

**CITY OF SANTA FE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 26, 2010 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
12002 HWY. 6
SANTA FE, TEXAS**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Ralph Stenzel.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Ralph Stenzel
Mayor Pro-tem Joe Carothers
Councilmember Pat McCrary
Councilmember Jeff Tambrella
Councilmember Jim Abney
Councilmember Bubba Jannett
City Manager Joe Dickson
City Secretary Janet L. Davis
Absent: City Attorney Ellis J. Ortego, excused

The invocation was given by and the pledge of allegiance to the U. S. Flag and to the Texas Flag was led by City Manager Joe Dickson.

City Manager's Report: None

Consent Agenda

(All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.)

1. Consideration and possible action: Second and final reading of an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 02-03, commonly known as the City of Santa Fe Unified Development Code, or the Santa Fe Zoning Ordinance, 2002 Edition, the official zoning map adopted under Section 3.08, by adding a conditional use zoning classification for a restaurant in the NC – Neighborhood Commercial District, located at 13805 FM 1764, Santa Fe, Texas
2. Consideration and possible action: Second and final reading of an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 02-03, commonly known as the City of Santa Fe Unified Development Code, or the Santa Fe Zoning Ordinance, 2002 Edition, the official zoning map adopted under Section 3.08, by adding a conditional use zoning classification for an open air market in the HC – Highway Commercial District, located at 1111 FM 646 North, Santa Fe, Texas
3. Consideration and possible action: Second and final reading of an ordinance of the City of Santa Fe, Texas, amending Chapter 7, Personnel, Code of Ordinances, Section 7, Library, by amending Subsection A, Library Established and Subsection B, Gifts and Donations, to reference library policies adopted by resolution of the City Council

4. **Consideration and possible action: Adoption of a resolution approving the 2009/10 budget amendments of the Santa Fe Economic Development Corporation**
5. **Consideration and possible action: Adoption of a resolution approving the 2010/11 budget of the Santa Fe Economic Development Corporation**
6. **Consideration and possible action: Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Administrative Services Agreement between the City and the Santa Fe Economic Development Corporation for the 2010/11 fiscal year**

Motion by Councilmember Abney, seconded by Councilmember McCrary to pass all items on the consent agenda. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

Planning and Zoning Business: None

City Business (Other):

1. **Consideration and possible action: Public Hearing and Adoption of a resolution authorizing the submission of a 2011 – 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant application to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for the Community Development Fund and authorizing the Mayor to act as the executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the participation in the Texas Community Development program**

Mr. Bruce Spitzengel of GrantWorks, the city's grant administrator, said this resolution will authorize the submission of a grant application for available funds of \$350,000 with the match to be provided by WCID #8. The proposed eligible activities include water system improvements on 12th Street from Main to Avenue H and from Main to Avenue K, and on 16th Street from Main to Avenue H. The improvements consist of upgrading the existing 2" cast iron lines to 6" lines with fire hydrants. Mayor Stenzel opened the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. and after no public comments, closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. Motion by Councilmember Tambrella, seconded by Councilmember Carothers to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a 2011 – 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant application to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs for the Community Development Fund and authorizing the Mayor to act as the executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the participation in the Texas Community Development program. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

2. **Consideration and possible action: Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Galveston County WCID #8 to provide grant funds budgeted for the construction of water system improvements from the 2011 – 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Fund Contract by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs**

Mr. Bruce Spitzengel of GrantWorks, the city's grant administrator, said this resolution authorizes an agreement with the water district for water system improvements through the 2011-12 CDGB grant application. Motion by Councilmember Carothers, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella authorizing the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Galveston County WCID #8 to provide grant funds budgeted for the construction of water system improvements from the 2011 – 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Fund Contract by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

3. Consideration and possible action: Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Galveston County WCID #8 to provide grant funds budgeted for the construction of sewer system improvements from the 2008 Disaster Recovery Round 2 – Phase 1 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Fund Contract by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs

Mr. Bruce Spitzengel of GrantWorks, the city's administrator, said this agreement is with the water district for sewer system improvements for Round 2 Phase 1 of the Hurricane Ike relief funding of approximately \$780,000. The entire 2008 Disaster Recovery grant has been divided into rounds and phases with a total of \$3 million to be funded. There is no match for these grant funds. Motion by Councilmember McCrary, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to authorize the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Galveston County WCID #8 to provide grant funds budgeted for the construction of sewer system improvements from the 2008 Disaster Recovery Round 2 – Phase 1 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Fund Contract by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

4. Public Hearing: First public hearing on proposed tax increase

City Manager Joe Dickson said this the first public hearing to hear comments from the public about the proposed 5.4 percent increase in the effective tax rate of \$0.2954, which would bring the rate to the current rate of \$0.3114. Mayor Stenzel opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m. Mr. Larry Griswold of 4438 Burditt asked how much revenue the increase would generate and agreed that the funds were necessary. Mayor Stenzel announced that the meeting to vote on the tax rate will be held on September 9, 2010, at 7 p.m. in the council chambers at city hall. He also reminded Council that the second public hearing is scheduled for August 31, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the council chambers. Mayor Stenzel closed the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.

5. Workshop: Discussion of proposed 2010/11 general fund operating budget

Councilmembers continued to discuss the proposed budget. Councilmember McCrary asked about the shift coverage in the police department and agreed to add \$15,000 back into the police overtime budget. The City Attorney's requested increase was discussed and the majority of the Council was in favor of some increase, especially since he hasn't received an increase in 14 years. Councilmember Tambrella said even \$100 per month is a 12 percent increase. City Manager Joe Dickson said the City Attorney's professional rate is \$250/hr. All but Councilmember Jannett was in favor of an increase of \$100/mo. Council discussed the new municipal court program and its potential to increase municipal court revenue.

Announcements: The second public hearing on the proposed tax increase is scheduled for Tuesday, August 31, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Summary of action from this agenda, request for future agenda items, and scheduling future meetings
Meetings scheduled for August 31, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. and September 9, 2010, at 7 p.m.

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Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

RALPH STENZEL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Janet L. Davis, City Secretary