

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 12, 2016**

1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Luis Lamas presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Luis Lamas and Council Members Ben Tucker, Bill Underbrink, Oscar Adame, Steve Diehl and John Schack. Council Members Absent: Council Member Dennis Knippa. Staff present: City Manager Jim Gray, City Attorney Michael Morris, and City Secretary Kimberly Sampson. There were approximately 20 guests.

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Presentations from the Audience

There were no presentations from the audience.

5. Consideration and action of the Minutes of the City Council Meetings of June 14 and 21, 2016.

Council Member Underbrink made a motion to approve the minutes of the City Council Meetings of June 21 and 28, 2016; and was seconded by Council Member Tucker. The motion was approved Mayor Lamas and Council Members Tucker, Underbrink, Diehl, and Schack voting aye; and Council Member Adame abstaining because he was not present.

(It was noted after the meeting that the correct minutes of June 21 and 28, 2016 were attached, reviewed, and approved. The agenda item was incorrectly printed as June 14 and 21, 2016. The June 28, 2016 minutes will be resubmitted for clarification.)

6. Presentation by Patterson & Associates regarding overview of current financial markets and review of City's Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ending May 31, 2016.

Ms. Linda Patterson of Patterson and Associates provided an overview of the City's portfolio and yields.

Council Member Diehl questioned the investment of the bond funds and the co-mingling of Hotel/Motel funds. Ms. Patterson reassured the Council that her staff is monitoring the funds regularly to make sure the City doesn't lose money with the investments. She also stated there is no statutory issue with the co-mingling of the various funds as long as the City properly tracks those funds; which the City does with the Incode software system.

Council Member Diehl further questioned the date of the contract with Patterson and Associates and when it is up for renewal. He suggested that be brought back to Council soon.

7. Consideration and action authorizing the staff to move forward with a City-wide program to provide street lights and thereby provide direction to staff where these funds will be allocated from.

Police Chief Stan Bynum stated there are currently over 330 street lights in Ingleside. He has spoken with numerous cities throughout Texas and there is no policy exactly alike other than when a new development is being built that the developer is required to install street lights. The Texas Uniform Traffic Code recommends at intersections. The study indicates the following items: (1) there are 17 intersections that have existing electrical poles and sufficient electricity; (2) there are 13 intersections that have an existing pole, but no secondary power source; and (3) there are 36 intersections that do not have poles at all. The cost to install the typical Sodium Vapor Lights is: (1) no cost; (2) \$3800/location; and (3) \$4800/location, respectively. Once these are installed the monthly bill is approximately \$30/month/location.

Mayor Lamas stated he requested this due to numerous home break-ins along Avenue A, Mooney, Morgan, Kenny Lane, etc. He questioned why the intersections along Avenue A was not included in the study and Chief Bynum stated he didn't include if there was not a house nearby. Mayor Lamas stated he wanted them added to the listing.

Additional concerns are those intersections that have heavy foliage. If a tree or numerous trees are in the close vicinity of the intersection, the lighting would be above the tree canopy and thereby not of any assistance unless the City had a policy for those trees to be cut back; which could be a very difficult issue with most property owners. Chief Bynum also stated that those intersections along SH-361 and FM 1069 are the State of Texas jurisdiction and we can request them to install lights as these locations, but it could be two-three years, if not longer, before any action is taken for them to add to their budget.

Council Member Diehl made a motion authorizing the staff to move forward with the 17 locations requiring only a light fixture (at no installation cost to the city) and to direct the staff to prepare a policy of how to move forward with the remainder of the intersections; and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Consideration and action of an Ordinance granting a Special Permit to be allowed to remove an existing mobile home and replace it with a recreational vehicle (RV), located at Lts 7-10, Block 7, RJ Williams Subdivision, also known as 2697 Ave. F RV/Mobile Home Park as shown on the Non-Conventional Housing Map and further providing for effective date, reading, severance, and publication. (Final Reading)

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Ordinance # 2016-13 granting a Special Permit to be allowed to remove an existing mobile home and replace it with a recreational vehicle (RV), located at Lts 7-10, Block 7, RJ Williams Subdivision, also known as 2697 Ave. F RV/Mobile Home Park as shown on the Non-Conventional Housing Map and further providing for effective date, reading, severance, and publication; and was seconded by Council Member Tucker.

