

**MINUTES OF THE
CONROE CITY COUNCIL**

December 13 & 14, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER
CALL OF ROLL**

**PRESENT: Mayor Powell
Mayor Pro Tem Coon
Council Members Gibson, Martin, Ham, and Snider
City Administrator Paul Virgadamo
City Attorney Marcus Winberry
City Secretary Soco M. Gorjón**

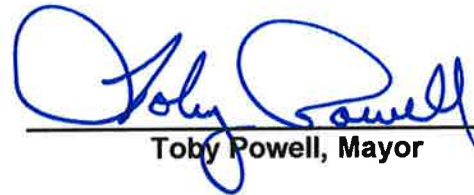
After a roll call by the City Secretary establishing a quorum was present, the workshop meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Mayor Powell.

The meeting agenda, which was posted in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, was presented.

Agenda folders containing data relating to agenda items had been furnished to Council Members prior to the meeting of the Council.

Agenda items were considered by the Council. The action taken concerning such item is shown on the official Council Action Sheet attached hereto and made a part of these Minutes.

After all business properly brought before the Council had been considered, City Council adjourned.



Toby Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Soco M. Gorjón, City Secretary

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CONROE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Powell recognized Police Officer Gallegos for his 10 years of service.

At 2:02 p.m., Mayor Powell along with Council, City Administrator Paul Virgadamo, City Attorney Marcus Winberry, and City Secretary Soco M. Gorjón, recessed into a Closed Executive Session Chapter 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074 related to:

- Performance Evaluation of the Fire Chief
- Discuss land acquisition
- Discuss acquired building on Wilson Road East
- Discuss property for lift station at new wastewater treatment plant
- SJRA GRP Contract Litigation
- Litigation with Lone Star Groundwater Conservation on District Rules.

The Closed Executive Session was recessed at 2:20 p.m.

CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 14-82 – GROUP HOMES – AMEND INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska asked Council to consider proposed amendments to the Code of Ordinances Chapter 14-82, Group Homes. Mayor and Council expressed their concerns for fire protection, security, and the general wellbeing of any of the residents leaving in the group homes. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to not make any rush decisions but to form a committee to review the Ordinance and to make the right decisions and to have it ready for action by next January. Former Mayor Carter Moore thanked the Council for their efforts to address the ongoing problems the community is facing.

PARK CUSTODIAL SERVICES CONTRACT

Parks Department Director Mike Riggins presented Council the proposed contract for Park Custodial Services. Mr. Riggins stated staff recommended DeAngelo Brothers, LLC (DBi). He informed that they were currently providing landscaping services for the City and were able to provide a competitive bid in the amount of \$124,643.00.

CONROE FOUNDERS PLAZA

Parks Department Director Mike Riggins introduced Dave Parsons with the Montgomery County Literary Arts Council, who addressed Council and asked Council to consider installing a bust of Annette Gordon-Reed, PhD, at Founders Plaza for all of her accomplishments. Mr. Riggins stated that the Montgomery County Literary Arts Council would fund the creation of the bust as well as the installation.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ARTS – CULTURAL DISTRICT DESIGNATION

Communications Coordinator Victoria Endsley presented Council the Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA) – Cultural District Designation, discussed future steps and updated Council on the progress and submission of the letter of intent to the TCA requesting designation. As authorized by H.B. 2208 of the 79th Legislature, the TCA could designate cultural districts in cities across Texas. Former Councilwoman Marsha Porter addressed Council to update on the committee's progress and to recognize Mrs. Endsley's outstanding work with the project. Mayor Powell and Council thanked Mrs. Endsley and Ms. Porter for their work on the project.

FIRE STATION 4 – MOLD REMEDIATION

Fire Chief Ken Kreger presented Council the proposed procurement of a Mold Remediation Contract for Fire Station No. 4. Chief Kreger stated that mold was detected at Fire Station #4, due to heavy condensation of the HVAC units. Chief Kreger requested the project be awarded to ServPro in the amount of \$90,525.89.

