

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMER, TEXAS
Tuesday June 21, 2011 6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
113 W. Jefferson St., Palmer, Texas 75152**

MINUTES

Call Meeting to Order.

Mayor Kenneth Bateman calls the meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge.

Kenneth Bateman gives the invocation followed by the pledge.

Determination of Quorum.

Members present: Mayor Kenneth Bateman, Jeff Vick, Dianne Drewery, Jeffery Greenlee

Marvin Rhoades and Chris Ivie- Absent

Citizen Forum (2 minutes) –

none

Consent Agenda

All matters listed under item 5, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the Mayor/City Administrator to execute all matters necessary to implement each item. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and consideration by any member of the City Council.

- a. **Balance Sheets**
- b. **May 2011 Actuals**
- c. **Minutes for Approval**
 - i. **February 1, 2005**
 - ii. **May 17, 2011**
- d. **Municipal Court Monthly reports.**
- e. **Palmer Police Department Monthly Reports.**
- f. **Public Works Monthly Report**

Jeff Vick motions to approve the consent agenda, Dianne seconds, all in favor.

Joint Public Hearings on two zoning change applications of Ronny Caldwell.

Jeff Vick motions to table this item, Dianne seconds, all in favor.

First Application: to consider amending Section 12-8-5 of the Zoning Ordinance to add a new unlisted Specific Use that would permit either of the following uses: all C-1 commercial; all single-family; or a combined use using a portion of the property as C-1 commercial and a portion as single-family. Said use to be applicable only to lots facing North Main Street in Block 15 of Old Town Palmer, and conditioned on the requirement that any use made of the property shall keep and maintain the integrity of the property's Historical Designation"; and

Second Application to consider a zoning change on owner's Lot 9, Block 15, of Old Town Palmer, also known as 116 North Main Street Palmer, Texas, from "C-1" commercial zoning district classification to "C-1" Commercial Zoning District Classification, with a Specific Use Permit permitting either of the following uses: all C-1 commercial; all single-family; or a combined use using a portion of the property as C-1 commercial and a portion as single-family. Such use conditioned on the requirement that any use made of the property shall keep and maintain the integrity of the property's Historical Designation.

- A. Receive Report From Planning & Zoning Commission.**
- B. Motion to Open Joint Public Hearing on both requests of applicant.**
- C. Motion to Close Joint Public Hearing on both requests of applicant.**
- D. Deliberation on Report to be sent to City Council.**
- E. Consider a Motion to adopt an Ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance Section 12-8-5 to include the following unlisted Specific Use permitting either of the following property uses: "all C-1 commercial; all single-family; or a combined use using a portion of the property as C-1 commercial and a portion as single-family; applicable only to lots facing Main Street that are located in Block 15 of Old Town Palmer; and further conditioned on the requirement that any use made of the property shall keep and maintain the integrity of the property's Historical Designation".**
- F. Consider a Motion to adopt an Ordinance granting a zoning change on applicant's Lot 9. Block 15 of Palmer Old Town, also known as 116 North Main Street City of Palmer, Texas, from "C-1" zoning district classification to "C-1" Commercial zoning district classification with a Specific Use Permit permitting either of the following uses: all C-1 commercial; all single-family; or a combined use using a portion of the property as C-1 commercial and a portion as single-family. Such use conditioned on the requirement that any use made of the property shall keep and maintain the integrity of the property's Historical Designation.**

Discussion and possible action to hear complaints concerning enforcement of the City of Palmer's Sign Code as written.

Jeff Vick motions to have the owners of the businesses listed notified (attached listing) other than owners with obsolete or pre-existing signs. The notified owners will be given 60 days to come into City Hall and complete Sign Variance application (at no charge). The City Secretary or City Administrator is authorized to grant a variance to those businesses that complete the above process. If no variance application is completed a citation is to be issued for non-compliance. Dianne seconds, all in favor.

Consider approval of changes to sewer design for Holley's Garden Center. See April 19, 2011 meeting.

Jeff Vick motions to approve the changes to the wastewater design for the Holley's Garden Center contingent upon the easement from the federal government being granted, Jeffery Greenlee second, all in favor.

Consider adoption of an Ordinance bringing forward a codification of the city's vehicle speed limit ordinances regarding Speed Limits For Specific Streets, and reducing speed limits on all residential streets to 20 MPH with the exception of those streets currently posted at less than 20 MPH. See May 17, 2011 council meeting.

Dianne motions to adopt **Ordinance 1008** bringing forward a codification of the city's vehicle speed limit ordinances regarding Speed Limits For Specific Streets, and reducing speed limits on all residential streets to 20 MPH with the exception of those streets currently posted at less than 20 MPH, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

Consider changes in the Subdivision Ordinance concerning the types of materials to be used in construction of new streets in the City of Palmer (Vick).

Dianne motions to have Section 11-7-3 B changed to read: The minimum acceptable pavement surface should be based on the Design Manual Section 2.7 Pavement Design, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor

Award bid on Lift Station replacement on South Business US 75.

Jeff Vick motions to award the bid to Double R, Dianne seconds, all in favor.

Appoint elected representatives to the North Ellis County Coalition of Cities.

No Action.

Elect mayor pro tempore.

Dianne motions to appoint Jeff Vick as Mayor Pro Tem, Jeffery Greenlee seconds, all in favor.

Appoint a Parks and Recreation Committee to assist the council by recommending projects and ways of funding the approved projects.

Dianne motions to appoint Kenneth Bateman, Jeremy Robinson, Chad Greenlee, Charlotte Follis, Raul Medina, Dee Ramirez, and Jeffery Greenlee to the Parks and Recreation Committee, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

Discuss the first draft of the 2011/12 General Fund and Water and Sewer budgets and schedule first workshop.

Dianne motions to make the first workshop July 21, 2011

Items of Community Interest

- a. City Administrator***
- b. Council***
- c. Mayor***

ADJOURNMENT.

Dianne motions to adjourn, Mayor accepts.