Council Member Underbrink stated he has an issue with the 10-years and suggested that the City change the ordinances to allow for items such as this.

The motion was approved with Mayor Lamas and Council Members Tucker, Adame, Diehl, and Schack voting yes; and Council Member Underbrink voting no.

9. Consideration and action of the 2015 bond projects to include but not limited to drainage improvements.

John Michael of Naismith Engineering provided a map of Ingleside indicating the different drainage areas of town and included the acreage and the number of homes affected. Mr. Michael suggested the Avenue B outfall be a priority which would include Oklahoma and San Angelo areas of town. He also suggested a new outfall to be known as Emery Bellard outfall which would help those houses from Waco to West Main as well as relieve some of the stress on Avenue B outfall. He agreed there is a need of relief on Tiner Lane and other areas of town but the amount of money and/or the ability to obtain the necessary easements would be very costly. The cost of the Emery Bellard outfall is estimated to be \$243,155 and the cost of the Avenue B outfall is estimated to be \$4,083,612 for a total of \$4,326,767 which is still within budget. Emery Bellard would affect 144 homes and Avenue B would affect 255 homes.

Council Member Schack questioned if the Railroad drainage ditch could be connected to Avenue G drainage ditch and thereby connected to the Kenny Bayou or run to the Humble drainage channel instead of its current flow to the McCampbell Slough which is already a concern. Mr. Michael stated he would look into the viability and cost of that option and suggested that should Union Pacific Railroad ever abandon the line through Ingleside, that the City should do everything they can to obtain that area of town.

Council Member Underbrink made a motion for Naismith Engineers to proceed with the plans for Avenue B Outfall and Emery Bellard Outfall, including the discussions with landowners; and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

Due to technical difficulties Staff requested agenda item # 11 be moved up so Staff could attempt to fix the sound issue during the executive session.

11. Consideration and action regarding an interim city manager position including but not limited to the designation of an Interim City Manager. The City Council may meet in closed executive session in accordance with The Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultations with Attorney and Section 551.074, Personnel Matters to discuss other options relating to pending vacancy in City Manager position.

Mayor Lamas recessed the regular meeting in order to go into Closed Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor Lamas closed the Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Council Member Adame made a motion to appoint Police Chief Stan Bynum as the Temporary Interim City Manager and was seconded by Council Member Schack. The motion was approved unanimously.

12. Consideration and action to provide direction to Human Resources for the replacement of City Manager Jim Gray.

Council Member Diehl requested Council input into the search process of the City Manager with a search company and possibly citizen's input.

There was some discussion whether the City is required to use separate firms for the search of the Interim City Manager and/or the permanent City Manager. Additional discussion was had as to whether there is a need to use a list of minimum requirements and ask numerous search companies for a response versus going for a full RFP or RFQ process. City Attorney Michael Morris stated he would have to check the statutes and see if there are any such requirements. If there is not a state requirement the more expeditious method would be direct contact with these companies.

Council Member Schack made a motion authorizing the City Attorney, Human Resources, and the Mayor to work together to reach out to the search firms for the purpose of finding a firm to provide both an Interim City Manager and a permanent City Manager; if there is a State Statute requiring the City to use a full bid process, then that process will be followed. The motion was seconded by Council Member Underbrink and approved unanimously.

10. Receive the Departmental Reports for the month of June 2016.

Council Member Diehl questioned if the staff was aware of the recent damage to the Humble Center rental side and City Secretary Kimberly Sampson agreed the staff is aware of that damage.

Council Member Adame questioned if Public Works has the laser for ditch digging and City Manager Jim Gray stated it has been received and they are already using it.

13. Staff Reports

City Manager Jim Gray stated there is some activity on the Wildcat property West of Emery Bellard and they will be working on the environmental in coming months.

14. Requests from Council Members

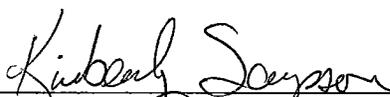
Council Member Diehl requested future agenda items for (a) Phase II of the Police Dispatcher consoles; (b) Lovers Lane Drainage; (c) upgrades to the Humble Center rental contract; and budget workshops. It was noted the workshops would be during the regular business hours of the City.

15. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



 Kimberly Sampson, City Secretary



 Mayor Luis Lamas