

**CITY OF SANTA FE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2012 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 Councilmember Jeff Tambrella Councilmember Pat McCrary Councilmember Bubba Jannett City Manager Joe Dickson Director of Administrative Services Pam Wood
	Absent:	Mayor Pro-tem Jim Abney, excused Councilmember Joe Carothers, excused City Attorney Ellis J. Ortego, excused City Secretary Janet L. Davis, 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.

Mayor's and City Manager's Report:

a. The minutes of 1/12/12 and 1/26/12 were approved as presented.

Planning and Zoning Business:

Old Business:

1. Consideration and possible action: Second and final reading of an ordinance of the City of Santa Fe, Texas, amending the text of Ordinance No. 02-03, commonly known as the City of Santa Fe Unified Development Code, or Santa Fe Zoning Ordinance, 2002 Edition, amending Article 7, Outdoor Advertising Sign Regulations, by adding regulations on digital signs, and providing for severability

City Manager Joe Dickson said we had the first reading of this ordinance a couple of months ago, and then Clear Channel asked that the second reading be tabled until they could address some concerns and propose some revisions to the language regarding the amortization of existing signs. After further review by the City Attorney and Clear Channel, the language regarding amortization remained the same and there were only minor changes to the ordinance, specifically the definition of a digital billboard and how it will be considered a legal sign once a digital sign agreement is in place. Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to pass the second and final reading of an ordinance of the City of Santa Fe, Texas, amending the text of Ordinance No. 02-03, commonly known as the City of Santa Fe Unified Development Code, or Santa Fe Zoning Ordinance, 2002 Edition, amending Article 7, Outdoor Advertising Sign Regulations, by adding regulations on digital signs, and providing for severability. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

New Business: None

City Business (Other):

Old Business:

1. Consideration and possible action: Granting/denying variance requests, as authorized by Chapter 8, Subdivisions, Section 3.14, Variances, Code of Ordinances, to request variances from the frontage on an improved street, the minimum street length of 400', and street construction requirements as required by Chapter 8, Subdivisions, Section 6.3, Streets, to allow the subdivision of two lots on a 17.9 acre tract at the end of Davis Hall Road, abutting Avenue T and the unimproved portion of 19th Street

City Manager Joe Dickson said we have a request to subdivide a parcel at the end of Davis Hall Road from a 17.9 acre tract abutting Avenue T and the unimproved portion of 19th Street. The city's subdivision regulations require frontage on an improved street; however, the Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the variance requests which would allow access to the lot from Davis Hall Road, no paving of 19th Street, and dedication of additional right-of-way in the event of future subdividing. Motion by Councilmember McCrary, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to grant the variance requests, as authorized by Chapter 8, Subdivisions, Section 3.14, Variances, Code of Ordinances, to request variances from the frontage on an improved street, the minimum street length of 400', and street construction requirements as required by Chapter 8, Subdivisions, Section 6.3, Streets, to allow the subdivision of two lots on a 17.9 acre tract at the end of Davis Hall Road, abutting Avenue T and the unimproved portion of 19th Street. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

City Business (Other):

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Consideration and possible action: Adoption of a resolution authorizing the aerial spraying for mosquito abatement

Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember McCrary to adopt the resolution authorizing the aerial spraying for mosquito abatement. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

2. Consideration and possible action: Awarding bid and authorizing Mayor to execute contract for contractor services for a sewer rehabilitation project at specific locations in the City of Santa Fe, Texas, funded by TDRA CDGB Disaster Recovery Non-Entitlement Grant Program Contract No. DRS010168

WCID #8 General Manager Tim Turner said this sewer rehab project is another disaster recovery grant project from the wastewater plant north toward 7th Street then west to Avenue J. SAK Construction, LLC, submitted a bid of \$397,847, the lowest of five bids, and our project engineer, John D. Mercer & Associates, has reviewed the bids and recommended that the contract for construction of the trunk sewer rehabilitation project be awarded to SAK Construction, LLC. Motion by Councilmember Tambrella,

seconded by Councilmember McCrary to award the bid and authorize the Mayor to execute contract for contractor services for a sewer rehabilitation project at specific locations in the City of Santa Fe, Texas, funded by TDRA CDGB Disaster Recovery Non-Entitlement Grant Program Contract No. DRS010168. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

3. Consideration and possible action: Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Deed Without Warranty to Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 8 for a 125,000 gallon storage tank funded by the TDRA CDBG Disaster Recovery Non-Entitlement Program Contract No. DRS010168 and presently in place at 12146 – 15th Street, Santa Fe, Texas

WCID #8 General Manager Tim Turner said WCID #8 agreed to assume full responsibility for the maintenance and operation of this storage tank beginning one year after completion of the improvements and acceptance by the City of Santa Fe. The project engineer, John D. Mercer & Associates, certified completion on February 25, 2011, and this deed will convey the improvement to WCID #8. Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to authorize the Mayor to execute the Deed Without Warranty to Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 8 for a 125,000 gallon storage tank funded by the TDRA CDBG Disaster Recovery Non-Entitlement Program Contract No. DRS010168 and presently in place at 12146 – 15th Street, Santa Fe, Texas. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

4. Consideration and possible action: Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Donation Deed and Agreement Concerning the Donation of Property to the Texas Department of Transportation conveying a portion of city property on FM 646 N for the FM 646 highway improvement project

City Manager Joe Dickson said the subject property is the city's proposed site for a new public safety building, and additional right-of-way is needed by TxDOT for the widening of FM 646 from FM 1764 south to Hwy. 6. Since the Santa Fe Economic Development Corporation is providing partially-reimbursable funds to purchase the additional right-of-way needed for this project, donating the property along the city's lot and foregoing an appraisal of the property would free up dollars to purchase other right-of-way along the corridor. Motion by Councilmember Tambrella, seconded by Councilmember McCrary to authorize the Mayor to execute the Donation Deed and Agreement Concerning the Donation of Property to the Texas Department of Transportation conveying a portion of city property on FM 646 N for the FM 646 highway improvement project. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

5. Executive Session, closed to the public, under Section 551.074, Government Code, to discuss the evaluation of the City Manager

Council adjourned at 7:14 p.m. into Executive Session, closed to the public, under Section 551.074, Government Code, to discuss the evaluation of the City Manager and reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

6. Consideration and possible action: Authorizing Mayor to execute an Addendum to the Employment Agreement between the City and City Manager Joe Dickson

Motion by Councilmember Tambrella, seconded by Councilmember Jannett to authorize the Mayor to execute the Addendum to the Employment Agreement between the City and City Manager Joe Dickson extending the term of the agreement to December 31, 2013, and increasing the phone allowance to not exceed eighty dollars. The motion passed the roll call vote unanimously.

Announcements: None

Summary of action from this agenda, request for future agenda items, and scheduling future meetings
The consensus of the community workshop last Tuesday regarding a bond proposal for the new public safety building was to submit the proposition to the voters in May. The last day to call the special election is March 5, but staff is proposing to have a special meeting on Tuesday, February 28, at 6 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Jannett, seconded by Councilmember Tambrella to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

RALPH STENZEL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Janet L. Davis, City Secretary