

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMER, TEXAS
Thursday October 23, 2008, 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
113 W. Jefferson St., Palmer, Texas 75152**

MINUTES

Call Meeting to Order.

Mayor Anglin calls the meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge.

Greg Penny gives the invocation.

Determination of Quorum.

Members present: Mayor Anglin, Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Bateman, Dianne Drewery, Jeff Vick, Greg Penny, Tony Roybal.

Citizen Forum (2 minutes) – to address only specific current agenda items.

None

Discussion and possible action regarding DCI Sanitation's proposal to trade for the city's garbage truck in exchange for no increase in collection rates charged to the city.

No action taken.

Discussion and possible action requesting the council to consider specific travel guidelines for city employees as well as for the city council and Mayor. Action requested is amending personnel policy.

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

Second Public Hearing on possible annexation of Palmer Independent School District Campus Road Tract containing approximately 90.63 acres.

Jeff Vick motions to open the public hearing, Greg Penny seconds, all in favor.

Kenneth Bateman motions to close the public hearing, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

Second Public Hearing on possible annexation of property known as the Justiss Tract containing approximately 176.345 acres and located south of the Palmer ISD Campus Road Tract.

Jeff Vick motions to open the public hearing, Greg Penny seconds, all in favor.

Greg Penny motions to close the public hearing, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action regarding request from First Baptist Church to close Marshall St from Kinsala St. to Sherman St. and Sherman St. from Marshall St. to Cooper St. on October 31, 2008. The request would be to make this an annual event with city approval.

Jeff Vick motions to allow the First Baptist Church to close the listed streets at 6:30 and allow the use of the baracades and to make this an annual event- but the church will still need to come to the city every year for approval from the Mayor or City Administrator, Greg Penny seconds, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action regarding the use of the metal detector during all City Council meetings.

Kenneth Bateman motion to use the metal detector at all meeting and to have an officer present 30 minutes prior to meetings, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

Discussion and possible action regarding changing council meeting start time from 7:00 PM to 6:30 PM.

Kenneth Bateman motions to change the meeting time for council meeting to 6:30pm for all council meetings, Jeff Vick seconds, all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Tony Roybal motions to adjourn, Mayor accepts, meeting adjourns.