POLICE TRAINING FACILITY

Police Chief Philip Dupuis presented Council the proposed new training classroom, berm enhancements, and new drainage for the Training Facility to repair the damage from Hurricane Harvey. He stated this proposal was to

POLICE TRAINING FACILITY - CONTINUATION

raise the berm by 5- feet, install new drainage, construct a larger classroom building and elevate it to help prevent future flooding. Chief Dupuis stated it was possible that funds could be received from the FBI, FEMA, and insurance. Mayor Powell requested numbers from Chief Dupuis to present to Senator Cruz and Congressman Brady to inquire about better funds. Mayor Pro Tem Coon stated he was concerned about the soft cost and requested further discussion. Councilman Duane Ham stated concern regarding the berm elevation and having a helicopter pad site.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-01 – SADDLE AND SURREY

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-01, which includes the area known as Saddle and Surrey, as presented in Public Hearings held on November 8, 2017 and November 9, 2017, to be effective December 31, 2017, 11:59 p.m.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-02 – LAKE LORRAINE

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-02, which includes the area known as Lake Lorraine, as presented in Public Hearings held on November 8, 2017 and November 9, 2017, to be effective December 31, 2017, 11:59 p.m.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-03 – PINE LAKE

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-03, which includes the area known as Pine Lake, as presented in Public Hearings held on November 8, 2017 and November 9, 2017, to be effective December 31, 2017, 11:59 p.m.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-04 – WHITE OAK RANCH

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-04, which includes the area known as White Oak Ranch, as presented in Public Hearings held on November 8, 2017 and November 9, 2017, to effective December 31, 2017, 11:59 p.m.

THREE-YEAR ANNEXATION PLAN

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Ordinance amending the City of Conroe's 3-Year Annexation Plan, to include Parcel No. 2017-07, Lakewood Estates Area; 2017-08, Lake Conroe Village; 2017-09 Riverbrook–Forest Hills; and 2017-10, Carriage Hills; as presented in Council Workshop on October 12, 2017. Ms. Mikeska discussed all five parcels with Mayor and Council. She pointed out that the timeline for the process is set out by the Tex. Gov. Code, and there would be a final vote on each 3-year Annexation Plan parcel in December of 2020. If approved by the Council at that time, those parcels will come into the City in December 2020.

CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 90 - SIGNS

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed changes to the Code of Ordinances Chapter 90, Signs. Mrs. Mikeska stated the purpose of these changes was to provide traffic safety, litter control and to preserve an outdoor environment that is esthetically pleasing to the community. This applies to the incorporated city limits and not the ETJ. Mrs. Mikeska noted that new billboards were prohibited in the city limits and the ETJ and this Ordinance concentrates on sign maintenance. Councilman Gibson suggested Section 90-7(b) "Attention getting devices" be changed to two times per year to facilitate enforcement instead of four times. Councilman Gibson also suggested that the requirement in Section 90-3(b) wording be changed from 60% to 50% concerning the cost to repair a sign. City Attorney Marc Winberry stated he would look into Councilman Gibson's suggestions in regard to the State statute. Councilman Martin requested that the City look at sign height in the future.

CHAPTER 102, VEGETATION, AKA TREE ORDINANCE

This item was withdrawn.

VARIANCE REQUESTS– THE FATHER'S HOUSE CHURCH – 1127 SOUTH 1ST ST & SILVERDALE

This item was withdrawn.

CREATION OF MUD 152

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Resolution consenting to the creation of MUD 152, as an Out-of-City, ETJ Municipal Utility District, located southeast of the City of Conroe and partially within the City of Conroe's ETJ, and partially located in an area not included in any extraterritorial jurisdiction. Mrs. Mikeska stated the proposed MUD has agreed the District would be in the City of Conroe ETJ. The preliminary land plan includes a recreation center along with linear parks and walking trails along natural streams and corridors. The proposed Resolution also included a future strategic partnership, which would include a future annexation clause. Staff recommends approval of the Resolution.

