

**MINUTES**  
**HALTOM CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**CITY HALL, 5024 BROADWAY AVENUE**  
**August 15, 2016**

A Regular Meeting by the City Council of the City of Haltom City, Texas, was held on August 15, 2016, at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 5024 Broadway Avenue, Haltom City, Texas, with the following members present:

Mayor David Averitt  
Council Place 1 Jeannine Nunn  
Council Place 3 Scott Garrett  
Council Place 7 Dr. An Truong

Mayor Pro Tem Bob Watkins  
Council Place 2 Walter Grow  
Council Place 4 Trae Fowler

Council Place 6 Stephanie Davenport was absent.

Staff Present: Keith Lane, City Manager; Chuck Barnett, Assistant City Manager; Rex Phelps, Assistant City Manager, Cara White, City Attorney; Art Camacho, City Secretary; Glenna Batchelor, Building Official; Jennifer Fung, Finance Director; Julie Orebaugh, Community Projects Coordinator, and Greg Van Nieuwenhuize, Public Works Director.

**WORKSESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Averitt called the Worksession to order at 6:05 p.m. There were no questions regarding the Regular Agenda. There was no Executive Session. The Worksession was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Averitt called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Scott Garrett gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS**

City Secretary Art Camacho announced the following:

**Public Library**

**Family Movie Night** is Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. featuring the movie "*The Angry Birds Movie*"

**Story Times** are Thursdays, 11 – 11:45 a.m. for ages 3 and older. The first Thursday of each month also features a puppet show. Story Times for ages 2 and younger are Fridays, from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

**Super Science Saturdays** are the first Saturday of each month. The theme is "Microscopes" for the class being held on Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. It is for ages 6 – 12 and is free. No registration is required.

**Bi-lingual Story Time** is every Wednesday from 10:30 – 11 a.m., ending August 31<sup>st</sup>. It includes songs and stories in Spanish and English and a craft.

**Coloring and Cookies for Grownups** will hold its final class on Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30 – 8 p.m. Materials are provided or you can bring your own.

**Genealogy Workshop: Before Vital Records** – This program will be held Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Seating is limited.

**GED Study Classes** - Free GED classes will resume August 16. Classes are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 5 – 8 p.m.

## Community Projects

The August/September issue of Crossroads, which highlights news, events, and programs in Haltom City, is available at city buildings, in addition to being direct mailed to 13,650 homes and businesses in the city.

**Citizen Funding** - Every month you can help fund special projects in Haltom City with fifty cents donations through your utility bill. Read about the Animal Shelter, Fire Department, Police Department, Parks and Recreation, and Library projects in Crossroads. Sign up online under the "Resident's" tab on the city website, include it in your monthly bill, stop by Utility Billing in City Hall, or call 817-222-7717 for more information.

**Keep Haltom City Beautiful** is hosting the Trinity Trash Bash on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The Trinity Trash Bash is a litter clean-up along a waterway at Buffalo Ridge Park. Free T-shirts for volunteers along with much more. Online registration will be available on the city website.

**Art in the City** is hosting "Fall Gallery Night 2016" on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 7 p.m. Works of watercolors, acrylics, oils, mixed media, wood turning, pottery and gourd carving will be on display at the Haltom City Northeast Center. Other cities in Tarrant County will be participating. The locations and artistic works are on the city website.

Mayor Pro Tem Bob Watkins mentioned that citizens can go on-line to find more donations available on their utility billing.

## REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Minutes** – Consideration and/or action regarding approval of the Minutes for the July 25, 2016, August 1, 2016, and August 8, 2016. Mayor Pro Tem Watkins moved, seconded by Council Member Garrett, to approve the Minutes of July 25, 2016, August 1, 2016 and August 8, 2016. **The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**
2. **Environmental Collection Center** – Consideration and/or action to authorize the City Manager to approve the amendment which extends the current contract and Interlocal agreement with the City of Fort Worth to allow our residents to utilize the Environmental Collection Center. Julie Orebaugh, Community Projects Coordinator, presented the amendment which included the number of citizens using the collection center and the expense account. Council Member Grow moved, seconded by Council Member Truong, to renew the agreement with the City of Fort Worth for the Environmental Collection Center. **The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**
3. **Crime Control & Prevention District** – Conduct a public hearing and consideration and/or action approving the proposed FY2017 budget for the Crime Control and Prevention District. Finance Director Jennifer Fung presented the agenda item and a discussion was held regarding the PowerPoint data in comparison to the data presented in the agenda memorandum. Mayor Averitt opened the Public Hearing at 7:21 p.m. No citizen came forward. Mayor Averitt closed the Public Hearing at 7:22 p.m. Council Member Truong moved, seconded by Council Member Nunn, to approve the proposed FY2017 budget for the Crime Control and Prevention District. **The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**
4. **Property Tax Rate** – Consideration and/or action on a Record Vote for setting the Preliminary Tax Rate for the FY2017 budget. Finance Director Jennifer Fung presented the agenda item and a discussion was held regarding the roll back rate and the possible revenues generated. Mayor Averitt opened the Public Hearing at 7:29. No citizen came forward. Mayor Averitt closed the Public Hearing at 7:30

p.m. Council Member Garrett moved, seconded by Council Member Truong, that the preliminary property tax rate be set at \$0.73 per \$100 of next taxable value, comprised of a maintenance and operations rate of \$0.48 and an interest and sinking rate of \$0.25, and that public hearings concerning the preliminary tax rate be held on August 22, 2016 and August 29, 2016. **The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**

