

SPECIAL SESSION

SEPTEMBER 4, 2013

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Special Session on Wednesday, September 4, 2013, 11:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Annex with the following members present, to-wit:

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor
Carol Barton
Aubrey Jones
Monte Montgomery

Pam Burton, City Administrator
Pam Watson, City Secretary
Conor Bateman, City Attorney

others present: Glen Herriage, Buddy Hill, John McQueary, David Hopkins, Haven Cox, Sherri Skeeters, Brian Malone, Katherine Lenz, Rich Flowers, Tyler Hendrickson and other interested citizens;

with the following member absent: Elaine Jenkins;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

The invocation was given by Councilmember Montgomery.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

DISCUSS ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS;

A) DISCUSS CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF N. PRAIRIEVILLE ST. ON OCTOBER 4, 2013, AS REQUESTED BY UNITED WAY AND CENTRAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

A representative was not present, therefore, there was no discussion.

B) DISCUSS AUTHORIZING USE OF CAIN PARK ON OCTOBER 18-19, 2013 FOR TEXAS SWING AND HERITAGE FESTIVAL, AS REQUESTED BY MICHAEL LENZ

Debra Wood appeared and requested authorization to use Cain Park for the Texas Swing and Heritage Festival. She explained that they will set up for the event on 10/18/13 and the Festival will be held on 10/19/13. She presented a site plan and liability insurance, and stated that they will have police presence, medical (ambulance) presence, and will provide clean-up after the event. The item will appear on the agenda Monday, 9/9/13.

C) DISCUSS A RESOLUTION SETTING THE TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

City Administrator Pam Burton explained that a Resolution setting the tax rate for fiscal year 2013-2014 will appear on the agenda Monday.

D) DISCUSS FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

Ms. Burton explained that final reading of an Ordinance adopting the budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 will appear on the agenda Monday.

E) DISCUSS APPROVING ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

Brian Malone, President & CEO of Athens Economic Development Corporation, explained that A.E.D.C. has approved their budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 and is requesting approval from the Council. The item will appear on the agenda Monday.

F) DISCUSS A RESOLUTION APPROVING ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR ARGON MEDICAL AND APPROVING PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT

Mr. Malone explained that A.E.D.C. has approved a \$106,433 Incentive Package for Argon Medical and if Argon Medical meets the terms of the Agreement, the funds will become a Grant. The item will appear on the agenda Monday.

G) DISCUSS AMENDMENT TO PERSONNEL POLICY, CHAPTER 5. ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE, SECTION 4. HOLIDAYS

Ms. Burton explained that the budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 includes the observance of Veterans Day as an official City Holiday, therefore, it will require an amendment to the Personnel Policy. The item will appear on the agenda Monday.

DISCUSS ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSENT AGENDA;

- A) DISCUSS APPROVING MINUTES OF THE JULY 24, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION, AUGUST 6, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION, AUGUST 7, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION AND AUGUST 12, 2013 REGULAR SESSION
- B) DISCUSS FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE REZONING LOT 73A, R.A. CLARK SURVEY FROM (MF-2) TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (DUPLEX HOMES) TO COMMERCIAL, OWNED BY JAMES M. MORTON (103 INDUSTRIAL)

These items will appear on the Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE,
1) SECTION 551.072 DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY;
DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE AND VALUE OF REAL
PROPERTY; 2) SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY;
CONSULTATION REGARDING CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session.

The City Council returned to Special Session.

CONSIDER ACTION RESULTING FROM DELIBERATIONS IN EXECUTIVE
SESSION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY

No action was taken.

CONSIDER ACTION RESULTING FROM DELIBERATIONS IN EXECUTIVE
SESSION REGARDING CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.

Jerry D. Vaught, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Watson, City Secretary