

MINUTES
HALTOM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, 5024 BROADWAY AVENUE
August 10, 2015

A Regular Meeting was held by the City Council of the City of Haltom City, Texas, on August 10, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 5024 Broadway Avenue, Haltom City, Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:

Mayor David Averitt	Mayor Pro Tem Bob Watkins
Council Place 1 Jeannine Nunn	Council Place 2 Walter Grow
Council Place 3 Scott Garrett	Council Member 6 Stephanie Davenport
Council Place 7 Dr. An Truong	
Council Place 4 Trae Fowler	arrived at 6:09 during the Worksession.

Staff Present: Tom Muir, City Manager; Wayne Olson, City Attorney; Art Camacho, City Secretary; Jennifer Fung, Finance Director; Keith Lane, Police Chief; Tim Cool, IT Director; Chris Zarate, Utility Billing Director; and Susan White, Business Development Coordinator.

WORKSESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David Averitt called the Worksession to order at 6:04 p.m. Finance Director Jennifer Fung and Utility Billing Director Christina Zarate presented a PowerPoint that included new billing and a payment cycle. A discussion was held on changing the current billing schedule and assisting veterans with their payments. Charter Review Committee Chair Jimbo White approached the Council in regard to the charter revisions and stated that only two portions of the proposition need addressing before May 2016. A discussion was held and it was determined that a special election ordinance would be presented for Council approval at the Saturday special meeting. City Attorney Wayne Olson addressed the Council in regard to a re-appropriation of the current and proposed municipal sales and use taxes and a discussion was held regarding the possible reduction of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) tax while increasing the Street Maintenance Tax and the Crime Control Prevention District (CCPD). Mayor Pro Tem Bob Watkins commented on the current status of the members of the Board of Directors for Reinvestment Zone No. 1 and a discussion was held in regard to these board directors terming out of their position and the procedure for replacing them. Mayor Averitt closed the Worksession at 7:15 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Averitt called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Dr. An Truong gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

City Secretary Art Camacho announced the following:

Ladies Night Out – Saturday, August 15th - This event will be held from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m., seating is limited, and you must call to purchase tickets.

Memory Loss, Dementia, & Alzheimer's Disease - Wednesday, September 2nd, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association.

Crafty Saturdays – Easy-to-make craft class for adults will be held Saturday, August 29th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and the cost is \$5.00 plus supplies.

Family Movie Night – On Monday, September 14th, the movie "Quest for Camelot" will be shown at 6:30 p.m.

Story Times – (1) Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for ages 3 and older; (2) Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for ages 2 and younger.

Veterans Support Group – This group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Haltom Fire Services

The Haltom Fire Services Board will be hosting an "All You Can Eat" breakfast fundraiser at the Applebee's restaurant at 6645 NE Loop 820 on Saturday, August 22nd from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. Food items include pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, orange juice, coffee and soft drinks. Tickets are \$10.00 and must be purchased in advance. All proceeds will go toward the support of the Haltom City Fire Department Services and Programs. For additional information, please contact Lin Thompson at 817-980-9524.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Minutes** – Consideration and/or action regarding approval of the Minutes of the meeting of July 27, 2015. Council Member Dr. An Truong moved, seconded by Council Member Stephanie Davenport, to approve the Minutes of July 27, 2015. ***The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.***
2. **Property Purchase** – Consideration and/or action to approve Resolution No. R-2015-014-01 for the purchase of Lot 5, Block 1, Jones Oakview Addition, as described in certain deeds of record in volume 9244, page 2258 and volume 12147, page 2081 of the deed records of Tarrant County, Texas (Account No. 01469592), locally known as 4408 Parrish Road. City Manager Tom Muir presented the resolution and a discussion was held regarding the payment source (General Fund) for the purchase. Council Member Trae Fowler moved, seconded by Council Member Stephanie Davenport, to approve Resolution No. R-2015-014-01. ***The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.***
3. **Budget Amendment** – Conduct a public hearing and consideration and/or action regarding approval of Ordinance No. O-2015-016-03 – 2015 Budget Amendment – ***1st Reading.*** Finance Director Jennifer Fung presented the ordinance and a discussion was held regarding the late funding additions and the specific amounts. Mayor Averitt opened the Public Hearing at 7:55 p.m. No citizen came forward. Mayor Averitt closed the Public Hearing at 7:56 p.m. Council Member Walter Grow moved, seconded by Council Member Jeannine Nunn, to approve Ordinance No. O-2015-016-03 – first reading. ***The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.***
4. **Crime Control & Prevention District** – Conduct a public hearing and consideration and/or action approving the proposed FY2016 budget for the Crime Control and Prevention District. Finance Director Jennifer Fung presented the agenda item and Police Chief Keith Lane commented on the specific use of the CCPD funds. Council Member Fowler moved, seconded by Council Member Truong, to approve the proposed FY2016 budget for the CCPD. ***The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.***
5. **Property Tax Rate** – Consideration and/or action on a Record Vote for setting the Preliminary Tax Rate for the FY2016 budget. Council Member Fowler moved, seconded by Council Member Stephanie Davenport, that the preliminary

property tax rate be set at \$0.763711 per \$100 of net taxable value, comprised of a maintenance and operations rate of \$0.526037 and an interest and sinking rate of \$0.237674, and that public hearings concerning the preliminary tax rate be held on August 24, 2015 and August 31, 2015. **Council Members Nunn, Grow, Garrett, Fowler, Davenport and Truong voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Bob Watkins voted nay. Motion carried.**

VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM

The following citizen came forward:

1. Calvin Pegues, 5276 Dillon Circle – Complained about the Junk Vehicle ordinance and the possibility of citizens paying for the installation of speed bumps.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

6. **Resignations of Board Members** – Consider approval of the resignations of Board/Commission Members. Council Member Grow presented the resignation of Mike Logan from the ZBA. **The resignation was approved unanimously.**
7. **Appointment/Reappointment to Boards and Commissions** – Consider approval regarding appointments to Boards/Commissions. Council Member Nunn reappointed Betty Bronstad to the Library Board and Wayne Clowers to the Beautification Board. **The reappointments were approved unanimously.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Section 551.071

As authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from the City Attorney about any matters listed on the agenda, in addition to the following matters:

Consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct which may conflict with the Open Meetings Act; including discussion of any item posted on the Agenda; to seek legal advice on: open meetings, open records, contracts, expenditures and oversight of the Haltom City Economic Development Corporation, litigation, and settlement offers and/or claims for the following cases:

- Donald Anthony Hains v. City of Haltom City
- Burkett v. City of Haltom City, et al.
- Flynn v. Haltom City EDC
- Emily A. Rudicel v. City Secretary/Haltom City Police Department
- Progressive County Mutual Ins. Co. v. The City of Haltom City
- James H. Watson v. The City of Haltom City
- Settlement of USACE Contract Dispute

Section 551.072 – Deliberations about Real Property

Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property owned or leased by the City and the Economic Development Corporation.

The Council went into Executive Session at 8:40 p.m. They reconvened to the Regular Session at 10:02 p.m.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

8. Take any action deemed necessary as a result of the Executive Session.
No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

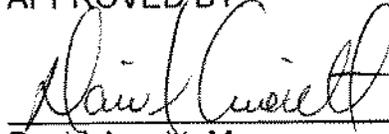
Mayor Averitt adjourned the meeting on August 10, 2015 at 10:02 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:



Art Camacho, City Secretary



David Averitt, Mayor

