MINUTES
HALTOM CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, 5024 BROADWAY AVENUE
May 13, 2019

A Regular Meeting by the City Council of the City of Haltom City, Texas, was held on May 13, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 5024 Broadway Avenue, Haltom City, Texas, with the following members present:

Mayor David Averitt          Mayor Pro Tem Dr. An Truong
Council Place 1 Jeannine Nunn    Council Place 2 Walter Grow
Council Place 3 Lin Thompson    Council Place 4 Brent Weast
Council Place 5 Bob Watkins    Council Place 6 Ricky Brown

Staff Present: Keith Lane, City Manager; Rex Phelps, Assistant City Manager; Drew Larkin, City Attorney; Art Camacho, City Secretary; Christi Pruitt, Parks and Recreation Director, Glenna Batchelor, Planning and Community Development Director; Sidonna Foust, Finance Director; Keith Fisher, City Engineer, and Brian Jacobs, Fire Chief.

WORKSESSION

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Averitt called the Worksession to order at 6:00 p.m.

VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM – No citizens came forward. Citizen Carol Mattson had filed a Speaker's Request Form, but did not appear.

No Executive Session was called and the Worksession ended at 6:02 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Averitt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Jeannine Nunn introduced Pastor Kris Drees, from the Haltom Road Baptist Church, who gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Flag Pledge.

PROCLAMATIONS


“Lifeguard Your Child Month” – Assistant City Manager Rex Phelps presented the proclamation to Alex Houton, who spoke on the need for child-drowning prevention.

“Older Americans Month” – Parks and Recreation Director Christi Pruitt presented the proclamation to the Senior Center Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS – City Secretary Art Camacho read the following:

- The HC Public Library lists the children, teen, and adult programs on the website.
- Summer Reading Program Joint Party for Public Libraries will be June 1st.
- Girl’s Summer Volleyball League for ages 9-14 will begin in June for $45 per girl.
- Refresh BISD will be August 17th from 9:00-12:00 at the Wiley G. Thomas Coliseum.
- Birdville Historical Society will host their 20plus cemetery reunion on May 18th.
- Haltom City Garden Club will have its Annual Plant Swap” on May 18th.
- Haltom Senior Center will celebrate its 46th anniversary on Thursday, May 16th.
- American Legion Post #655 will host a Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 27th.
- Haltom City Fire/Police Camp will be held July 22nd – 26th and the cost is $100.
- Haltom City Office Facilities will be closed Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes – Consideration and/or action regarding approval of the Special Meeting of April 15, 2019 and the Regular Meeting of April 22, 2019.
2. **Ordinance No. O-2019-012-15 (Z-003-19)** – Consider action on the application of Jaye Arusement for an amendment to ordinance O-2002-001-15 to amend the text of the “PD-C-2” Planned Development Commercial District and site plan on Lot 1, Block 1 of the Burchfield Addition, locally known as 3501 Webster Street (Tarrant Appraisal District) and known as 3501 Denton Highway (local address). *2nd Reading.*

3. **Teen Court Board Appointment** – Consideration and/or action regarding the appointment of a member to the North East Tarrant County Teen Court (NETCTC).

4. **Agreement with Tarrant County for Tax Collection** – Consideration and/or action regarding approval of a contract with the Tarrant County Tax Office to provide ad valorem tax billing, collecting, and reporting for the 2019 Tax Year.

   A question was raised by Council Member Thompson in regard to collection rates by the Tarrant County Tax Office to those who reside in and out of Tarrant County. Council Member Weast moved, seconded by Council Member Grow, to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Agenda Items 1, 2, 3, and 4. *The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.*

**REGULAR AGENDA**

5. **Resolution No. R-2019-010-01** – Consideration and/or action regarding approval of Resolution No. R-2019-010-01, tabulating and canvassing the results of the May 4, 2019 General and Special (Place 5 and Charter) Elections. City Secretary Art Camacho read the canvass tabulations and totals regarding the following:
   - Mayor: Trae Fowler - 369 votes; Bob Watkins – 396 votes; An Truong – 1,067 votes (winner).
   - Council Place 1: Marian Hilliard – 1,291 votes (winner).
   - Council Place 2: Daren Hudson – 578 votes; Walter Grow – 1,147 votes (winner).
   - Council Place 7: Willis O’dell – 517 votes; Gaye Vanzant – 1,229 votes (winner).
   - Special Election – Council Place 5: Warner James – 295 votes; Kyle Smith - 363 votes; Susan Soule – 1,057 votes (winner).

