

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION HELD Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council chambers, 5705 Azle Ave., Sansom Park, Texas.

City Council Members Present: Jim Barnett, Jr., Mayor
Crystal Harris, Mayor Pro-Tem
Donna Bell, Place 1
Jerry Sewall, Place 2
Jim Barnett, Sr., Place 3
Tanya Gregory, Place 4

City Staff Present: Lee Thomas, City Attorney
Angela Winkle, City Administrator
Wendy Blocker, City Secretary
Ron Douglas, Community Development Director
Allen Richards, Fire Dept.
Will Wilkerson, Interim Police Chief

Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Barnett called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm with a quorum present.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Jim Barnett, Sr.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge were both recited.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

City Secretary to administer Oath to Sansom Park Police Officer Fortner.

Interim Police Chief Wilkerson administered Oath to Officer Fortner the newly hired officer for the Sansom Park Police Department.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda are routine and administrative in nature. As such, these items are considered for approval by a single motion and vote without discussion. Council Members can remove an item or items from the agenda, so it can be considered separately, and/or add any item to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda.

1. Consider approval of the Regular meeting minutes held on November 3, 2016 and the Special Called meeting minutes held on December 13, 2016, as presented.

Member Jim Barnett, Sr. made a motion to approve the consent agenda, second by Member Jerry Sewall. Council voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss and consider adoption of Resolution 995-17 a Resolution adopting a Customer Service/Utility Billing Policy and providing an effective date.

Member Barnett, Sr. made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 995-17, second by Member Tanya Gregory. Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 995-17 a Resolution adopting a Customer Service/Utility Billing Policy and providing an effective date. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Discuss and consider adoption of Resolution No. 996-17 adopting and approving the changes made to the City of Sansom Park Personnel Manual.

Member Barnett, Sr. made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 996-17, second by Mayor Pro-Tem Crystal Harris. Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution No. 996-17 adopting and approving the changes made to the City of Sansom Park Personnel Manual.

3. Discuss and consider a rate adjustment request from Waste Connections of Texas, dba Progressive Waste Solutions and consider the adoption of Ordinance No. 517-17 amending Appendix "A" of the Sansom Park Code of Ordinances, Master Fee Schedule approving a 3% increase for Waste Collections Services 2017, effective February 2017. Norm Bulaich, account representative for Waste Collections Services addressed the Council to inform about the rate adjustment of 3% which has not been raised since 2014.

Member Barnett, Sr. made a motion to approve the 3% rate adjustment from Waste Collections Services and the additional charges of .47 per customer being absorbed in the current 2016-17 budget, second by Member Gregory. Council voted unanimously to approve the 3% rate adjustment from Waste Collections Services and the additional charges of .47 per customer being absorbed in the current 2016-17 budget. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Barnett announced Council would convene into executive session at 7:23pm to discuss the following:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Council reserves the right to convene in Executive Session, from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting for any posted agenda item to receive advice from its attorney as permitted by law, or to discuss the following:

A. Pending or Contemplated Litigation or to Seek the Advice of the City Attorney Pursuant to Section 551.071 -

1. City of Sansom Park v. Aron Benjamin Goins, Cause No. 096-287851-16, in the District Court of Tarrant County, Texas, 96th Judicial District.

B. Personnel Matters (the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of Public Officers or Employees) Pursuant to Section 551.074 -

1. Police Chief

Council re-convened into open session at 7:50pm and took action on the following:

A. Pending or Contemplated Litigation or to Seek the Advice of the City Attorney Pursuant to Section 551.071 -

1. City of Sansom Park v. Aron Benjamin Goins, Cause No. 096-287851-16, in the District Court of Tarrant County, Texas, 96th Judicial District.

Member Barnett Sr. made a motion to direct Mack Reinwand, Attorney to finalize the settlement agreement in regards to *City of Sansom Park v. Aron Benjamin Goins, Cause No. 096-287851-16*, second by Member Gregory. Council voted unanimously to direct Mack Reinwand, Attorney to finalize the settlement agreement in regards to *City of Sansom Park v. Aron Benjamin Goins, Cause No. 096-287851-16*. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Personnel Matters (the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of Public Officers or Employees) Pursuant to Section 551.074 -

1. Police Chief

Member Barnett, Sr. made a motion to appoint Will Wilkerson to Police Chief effective immediately, second by Member Gregory. Council voted unanimously to appoint Will Wilkerson to Police Chief effective immediately. Motion carried 5-0.


ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Items of community interest include expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; honorary recognitions of city officials, employees, or citizens; reminders about upcoming events sponsored by the city or other entity that is scheduled to be attended by a city official or employee; and announcements involving imminent threats to the public health and safety.

Mayor Barnett advised Council that this item has been added to the agenda for announcements regarding events or matters of interest for the City. Mayor Barnett also advised that a memorial and scholarship on behalf of Hector Lerma is being discussed with the EDC. City Secretary Wendy Blocker advised Council of the Easter Eggstravangza to be held on Saturday, April 8th from 10am-2pm at the playground of Joy James Elementary. Fire Chief Richards advised Council that he along with Chief Wilkerson and Community Development Director Ron Douglas have worked together to submit the ISO filing and he should have the final results within the next month or so. Chief Wilkerson thanked the Council and staff for all condolences sent to him for his loss and that he is in the process of hiring an additional officer within the next couple of weeks.

As there was no further business to discuss or consider, Mayor Barnett adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

ATTEST:


Jim Barnett, Jr. Mayor


Wendy Blocker, City Secretary

