

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2016
6:00 PM

Chairman Eric Neal called the Regular meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Eric Neal, District 3

COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Moon, District 1
LaDarius Carter, District 4
Larry Hurta, District 6

Michael Mitchell, District 2
Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Doug Lewis, District 7

ABSENT: Garrett Boersma, District 6

Ed Smith, District 7

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Agnor, City Manager
J.C. Hughes, Public Services Director
Jack Redmon, Support Services Director
Debbie Manuel, Acting City Secretary/Finance Director

Todd Fitts, City Attorney
Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief
Eddie Campa, Police Chief

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Carter

MINUTES

157. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 28, 2016 REGULAR MEETING; AND THE MAY 3, 2016 SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2016 Regular meeting; and the May 3, 2016 Special-Called meeting. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

CANVASS ELECTION

158. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON MAY 7, 2016.

City Attorney Todd Fitts read the results of the May 7, 2016 General Election into record.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to approve a Resolution canvassing the results of the General Election held on May 7, 2016. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

159. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF THE LOCAL OPTION ELECTION LEGALIZING THE LEGAL SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-PREMISE CONSUMPTION ONLY.

Todd Fitts read the results of the May 7, 2016 Local Option Election into record.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to approve an Ordinance canvassing the results of the Local Option Election to legalize the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only held on May 7, 2016. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the motion which passed with a vote of 5:0.

160. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION OF A PROPOSITION ON THE QUESTION OF THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL AT THE RATE OF 1/8TH OF ONE PERCENT TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS.

Todd Fitts read the results of the May 7, 2016 Special Election into record.

Commissioner Moon made a motion to approve an Ordinance canvassing the results of the special election of a proposition on the question of the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Marshall at the rate of 1/8th of one percent to continue providing revenue for the maintenance and repair of municipal streets. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 5:0.

PRESENTATION

161. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES TO OUTGOING CITY COMMISSIONERS.

Chairman Neal stated that plaques were prepared for outgoing City Commissioners Boersma and Smith in recognition of their work for the City of Marshall.

OATH OF OFFICE AND BOND APPROVAL

162. ISSUE OATH OF OFFICE FOR COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTING DISTRICTS 5, 6, AND 7.

Todd Fitts administered the Oath of Office for the Commissioners representing Districts 5, 6, and 7.

163. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BONDS FOR COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTING DISTRICTS 5, 6, AND 7.

Lisa Agnor, City Manager, asked for approval of bonds for City Commissioners representing Districts 5, 6, and 7.

Commissioner Mitchell made a motion to approve the bonds for Commissioners representing Districts 5, 6, and 7. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

164. PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL) – DISCUSSION OF CHAIRMAN, OR MAYOR, AND ACTING CHAIRMAN, OR MAYOR PRO-TEM, FOR THE CITY COMMISSION.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to forgo the executive session and proceed with the agenda. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND ACTING CHAIRMAN

165. CONSIDER ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN, OR MAYOR, FOR THE CITY COMMISSION.

Commissioner Carter nominated Commissioner Eric Neal for the position of Chairman, or Mayor, for the City Commission. Commissioner Calhoun seconded the nomination, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

166. CONSIDER ELECTION OF THE ACTING CHAIRMAN, OR MAYOR PRO-TEM, FOR THE CITY COMMISSION.

Commissioner Calhoun nominated Commissioner Moon as Acting Chairman, or Mayor Pro-Tem, for the City Commission. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the nomination, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

167. **PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

William Halliday, 604 County Club Drive, congratulated the newly elected City Commissioners, stated that the No Colors No Label presentation by Felicia Madden, Youth Services Manager of the Marshall Public Library, was excellent and that he feels that the City Charter is out of date and needs to be updated.

Narcie Crosby, 211 N. Bolivar, congratulated the newly elected City Commissioners and spoke regarding ongoing building projects in the City of Marshall.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION

168. DISCUSSION OF AND CONSIDERATION OF ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM WITH EAST TEXAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY TO ADDRESS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOR LOW TO MODERATE INCOME RESIDENTS.

Dr. J. Blair Blackburn, President of East Texas Baptist University, discussed a Neighborhood Renewal Initiative and a Construction Management Program in which the City of Marshall and ETBU could partner to address housing development for low to moderate income residents.

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding this item and asked questions regarding Dr. Blackburn's presentation.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to establish a program with East Texas Baptist University to address housing development for low to moderate income residents. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

169. DISCUSSION OF AND CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PST SERVICES, INC., ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY OF MARSHALL'S FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS AMBULANCE SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT PROGRAM.

Reggie Cooper, Fire Chief, asked for approval of authorizing the Marshall Fire Department to enter into an agreement with PST Services, Inc., associated with the City of Marshall's future participation in the Texas Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program.

Commissioner Carter asked questions of Reggie Cooper regarding this item.

Commissioner Carter made a motion to enter into an agreement with PST Services Inc., associated with the City of Marshall's future participation in the Texas Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion.

The Commission engaged in discussion regarding this item.

This item passed with a vote of 7:0.

170. REPORT AND DISCUSSION REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MARSHALL PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING.

Jack Redmon, Support Services Director, presented a report regarding improvements to the Marshall Public Library building.

Commissioners asked questions regarding this item.

171. REQUESTS FROM COMMISSIONERS FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS

- Report regarding the total amount of Reserves available to address the needs of City properties by source and amount.
- Report regarding City Staff recommendations of needed upgrades/repairs for Smith Park, Lions Park, and City Hall Annex.
- Report regarding the status of the Go Bus public transportation system.

172. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Carter made a motion for adjournment. Commissioner Moon seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 7:0.

APPROVED:

**Chairman of the City Commission
of the City of Marshall, Texas**

ATTEST:

Acting City Secretary

**Ordinances: O-16-09
 O-16-10
Resolution: R-16-09**