

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 21, 2014

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro-tem Walker called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. on April 21, 2014, in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Pro-tem Walker, Commissioners Salik, Frazier, Searcy, and Holley, City Manager Ewings, City Attorney Wilson, Patrol Lieutenant Pontley, ED Coordinator Nelson, HR Coordinator Kellenberger, City Secretary Batchler, and News Media.

Mayor Thomas and Commissioner Haupt were not in attendance.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Frazier

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Pro-tem Walker.

ROLL CALL to determine the presence of a quorum: The City Secretary called the roll and determined that a quorum was present.

MINUTES of the April 7, 2014, workshop were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Frazier and seconded by Commissioner Salik with all members present voting AYE. Minutes of the April 7, 2014 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Salik and seconded by Commissioner Frazier with all members present voting AYE.

SECOND READING

ORDINANCE 14-04-01

ORDINANCE 14-04-01 REPEALING ORDINANCE 09-03-04 AND ESTABLISHING A WATER CONSERVATION AND DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN; ESTABLISHING GOALS TO REDUCE WATER CONSUMPTION; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR THE INITIATION AND TERMINATION OF DROUGHT RESPONSE STAGES; ESTABLISHING RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN WATER USES; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF AND PROVISIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THESE RESTRICTIONS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR GRANTING VARIANCES; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Salik moved to Pass, Approve, and Adopt Ordinance 14-04-01 on second and final reading. Commissioner Holley seconded and the members in attendance voted AYE.

ORDINANCE 14-04-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, ADOPTING A SECTION 3 POLICY, AN EXCESSIVE FORCE POLICY, A SECTION 504 GRIEVANCE POLICY, AND CONTRACTORS GUIDELINES FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS FOR PROJECTS FUNDED BY U.S. HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS; ADOPTING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT; DECLARING A POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY STATUS; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Manager Ewings presented Ordinance 14-04-02. The city has been approved to receive disaster relief funds related to last year's tornado damage up to \$150,000. The funds are Community Development Block Grant funds administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. The grant process requires that policies must be adopted to include a Section 3 Policy, an Excessive Force Policy, a Section 504 Grievance Policy, and Contractors Guidelines, an Equal Employment Opportunity statement, and a Non-discrimination Base Disability statement.

Commissioner Frazier moved to Pass, Approve, and Adopt on second and final reading Ordinance 14-04-02. Commissioner Salik seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 14-04-07

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, APPROVING THE WAIVER OF INTEREST ACCRUED ON A 1986 WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PRO RATA SHARE ON WEST BELKNAP STREET, LOT 4, ALDRIDGE ADDITION, CITY OF ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

Lou Ann Little, owner of the property described as W. Belknap Street, Lot 4, Aldridge Addition, has requested the waiver of interest accrued on a pro-rata share waterline improvement lien dating back to 1986.

Commissioner Holley moved to approve and adopt Resolution 14-04-07 granting the waiver and the release of the lien upon payment of the principal amount of \$397.29. Commissioner Salik seconded and the members in attendance voted AYE.

RESOLUTION 14-04-08

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT, NOT TO EXCEED \$9,500 ANNUALLY, WITH GOOGLE, INC., FOR WEB BASE EMAIL EXCHANGE SERVICES.

City Manager Ewings presented a plan to enter into an agreement with Google, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$9,500 annually for web based email exchange services.

Commissioner Frazier moved to approve and adopt Resolution 14-04-08 authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement with Google, Inc. Commissioner Salik seconded and the members in attendance voted AYE.

RESOLUTION 14-04-09

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SUEZ ENERGY RESOURCES NA, INC., FOR ELECTRIC ENERGY SERVICES.

Salik moved to approve and adopt Resolution 14-04-09 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Suez Energy Resources NA, Inc., for electric energy for a period not to exceed 24 months based on current market rates. Commissioner Holley seconded and the members in attendance voted AYE.

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There was no action taken.

REQUEST FROM CITY COMMISSION AND ROUNDTABLE:

Mayor Pro-tem Walker and Commissioner Frazier requested that City Manager Ewings look into the cost of a city sponsored Fourth of July Fireworks Display Celebration. The city manager suggested that perhaps a local civic organization might be interested in assisting in the sponsorship. More information will be provided at a future meeting.

With no further business, Mayor Pro-tem Walker adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Mathew K. Walker, Mayor Pro-tem

Attest:

Donna Batchler, City Secretary