5. **(P-005-16) Oak Knoll Addition Replat – Lots 3R, 4R1, & 4R2, Block 2** - Conduct a public hearing and consideration and/or action on the application of Jose Sanchez and Joseph Tillotson for approval of a replat creating Lots 3R, 4R1, and 4R2, Block 2 of the Oak Knoll Addition from Lots 3 and 4, Block 2 of the Oak Knoll Addition, located in the "SF-2" Single Family Residential District, containing approximately 1.377 acres, and locally known as 1505, 1515, and 1517 Oak Knoll Drive. Building Official Glenna Batchelor presented the replat and a discussion was held regarding the Planning and Zoning vote, water service, and the allowable boundary area for fire service. Mayor Averitt opened the Public Hearing at 7:36 p.m. No citizen came forward. Mayor Averitt closed the Public Hearing at 7:37 p.m. Council Member Grow moved, seconded by Council Member Truong, to approve (P-005-16) Oak Knoll Addition Replat – Lots 3R, 4R1, and 4R2, Block 2. **The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**
  
6. **(P-008-16) B and S Fence Addition Final Plat – Lot 1, Block 1** – Consideration and/or action on a right-of-way dedication appeal and application of Cruz Burciaga for approval of a final plat creating Lot 1, Block 1 of the B and S Fence Addition from Tract 2R of the William Norris Survey, A-1166, located in the "M-1" Industrial District, containing approximately 0.948 acres, and locally known as 2813 Carson Street. Building Official Glenna Batchelor presented the final plat and a discussion was held regarding the site plans for the plat. James Pliska, of Pliska Consulting, provided additional information regarding the final plat. Council Member Fowler moved, seconded by Council Member Nunn, to approve the final plat, with variances that meet the requirements of the subdivision ordinance 1-4, for the plat of B and S Fence Addition Final Plat – Lot 1, Block 1. **Mayor Pro Tem Watkins and Council Members Nunn, Garrett, Fowler, and Truong voted aye. Council Member Grow abstained. Motion carried.**
  
7. **Masonry Waiver Request (CV-001-16) B & S Fence Company-** Consideration and/or action to approve an application by Cruz Burciaga requesting to not provide the minimum masonry required on the exterior of a proposed 3,000 square-foot building to be located on Lot 1, Block 1 of the B and S Fence Addition, being approximately 0.948 acres located south of E. Belknap Street and west of Carson Street, locally known as 2813 Carson Street. Building Official Glenna Batchelor presented the waiver request and a discussion regarding the masonry ordinance requirements and the reasons for the variance. James Pliska, of Pliska Consulting, and business owner Cruz Burciaga provided additional information on the waiver request. Council Member Fowler moved, seconded by Council Member Truong, to table the masonry waiver request (CV-001-16) B and S Fence Company until the Council meeting next week. **Council Member Nunn, Garrett, Fowler, and Truong voted aye. Mayor Pro Tem Watkins voted nay. Council Member Grow abstained. Motion to table the item was carried.**

**VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM**

Citizen Michael Hayward expressed his displeasure with the tabling of the masonry waiver request. No other citizen came forward.

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**

- 8. **Resignations of Board Members** – Consider approval of the resignations of Board/Commission Members. Mayor Averitt presented the resignation of Paul Dobbs from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. ***The resignation was approved unanimously.***
- 9. **Appointment/Reappointment to Boards and Commissions** – Consider approval regarding appointments to Boards/Commissions. The following reappointments by Council Member Fowler were made:
  - 1. Reappoint Harlan Streater to the Fire Services Board
  - 2. Reappoint Trenton Tidwell to the Planning and Zoning Commission
  - 3. Reappoint Willis Odell to the Zoning Board of Adjustment***The reappointments were approved unanimously.***

**EXCUSED ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- 10. **Attendance Requirements** – Consideration regarding excused absences of Council Members according to Article III, Sec. 3.07 (a). Attendance Requirements of the Haltom City Charter. Mayor Pro Tem Watkins moved, seconded by Council Member Garrett, to approve the absence of Council Member Davenport. ***The Council unanimously approved the absence.***

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

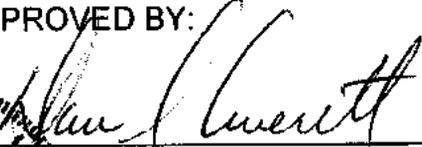
Mayor Averitt adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

APPROVED BY:

  
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 Art Camacho, City Secretary



  
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 David Averitt, Mayor