

REGULAR SESSION

NOVEMBER 12, 2012

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Regular Session on Monday, November 12, 2012, 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Annex with the following members present, to-wit:

Randy Daniel, Mayor
Jerry Don Vaught
Carol Barton
Elaine Jenkins
Aubrey Jones

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

others present: Gary Crecelius, Buddy Hill, John McQueary, David Hopkins, Haven Cox, Sherri Skeeters, Tyler Hendrickson and other interested citizens;

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

The invocation was given by Councilmember Jenkins.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

CONSIDER FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A BUS FRANCHISE TO THE CHARIOT BUS LINES, AS REQUESTED BY PASTOR ALAN COLEMAN/GATES COMMUNITY CHURCH

City Secretary Pam Watson read the Ordinance aloud. A motion was made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Barton to approve FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A BUS FRANCHISE TO THE CHARIOT BUS LINES. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION APPROVING ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR CHAMPION HOME BUILDERS AND APPROVING PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT

City Administrator Pam Burton explained that this Resolution will approve Athens Economic Development Corporation's Incentive Package for Champion Home Builders in the amount of \$101,500. A motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins to approve A RESOLUTION APPROVING ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S INCENTIVE PACKAGE FOR CHAMPION HOME BUILDERS AND APPROVING PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION, AS REQUESTED BY SEISMIC ENERGY FACILITY

Ms. Burton explained that Seismic Energy Facility is requesting support of a Municipal Setting Designation for their property located at 518 Progress Way. A motion was made by Councilmember Barton, seconded by Councilmember Vaught to approve A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION FOR SEISMIC ENERGY FACILITY. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH AMAZING GRANTS, INC. FOR GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, CONTRACT #712020

Ms. Burton explained that this contract is with Amazing Grants, Inc. for grant management services for the Texas Community Development Block Grant for first-time sewer. A motion was made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Barton to authorize the Mayor to execute Contract with Amazing Grants, Inc. for Grant Management Services for Texas Community Development Block Grant, Contract #712020. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH VELVIN & WEEKS CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FOR PROJECT ENGINEERING FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, CONTRACT #712020

Ms. Burton explained that this contract is with Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers for project engineering for the Texas Community Development Block Grant. A motion was made by Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember Jones to authorize the Mayor to execute Contract with Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers, Inc. for Project Engineering for Texas Community Development Block Grant, Contract #712020. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS AS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORS FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, CONTRACT #712020

Ms. Burton explained that this Resolution will designate the Mayor, City Administrator, City Secretary and Finance Director as authorized signators for Texas Community Development Block Grant. A motion was made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Barton to approve A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS AS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORS FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, CONTRACT #712020. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTING LABOR STANDARDS OFFICER FOR TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, CONTRACT #712020

Ms. Burton recommended that Mary Kay Thomas with Amazing Grants, Inc. be appointed as the Labor Standards Officer for the Texas Community Development Block Grant. A motion was made by Councilmember Vaught, seconded by Councilmember Jenkins to appoint Mary Kay Thomas as Labor Standards Officer for the Texas Community Development Block Grant, Contract #712020. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACTS FOR MEDICAL, DENTAL AND LIFE/LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE FOR CITY OF ATHENS EMPLOYEES

Ms. Burton explained that staff is recommending that medical insurance be renewed with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, life/long term disability insurance be renewed with Dearborn National and dental insurance be awarded to Ameritas Group. A motion was made by Councilmember Jenkins, seconded by Councilmember Barton that medical insurance be awarded to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas, life/long term disability insurance be renewed with Dearborn National and dental insurance be awarded to Ameritas Group. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA;

- A) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2012 SPECIAL SESSION AND OCTOBER 22, 2012 REGULAR SESSION
- B) CONSIDER FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE REZONING LOTS 4B, 4B1 & 4B2, BLOCK 100, ATHENS ORIGINAL TOWN FROM AGRICULTURE TO SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL-7, OWNED BY VICTOR BLANCAS (1117 N. PINKERTON ST.)
- C) CONSIDER AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE 2012 FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION
- D) CONSIDER CONDUCTING AND APPROVING CHAPTER 59 ASSET FORFEITURE AUDIT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012
- E) CONSIDER REQUEST TO DECORATE GINGER'S PARK DURING HOLIDAY SEASON
- F) CONSIDER CLOSING PORTIONS OF W. TYLER ST. AND S. PRAIRIEVILLE ST. ON DECEMBER 1, 2012, AS REQUESTED BY ATHENS LIFE FELLOWSHIP
- G) CONSIDER APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. ONE (1) FOR SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS AT WOOD STREET PROJECT
- H) CONSIDER AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TWO (2) NEW CURRENT MODEL 3/4-TON REGULAR CAB PICKUPS WITH SERVICE BODY FOR PARKS DEPARTMENT AND STREET DEPARTMENT
- I) CONSIDER AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ONE (1) NEW CURRENT MODEL 1/2-TON PICKUP FOR ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT

City Secretary Pam Watson read the Ordinance aloud. A motion was made by Councilmember Barton, seconded by Councilmember Vaught to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

There was no discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012.

Jerry Don Vaught, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Watson, City Secretary