

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL
THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2015
6:00PM

Chairman Ed Smith called the Regular meeting to order in the Commission Chambers, City Hall at 6:00pm.

PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN: Ed Smith, District 7

COMMISSIONERS:

Gloria Moon, District 1
John Flowers, District 3
Bill Marshall, District 4

Vernia Calhoun, District 5
Garrett Boersma, District 6

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Kenneth Snyder, Acting City
Manager
Todd Fitts, City Attorney
Eddie Campa, Police Chief
J.C. Hughes, Public Services
Director

Lisa Agnor, City Secretary/Finance
Director
Jack Redmon, Support Services Director
Wes Morrison, Planning & Development
Director

INVOCATION & PLEDGE: Commissioner Moon

76. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mrs. Charles Wilson, 706 Whetstone, addressed the Commission, asking them to delay the appointment of a City Manager until after the May 9, 2015 City Election. She also expressed concerns regarding the City Commission Travel Policy being brought up again, asking the Commission to drop this issue. She also encouraged the City Commission, Harrison County Commissioners Court, and Marshall Independent School District to work together to move the community forward.

Leo Morris, 4500 Victory Drive, addressed the Commission expressing his opposition to the appointment of a City Manager prior to the May 9, 2015 City Election, citing concerns that citizens in District 2 are not currently represented on the City Commission.

Ron Munden, 507 Pumpkin Center Road, in reference to the previous presentations, pointed out that every citizen in the City of Marshall has two Commissioners, voted on in alternate years, so there is currently representation for citizens in District 2.

Michael Mitchell, 1404 University Avenue, said that he believes the citizens of District 2 have spoken, and asked the Commission to listen to their concerns.

Jana Sims, 4701 FM 2625 East, spoke on behalf of Elaine Slaughter, owner of Massage in Motion, who wished to thank Ed & Amanda Smith for allowing the Palms for Paws Team to participate in the Get Healthy Marshall event and raise funds in support of a new animal shelter.

Chairman Smith asked for a motion to take agenda items 5A and 5B out of order and to enter into Executive Session. The motion was made by Commissioner Marshall, and seconded by Commissioner Calhoun. The motion passed by a vote of 6:0. The time was 6:12 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

77. EXECUTIVE SESSION

SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE – CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THIS CHAPTER.

1. Discussion of matters related to contracts between Norit Americas, Inc., Harrison County, and the City of Marshall.

SECTION 551.071 – CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATED TO PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION REGARDING THE PREVIOUS ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN CONTRACT FOR MEMORIAL CITY HALL.

Commissioner Marshall made a motion to reconvene from Executive Session, which was seconded by Commissioner Calhoun. The motion passed by a vote of 6:0. The time was 6:40 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING:

78. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CONSOLIDATED 5-YEAR PLAN FOR 2015-2020.

Wes Morrison, Director of Planning and Development presented an overview of the proposed Community Development Block Grant Consolidated 5-Year Plan and the process by which the Community Development Advisory Committee determined its recommendations.

The Commission asked questions regarding the Community Development Block Grant Consolidated 5-Year Plan.

Chairman Smith opened the Public Hearing. No one came forward to speak, and Chairman Smith closed the Public Hearing.

PRESENTATIONS:

79. PRESENTATION REGARDING THE ALL-AMERICA CITY FINALIST DESIGNATION FOR THE CITY OF MARSHALL.

Christina Anderson presented a report on the 2015 All-America City Finalist Designation for the City of Marshall.

80. REPORT AND PRESENTATION BY GET HEALTHY MARSHALL, INC. ON THE HEALTHFEST WEEKEND EVENT HELD IN MARSHALL.

Amanda Smith, Jana Sims, and Paula Skipworth presented a report, on behalf of Get Healthy Marshall, Inc., on the recent HealthFest event in Marshall.

Due to severe weather in the area, the Commission engaged in discussion regarding whether to continue the meeting or to recess the meeting.

Commissioner Moon made a motion to recess the meeting and reconvene the meeting in the Special-Called Meeting already scheduled for Friday, April 10, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Calhoun.

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The Commission then engaged in further discussion regarding the matter.

After further discussion, the motion to recess the meeting received the following vote:

Ayes: 3, Chairman Smith, Commissioner Moon, Commissioner Calhoun

Noes: 2, Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Boersma

Abstain: 1, Commissioner Flowers

The meeting was recessed until 10:00 a.m., Friday, April 10, 2015.

APPROVED:



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

ATTEST:


City Secretary