2016 CDBG COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER)

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the 2016 CDBG Comprehensive Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for submission to HUD for their review and consideration. Staff recommended approval of the Resolution. Councilman Gibson inquired on the amount the City would be receiving in the coming year and Ms. Mikeska responded it would be approximately \$500,000.00.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Resolution re-appointing members to the City of Conroe Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Committee and setting their terms of appointment. Mrs. Mikeska requested reappointment of Richard Murphy, Housing Target Area Representative and Community Leader, Audrey Harris, Senior and Community Leader, and Rev. Pete Rucker, Community Leader and Activist. Staff recommended approval of the Resolution.

ELECTRICAL TRADE BOARD – RE-APPOINTMENT

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Resolution re-appointing a member to the City of Conroe Electrical Trade Board, and setting terms of appointment. Staff recommended approval of re-appointing Mr. Robert McCaffety, local business owner and Master Electrician, term to expire, December 31, 2020.

PLUMBING TRADE BOARD – RE-APPOINTMENT

Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska presented Council the proposed Resolution re-appointing a member to the City of Conroe Plumbing Trade Board, and setting terms of appointment. Staff recommended approval of re-appointing Mr. Lindon Ganson, local business owner, term to expire, December 31, 2020.

COBB FENDLEY'S PROPOSAL – STG. ED HOLCOMB WATER LINE EXTENSION

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council Cobb Fendley's professional services proposal for the Sgt. Ed Holcomb Water Line Extension. The project is approximately 3,500 linear feet extension of a 12-inch waterline with necessary valves and appurtenances, with tie-ins at the north and south ends. Staff recommended the proposal be approved in the amount of \$64,747.00.

ABANDONMENT OF 1.50 ACRE – SPIRIT OF TEXAS BANK DEVELOPMENT

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the proposed request for the abandonment of a 1.50-acre Combination Sidewalk, Drainage, and Utility Easement for the Spirit of Texas Bank Development. Mr. Woolley stated the bank had decided that a storm sewer and sidewalk was no longer necessary and requested the City to abandon the easement. Mr. Woolley stated the City would still have access to Alligator Creek. Mayor Pro Tem Coon inquired what the bank planned to do with part of the abandonment that ran east to west. Engineer John Bleyl addressed Council to provide clarification and stated this would not affect the Alligator Creek easement. Mayor Pro Tem Coon requested more information and the overlay for clarification in order to make a decision.

PUBLIC HEARING - ABANDONMENT OF 1.50 ACRE – SPIRIT OF TEXAS BANK DEVELOPMENT

At 3:47 p.m., Mayor Powell recessed the Open Meeting in order to conduct a Public Hearing for the abandonment of a 1.50-acre Combination Sidewalk, Drainage, and Utility Easement for the Spirit of Texas Bank Development.

After receiving no comments, Mayor Powell closed the Public Hearing at 3:47 p.m.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES – TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT LOOP 336 & IH-45

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the Liquidated Damages Traffic Signal at Loop 336 and IH-45. Mr. Woolley stated Third Coast was the contractor and they were 54 days (\$1,000/day) over the contract after allowing 85 additional days for bad weather and delays beyond the contractor's control. Mr. Woolley asked the Council to authorize liquidated damages in the amount of \$54,000 to be deducted from the contractor's final payment. Mayor Pro Tem Coon stated there were recurring issues with Third Coast that needed to be addressed and corrected to which Mr. Woolley stated he was looking into it.

BID AWARD - WILSON ROAD EAST PROJECT

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the bid results for the Wilson Road East Project. Mr. Woolley stated that six (6) bids were received, evaluated, and scored by the committee for Wilson Road East Project and that staff recommended the contract be awarded to Triple B Services in the amount of \$4,729,988.95. Mr. Woolley stated the new traffic signal would be installed at the intersection of Wilson and Frazier and the islands would be shifted to be made smaller.

BID AWARD-PLANTATION DRIVE & LEAGUE LINE ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECTS

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the bid results for Plantation Drive and League Line Road Sidewalk Projects. He stated four (4) bids were received, evaluated, and scored by the committee and staff recommended the contract be awarded to Precise Services in the amount of \$617,930.25. Councilman Ham requested that Public Works place cones behind their trucks when they are mowing instead of parking their trucks on the sidewalks.

