

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
February 3, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on February 3, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Glenn Loch
Council Members Charles Draper, Jim Goldsworthy, Ray Nichols,
Vince Rippey, Beverly Snuggs

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carolyn Hendricks

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Steven Fleming, Police Chief; Kent Sharp, GEDC Executive Director; David Hersman, Golf Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Natalia Jones, Kit Chase, Stephen Monahan

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Loch called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with a quorum of members present. Mayor informed the audience that Council Member Hendricks was absent from the meeting due to a car accident she was involved in last week, and that she had suffered a broken leg and remains in the hospital at this time.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Reverend Duke Dowling, Southside Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Loch led the pledge to the flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2009 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Council reviewed the Minutes of the City Council Meeting of January 20, 2009 and approved them as written.

Councilmember Nichols moved to **approve the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Draper. Motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 absent (Hendricks).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-03-2009 – AWARD BID 2009-1 TO YAMAHA GOLF CAR COMPANY FOR LEASE PURCHASE AND RENTAL OF GOLF CARTS

A RESOLUTION AWARDED BID NO. 2009-1 TO YAMAHA GOLF-CAR COMPANY OF ARLINGTON, TEXAS FOR THE LEASE PURCHASE OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) GOLF CARTS FOR THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE FOR A PERIOD OF FORTY-EIGHT (48) MONTHS AT A COST OF FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$58,533.00) WITH

ADDITIONAL LEASE OF SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$65.00) PER CART PER MONTH FOR 10 SEASONAL CARTS.

Golf Director David Hersman reported that three companies responded to the City's advertised request for bids. Staff recommends the forty-eight month lease purchase contract proposed by Yamaha Golf Car Company of Arlington, in the amount of \$58,533.00 with option to purchase at the end of the forty-eight month term. The agreement also provides for an additional fleet of ten carts for seasonal rent as requested by the City at the rate of \$65 per cart per month. The lease will be paid from funds budgeted in the Golf Course Fund. The City Manager recommended approval of the forty-eight month lease.

Councilmember Goldsworthy moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 absent (Hendricks).

FIRST READING OF RESOLUTION REGARDING THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DECISION TO HIRE A LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANT

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHICH APPROVED HIRING HANCE SCARBOROUGH, LLP, LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANTS, FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$75,000.00 PLUS LIMITED EXPENSES.

Mayor Loch introduced and read the resolution for City Council approval of actions of the GEDC Board of Directors to hire the firm of Hance Scarborough LLP as legislative consultants, at a cost of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) plus limited expenses. Kent Sharp, Executive Director of the GEDC, said the firm will assist and represent Gainesville in front of federal and state policy makers and agencies to secure funding for local projects. No action was taken on this first reading by the City Council. Second reading of the resolution will be held on February 17.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-03-2009 A – APPROVE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION DECISION TO PAYOFF FSB NOTE

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACTIONS OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHICH APPROVED PAYOFF OF THE NOTE WITH FIRST STATE BANK FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2600 AIRPORT DRIVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,485,093.78.

Executive Director Sharp stated the GEDC Board of Directors decided to pay off the note with the First State Bank for the property located at 2600 Airport Drive in the amount of \$1,485,093.78 plus accrued interest to save more than eighty thousand dollars annually in interest cost.

Councilmember Draper moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Snuggs. Motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 absent (Hendricks).

RESOLUTION NO. 02-03-2009 B – CALLING THE GENERAL ELECTION ON MAY 9, 2009 FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS ON MAY 9, 2009, PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCILPERSONS FOR WARD 1, WARD 2, WARD 4 AND MAYOR; ADOPTING A VOTING SYSTEM AS APPROVED BY SECRETARY OF STATE; AND DESIGNATING POLLING LOCATIONS FOR EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY.

The resolution officially calls for the annual General Municipal Election to be held by the City of Gainesville, Texas on May 9, 2009. Positions to be elected are Councilpersons for Ward 1, Ward 2, Ward 4 and Mayor. City Hall is designated as the polling location for Early Voting.

The Civic Center is the designated polling location on Election Day. The period for Early Voting is April 27 through May 5.

Councilmember Snuggs moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 absent (Hendricks).

TABLED RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER AN OFFICIAL NAME FOR THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN OFFICIAL NAME FOR THE GAINESVILLE MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE.

Sullivan explained that Golf Course staff requested Council’s consideration to give the golf course an official name for marketing purposes to help distinguish the course and highlight major improvements made over the past couple of years. Director Hersman added that a name other than “municipal” often makes for a more personal atmosphere. Approximately one hundred name suggestions were received by Golf staff and the list was narrowed down by a committee to nine proposed names for presentation to Council. Following a very brief discussion, Council members agreed by consensus to discuss the topic further at a future meeting.

Councilmember Snuggs moved to **table the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Draper. Motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 absent (Hendricks).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council did not convene into executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

/S/
Glenn Loch, Mayor

Attest:

/S/
Kay Lunnon, City Secretary