   All twenty-two propositions passed. Council Member Weast moved, seconded by Council Member Thompson, to approve Resolution No. R-2019-010-01, approving the canvass. *The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.*

6. **Recognition of Outgoing Council Members** – Mayor Averitt and Council Members Nunn and Watkins voiced their appreciation concerning support from the citizens, their joy in serving the community, and offered their positive regards to the new Council and Mayor.

7. **Oath of Office**

   A. Newly Elected Officers – The Oath of Office was administered to Mayor An Truong, and Council Members Marian Hilliard (Place 1), Walter Grow (Place 2), Gaye Vanzant (Place 7), and Susan Soule (Place 5) by Municipal Court Judge Lorraine Irby.

   B. Certificates of Election – Presentation of Certificates of Election by Mayor An Truong. Mayor Truong was presented his Certificate of Election by City Secretary Art Camacho. He then presented the other elected officials their Certificate of Election.

   Each of the newly elected officials gave thanks for the support they received from voters, friends, and family in winning their election. Mayor Truong offered thanks for the support given and several members of the Vietnamese community, including former South Vietnamese Air Force pilots, expressed their support and thanks, which also involved a “Dragon Celebration” performance. Mayor Truong also gave a speech in English, Spanish and Vietnamese to encourage the Hispanic community to become involved with the community in Haltom City and in addition, gave a directive regarding his expectations and objectives as Mayor of Haltom City.

8. **380 Development Agreement** – Consideration and/or action to approve the agreement with Beaten Path Development LLC and Haltom City. Assistant City Manager Rex Phelps gave a review of the agreement and introduced John Pitstick, of Our Country Homes, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the future construction project on the 43 acres adjacent
to the City Library. He included information on the number of houses, relative HOA costs and fees, property structure differences, and estimated completion date. Trent Petty, of Petty and Associates, also provided additional information regarding infrastructure costs and the future proposed property value increases and tax revenues. Council Member Weast moved, seconded by Council Member Brown, to approve the 380 Development Agreement with Beaten Path Development. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS
No staff report was given.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
10. Council Member Hilliard requested that the next Council meeting agenda consider the following: (1) Creation of the Ethics Commission; (2) Assignment of Council Liaisons; (3) A public presentation of the Open Records and Open Meetings Act by the City Attorney.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES
11. Resignations of Board/Commissions/Committee Members – Consider approval of the resignations of Board/Commission/Committee Members. Mayor Truong read the resignations of Alaina Tellson (Parks and Recreation), Wayne Clowers (Beautification Board), and Jerry Gannaway (CCPD/Red Light Camera Board). The resignations were unanimously approved. As per Charter regulations, Marian Hilliard openly submitted her resignation from the Animal Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission. The resignation was unanimously approved.

12. Appointment/Reappointment to Boards/Commissions/Committees – Consider approval regarding appointments to Boards/Commissions/Committees. Council Member Thompson appointed William (Bill) Edwards II to the Parks and Recreation Board. The vote was unanimous and the appointment approved. Mayor Truong appointed Council Member Brent Weast to the Economic Development Corporation. The vote was unanimous and the appointment approved. Council Member Hilliard reappointed George Coffman to the Fire Services Board; reappointed Sheri Crum to the Parks and Recreation Board; appointed Jennifer Alcon to the Planning and Zoning Commission; and reappointed Nancy Watkins to the Animal Advisory Board. The vote was unanimous and all appointments and reappointments were approved.

EXCUSED ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS
13. Attendance Requirements – Consideration regarding excused absences of Council Members according to Article III, Sec. 3.07 (a). Attendance Requirements of the Haltom City Charter. There were no absences.

Mayor Truong called for an Executive Session at 8:44 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code
As authorized by Section 551.071, the City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to seek legal advice from the City Attorney about any matters listed on the agenda, in addition to the following matters:
Consultation with the City Attorney pertaining to any matter in which the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct which may conflict with the Open Meetings Act; including discussion of any item posted on the Agenda; to seek legal advice on open meetings, open records, code of ethics and conflicts of interest, city charter limitations, selection process for design/construction of Fire Station 3, BISD land use agreement, and pending litigation and settlement offers for the following cases:
Section 551.072 – Deliberations about Real Property
Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and property owned or leased by the City and the EDC, including city buildings.

The Council reconvened to Regular Session at 8:58 p.m.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION
No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT
Mayor Truong adjourned the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:  APPROVED BY:

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Art Camacho, City Secretary  An Truong, Mayor