BID AWARD - SAFE SCHOOL ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the bid results for Safe School Access Improvements Project. Mr. Woolley stated there were three (3) bids received, evaluated, and scored by the committee. Staff recommended the contract be awarded to Texas Wall & Landscape, LLC in the amount of \$1,295,513. Mr. Woolley pointed out that stated this project had some FTA and CISD money that would help with the 20% match and share.

CIP RAILROAD CROSSING UPGRADE - CRIGHTON ROAD AT IH-45

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley presented Council the CIP Railroad Crossing Upgrade for Crighton Road at IH-45. Mr. Woolley stated the scope would widen the crossing to match the newly widened roadway. He pointed out that in February 2017, the City Council approved the Improvement Agreement for the upgrade and the estimated time for the update was July 2017; however, during the CIP budget preparation process the project was moved out to FY 20-21. Staff recommended moving the funding (\$1,374,000.) to the current budget year to avoid delays in the project. Councilman Martin inquired how this would affect the City's budget and budget amendments. Assistant City Administrator/CFO Steve Williams stated that the Training Facility project and this project were different and explained that sliding a project up a couple of years has less of an impact on tax rate than completely adding a new project. Councilman Gibson stated that this item was bumped back in last year's Budget Workshop to meet the tax rate and stated his concerns how it would affect the budget. Mr. Woolley stated the City has already started paying out of the Engineering and Operations Budget for this project's permits, agreement, and design, and the Railroad has already started their work; therefore, if the City walks off the project they would have to pay the Railroad for the work already completed.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND CENTRAL PARK SEC 4 REPLAT NO.1

Interim Engineering Director Tommy Woolley introduced Mr. Adam Dulush, who addressed Council and made a presentation of Grand Central Park Section 4, Replat No. 1, a unit development. Mr. Dulush stated the proposed 2.103-acre unit development consisted of 20 lots and two open space reserves, in 1 block, having a 41-foot wide by 95-foot deep, average lot size. Mr. Dulush stated that the Preliminary Plat was conditionally approved by the Planning Commission at the meeting held on December 07, 2017. He pointed out that the homes would be duplex townhomes, one-story or 1.5 story homes with master bedrooms on the first floor and the Builder would be Lennar.

EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY RENTAL GENERATORS CONTRACT – WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Public Works Director Norman McGuire presented Council the proposed extension of Emergency Rental Generators Contract for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He stated that three months of rental for emergency generators at the Wastewater Treatment Plant was approved by the Council on September 15, 2017; but the power had taken longer than anticipated to get back on at the plant and the generators were needed for approximately three additional months. Staff recommended approval of the additional three months of rental with Sunbelt Rentals in the amount of \$209,530.92, which will require a budget amendment. Mr. McGuire stated the rental generators were not reimbursed through TML, but the costs would be submitted to FEMA for reimbursement. Assistant City Administrator/CFO Steve Williams stated this would be a Utility Fund issue and would come out of the Water and Sewer Operating Fund.

RENTAL OF EMERGENCY PUMPS AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Public Works Director Norman McGuire asked Council to consider the rental of emergency pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He stated the emergency pumps were initially rented for three months and the cost was under \$50,000.00; however the power had taken longer than anticipated to get back on at the plant and the pumps were needed for approximately three additional months. Staff recommended approval with Global Pump in the amount of \$46,318.50 and the total amount of rental cost for pumps would not exceed \$92,637.00.

BID AWARD - OWEN THEATER AUDIO EQUIPMENT

Assistant City Administrator/CFO Steve Williams presented Council the bid for the Owen Theater audio equipment. Mr. Williams stated Staff recommended the project be awarded to lowest bidder, Porche Advances Systems, LLC in the amount of \$70,404.21.

BOND UNDERWRITERS

Assistant City Administrator/CFO Steve Williams presented Council the proposed approval of Bond Underwriters. Mr. Williams stated on October 30, 2017, the City issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Bond Underwriting Services for its proposed 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan and any other negotiated bond underwritings deemed necessary by the City during the next 5 years ending December 31, 2022. Staff recommended a pool of six (6) firms made up of the following companies: Hilltop Securities; FTN Financial Capital Markets; Hutchinson, Shockey, Erley, & Co.; Raymond James; RBC Capital Markets; and Wells Fargo Securities.

DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF THE WESTWOOD MAGNOLIA PARKWAY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

City Attorney Marc Winberry presented Council the proposed Resolution appointing a director to the Board of the Westwood Magnolia Parkway Improvement District. Mr. Winberry stated the District had requested that Conroe reappoint James David Wallace who has served on the board since 2006 and that Staff recommended approval.

At 4:20 p.m., Mayor Powell along with Council, City Administrator Paul Virgadamo, City Attorney Marcus Winberry, and City Secretary Soco M. Gorjón, recessed into a Closed Executive Session Chapter 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074 related to:

- **Performance Evaluation of the Fire Chief**
- **Discuss land acquisition**
- **Discuss acquired building on Wilson Road East**
- **Discuss property for lift station at new wastewater treatment plant**
- **SJRA GRP Contract Litigation**
- **Litigation with Lone Star Groundwater Conservation on District Rules.**

The Closed Executive Session was recessed at 4:46 pm.

BRIEFING

None

COUNCIL MEMBERS INQUIRY TIME

Mayor Pro Tem Coon requested staff to look into some of the railroad companies that have yards along Pacific Street and First Street (Union Pacific and BNSF) to make sure they clean up their facilities.

There being no further business brought before the Council, the meeting was recessed until tomorrow at 6:00 p.m.

RECONVENE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CONROE CITY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

CALL OF ROLL

PRESENT: Mayor Powell
Mayor Pro Tem Coon
Council Members Gibson, Martin, Ham and Snider
City Administrator Paul Virgadamo
City Attorney Marcus Winberry
City Secretary Soco M. Gorjón

INVOCATION/PLEDGE: Pastor Raymond McDonald – Vineyard Church

Mayor Powell recognized Police Officer A. Lupnitz for his 7½ years of service to the Police Department.

CITIZEN INQUIRY

Solomon Zhuo addressed Council concerning a problem with Utility Billing while he was out of state and his water was shutoff due to a delinquent payment. He stated this was his first late payment in ten years. Mayor Powell asked City Administrator Paul Virgadamo to address the issue.

Mike Bleier, President of the Lake Conroe Association, addressed Council to inform them of the Petition initiated out of Kingwood to reduce the Lake Conroe Water level by 3 feet.

Janice Henry addressed Council due to the annexation for her subdivision of Pine Lake. She is opposed to the annexation.

Mark Frank addressed Council concerning the annexation agenda items and requested that Council ended their terms with the wishes of the citizens of Conroe and with integrity.

Ken Thomet addressed Council in opposition of annexation as he has resided at 17620 Highway 105 West for 48 years and his family owns April Plaza Marina. He stated that he had not been notified and requested these two properties to be removed from the annexation. Mayor Pro Tem Coon requested the Community Development Director Nancy Mikeska follow up with Mr. Thomet on the notification he did not receive.

Troy Schroeder addressed Council concerning the annexation of his subdivision, Pine Lake, and passed out documentation for expensive repairs they have made to their water services. He inquired if Conroe would be taking over these repair issues. Mr. Schroeder was against the forced annexation.

Al Fogle, Attorney for Montgomery County ESD 3, addressed Council concerning ISO Ratings that would change after the annexation.

Albert and Rebecca Rodriguez addressed Council concerning the annexation of Pine Lake. Mrs. Rodriguez stated they were on Pine Lake Road and were 25-30 feet above the level of the Lake and addressed her concerns that the Fire Department could put a fire out in a timely manner. She requested a fire hydrant on her property.

