

REGULAR SESSION

JULY 23, 2018

The City Council of the City of Athens met in Regular Session on Monday, July 23, 2018, 5:30 p.m. in the Derek D. Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center, 201 W. Corsicana St., Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Monte Montgomery, Mayor
Ed McCain, Mayor Pro-Tem
Aaron Smith
Robert Gross

Elizabeth Borstad, City Manager
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary
Blake Armstrong, City Attorney

others present: Thanasis Kombos, Buddy Hill, Ryan Adams, Jennifer Robertson, Mandie Quigg, Adrianna Hinds, Lisa Denton, Denise York, Cole Woodard, Steve Barksdale, Rich Flowers, Deborah Deas, Brent Muecke, and other interested citizens;

with the following member absent; Councilwoman Toni Clay;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mayor Montgomery.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND/OR CITY MANAGER UPDATES
INVOLVING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ISSUES OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Elizabeth Borstad, City Manager, stated the final show of The Texan Summer Concert Series was held on Saturday, July 21st. She stated the concert featured Hayes Carll and three hundred and fifty (350) tickets were sold.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

Brent Muecke expressed safety concerns regarding dead tree limbs on Lila Lane.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE JULY 9, 2018 REGULAR SESSION
- b) CONSIDER FINAL READING OF AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING A REQUEST FROM AMPLER DEVELOPMENT, LLC (BURGER KING) FOR A SITE PLAN AMENDMENT AT 1004 E. TYLER STREET, LOT 3 BLOCK 119 – R.A. CLARK SURVEY, ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION (Z-07-18-001)
- c) JUNE 2018 MONTHLY REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT
- d) QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary read the caption of the Ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gross, seconded by Councilmember McCain to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT-RELATED BOARD AND COMMISSION MEETINGS

Ryan Adams, Managing Director of Public Services, provided the following updates on Development-Related Board and Commission Meetings:

Planning and Zoning

- **July Meeting:**
 - Approved replat for 112, 114, 116 Guadalupe Drive
 - Did not approve replat for 801 Country Club Circle.
 - Approved site plan amendment for Burger King Development (approved).
- **August Meeting Preview:**
 - Site plan amendment for Triton development
 - Site plan amendment for Dairy Queen development

Substandard Building Commission

- **June Meeting:**
 - Cancelled
- **July Meeting:**
 - Did not meet for lack of quorum
- **August Meeting Preview:**

Hear updates on 25 substandard buildings

Zoning Board of Adjustment

- **June Meeting:**
 - Approved signage variance for 221 East Tyler Street
- **July Meeting:**
 - Approved signage variance for 130 East Corsicana
- **August Meeting Preview:**
 - No meeting

Councilmember McCain stated the two projects with the sign variance are fantastic projects for the square. He stated this will beautify the outside of the buildings.

DISCUSS INSURANCE SERVICES OFFICE (ISO) RATING AND BUILDING CODES

Mr. Adams stated the City recently went through a building code effectiveness survey. He stated on May 29th, the City received notification that its BCEGS score would be downgraded Commercial: Class 4 → Class 10 Residential: Class 5 → Class 10, and the downgrade will be placed on a 1-year hold if the City implements a program to regain its previous scores. He stated the City must notify ISO by August 29th of our plans.

He explained that the City's current use of 2006 Code is the main cause of the City being downgraded. He provided information as to how the City can improve its rating by implementing the 2015 or 2018 International Building Codes.

There was additional Council discussion. Mayor Montgomery expressed concern with the City moving from the 2015 Codes back to the 2006 Codes.

After discussion, Ms. Borstad explained the survey is conducted every three (3) years.

Mayor Montgomery commissioned the City Manager to review the codes and determine the alignment the City should take.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY, APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A 380 AGREEMENT WITH BIOMERICS, FMI, LLC.

Elizabeth Borstad, City Manager, explained Biomerics acquired the assets of FutureMatrix Interventional, LLC and they are requesting property tax rebates. She explained the Resolution will authorize the Mayor to Execute a 380 Agreement with Biomerics, FMI, LLC.

A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember McCain to approve a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to Execute a 380 Agreement with Biomerics, FMI, LLC. The motion carried unanimously,

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY, CONCERNING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE ATHENS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- a) Jeaneane Lilly**
- b) Carmen Hunt**
- c) John Trent**

Lisa Denton, Executive Director of Athens Economic Development Corporation (AEDC), explained the terms of Jeaneane Lilly, Carmen Hunt, and John Trent will expire on September 30, 2018 from the AEDC Board of Directors. She stated that the members have expressed their desire for reappointment.

A motion was made by Councilmember McCain, seconded by Councilmember Gross to approve the reappointments of Jeaneane Lilly, Carmen Hunt, and John Trent to the AEDC Board of Directors.

The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY, CONCERNING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS TO THE CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

- a) KATHY MEANS**
- b) BETH FAULK**
- c) JON GARRETT**

Ms. Hambrick explained the terms of Kathy Means, Beth Faulk, and Jon Garrett will expire from the Cultural Resources Commission on July 31, 2018. She stated all commission members express their desire for reappointment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gross, seconded by Councilmember Smith to approve the reappointments of Kathy Means, Beth Faulk, and Jon Garrett to the Cultural Resources Commission.

The motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL'S REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Gross requested a future agenda item regarding the Collection Site.

Councilmember McCain stated he appreciates the update on Development-Related Board and Commission Meetings.

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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 13th DAY OF AUGUST, 2018.

Monte Montgomery, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary