote 4-0

**F. ADJOURNMENT** - Mayor Pro-Tem DeLaRosa requested a motion to adjourn. Council Member McAnally made the motion, seconded by Council Member Gilleland, passed 4-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

APPROVED:   
Willie DeLaRosa, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:   
Elizabeth Minerva Lopez, City Secretary