Councilman Martin inquired from Chief Kreger clarification concerning water and the ISO Ratings. Chief Kreger affirmed that the Master Plan in the future does request water hydrants and stated the ISO ratings were affected when changes occur.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING FACILITY

Police Chief Dupuis addressed Council and stated that PGAL would do a project study to determine exact pricing and would bring the item back to Council within the next couple of months. This item was deferred.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-01 – SADDLE AND SURREY

Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-01, which includes the area known as Saddle and Surrey as presented. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. Councilman Ham and Mayor Pro Tem Coon opposed the motion. Motion carried.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-02 – LAKE LORRAINE

Councilman Gibson made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-02, which includes the area known as Lake Lorraine as presented. Councilman Snider seconded the motion. Councilman Ham and Mayor Pro Tem Coon opposed the motion. Motion carried.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-03 – PINE LAKE

Councilman Snider made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-03, which includes the area known as Pine Lake as presented. Councilman Martin seconded the motion. Councilman Ham and Mayor Pro Tem Coon opposed the motion. Motion carried.

ANNEXATION OF PARCEL 2017-04 – WHITE OAK RANCH

City Attorney Marcus Winberry informed the Ordinance was amended to reflect the effective date as Jan. 2, 2017.

Councilman Gibson made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance for the Annexation of Parcel 2017-04, which includes the area known as White Oak Ranch as presented. Councilman Martin seconded the motion. Councilman Ham and Mayor Pro Tem Coon opposed the motion. Motion carried.

THREE-YEAR ANNEXATION PLAN – 2017-07, 2017-08, 2017-09, 2017-10, 2017

Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed Ordinance amending the City of Conroe's 3-Year Annexation Plan, to include Parcel No. 2017-07, Lakewood Estates Area; 2017-08, Lake Conroe Village; 2017-09 Riverbrook–Forest Hills; 2017-10, Carriage Hills as presented. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Coon and Councilman Ham opposed. Motion carried.

CODE OF ORDINANCES – GROUP HOMES AMENDMENTS

This item was deferred.

CODE OF ORDINANCES – CHAPTER 90- SIGNS

City Attorney Marcus Winberry stated the Ordinance was amended so that 90-7(b) "Attention getting devices" would reflect two times a year instead of four.

Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the Code of Ordinances Chapter 90, Signs as presented. Councilman Ham seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CHAPTER 102, VEGETATION, AKA TREE ORDINANCE – POPLAR BUSINESS PARK

This item was withdrawn.

VARIANCE REQUEST – THE FATHER'S HOME

This item was withdrawn.

CREATION OF MUD 152

Councilman Ham made a motion to approve the proposed Resolution consenting to the creation of MUD 152 as presented. Councilman Gibson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ABANDONMENT OF 1.50-ACRE EASEMENT – SPIRIT OF TEXAS BANK DEVELOPMENT

Councilman Ham made a motion to approve the proposed request for the abandonment of a 1.50-acre Combination Sidewalk, Drainage, and Utility Easement for the Spirit of Texas Bank Development as presented. Councilman Snider seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES – TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT LOOP 336 & IH-45

Councilman Gibson made a motion to approve the liquidated damages for the Traffic Signal at Loop 336 and IH-45 Project as presented. Councilman Ham seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OCTOBER 2017 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Assistant City Administrator/CFO Steve Williams presented Council the October 2017 Monthly Financial Summary Report for their review and consideration.

Councilman Ham made a motion to approve the October 2017 Monthly Financial Summary Report as presented. Councilman Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Martin to approve the Consent Agenda, Items 14 through 37 excluding Item 18, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- Approve contract for Park Custodial Services.
- Approve the installation of a bust at Conroe Founders Plaza.
- Approve appointment of a member to the Conroe Civil Service Commission – Catherine Prestigiovanni.
- Approve procurement of a Mold Remediation Contractor for Fire Station No. 4.
- Approve the 2016 CDBG Comprehensive Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for submission to HUD.
- Approve a Resolution re-appointing members to the City of Conroe Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Committee and setting their terms of appointment.
- Approve a Resolution re-appointing a member to the City of Conroe Electrical Trade Board per City Ordinance, and setting terms of appointment.
- Approve a Resolution re-appointing a member to the City of Conroe Plumbing Trade Board per City Ordinance, and setting terms of appointment.
- Approve Cobb Fendley's professional services proposal for the Sgt. Ed Holcomb Water Line Extension.
- Award Wilson Road East Project bid to Triple B Services in the amount of \$4,729,988.95.
- Approve Plantation Drive and League Line Road Sidewalk Projects bid to Precise Services in the amount of \$617,930.25.
- Approve Safe School Access Improvements Projects bit to Texas Wall & Landscape, LLC in the amount of \$1,295,513.
- Approve the CIP Railroad Crossing Upgrade – Crighton Road at IH-45.
- Approve Grand Central Park Section 4 Replat No. 1, a Unit Development, for approval to move forward toward final plat recordation.
- Approve extension of Emergency Rental Generators Contract for Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Approve rental of Emergency Pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Approve Owen Theater Audio Equipment bid to Porche Advanced Systems, for \$70,404.21.
- Approve Bond Underwriters.

CONSENT AGENDA -CONTINUATION

- Approve Resolution appointing a Director to the Board of the Westwood Magnolia Parkway Improvement District.
- Approve Ordinance authorizing participation with other Entergy service area cities in regulatory proceedings at the Texas Public Utility Commission concerning Entergy Texas, Inc.
- Approve Commission and Board Meeting absences
 - 10/05/2017 Meeting: Jim Arnold
 - 11/02/2017 Meeting: Chris Caywood
 - 11/16/2017 Meeting: Steve Hailey, Curt Maddux, Chris Baughman
- Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes held October 11 and 12, 2017, October 25 and 26, 2017, and Special Council Meeting Minutes held October 26, 2017.

• **Payment of Statements :**

• Stealth Partner Group	Inv. No. 1-Dec – Stop Loss Coverage	\$ 72,940.80
• Christensen Building Group	Inv. No. 10 Fire Station 7 – Construction	\$ 355,214.00
• Christensen Building Group	Inv. No. 10 - Fire Training Facility	\$ 100,000.00
• Christensen Building Group	Inv. No. 11 - Fire Station 7	\$ 228,173.00
• Third Coast Services	Inv. No 6A – Traffic Signal Install. South Loop 336 & I45	\$ 55,789.27
• Lockwood, Andrews & Newman	Inv. No 38 – WWTP Project Phase IV	\$ 52,068.62
• LEM Construction	Inv. No. 4 – Windsor Lakes Liftstation	\$ 63,650.00
• LEM Construction	Inv. No. 5 – Windsor Lakes Liftstation	\$ 200,488.66
• TCEQ	Inv. No. PHS0175961 – Water System Permit Fees	\$ 62,364.75
• TCEQ	Inv. No. CWQ0052703 – Water System Permit Fees	\$ 58,892.40
• Sunbelt Rentals	Inv. No. 72357064-0002 – Generator Rentals Treatment Plant	\$ 68,131.75
• Fused Industries	Inv. No. 2 – Sanitary Sewer SH 105 & I45 Phase 2	\$ 215,713.65
• Associated Supply Company	Inv. No. E16320 – New Case w/Rops Caopy	\$ 75,500.00
• Hahn Equipment Co.	Inv. No. 99945 – Flyght Muntismart Pump Units	\$ 63,032.00
• Protocol Bookkeeping Inc.	Inv. No. Computer Gen – Capacity Reservation Fee	\$ 84,337.50
• Texas Community Alliance/ New Danville	Inv. No. 8222017 – 2017 Startfans II Vehicles	\$ 103,192.00
• Buckalew Chevrolet	Inv. No. P2311/2304/2297 – 2017 Chev. Caprices/Patrol Vehicles	\$ 82,530.00
• Traf-Tex Inc.	Inv. No. 2 – Traffic Signal FM 1484 League Line/ Deison Tech Pk.	\$ 174,286.13
• Alcott, Inc. dba TCH	Inv. No. 1 – Windsor Lakes Force Main	\$ 596,794.75
• Wharton-Smith	Inv. No. 1 – WWTP Emg. Rpr. Hurricane Harvey	\$ 163,222.24
• SJRA/GRP Division	Surface Water fee per SJRA	\$ 705,587.69
• Locke Lord	Inv. No. 1372332 – Legal Services	\$ 141,793.70

There being no further business to consider the meeting adjourned.

Councilman Martin stated that Conroe was growing and had been recognized as the fastest growing City. Mr. Martin pointed out that annexation sometimes can be hard to understand but we must move on for the growth of the City.