



# City of Pflugerville

## Minutes - Final City Council

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Tuesday, February 18, 2014

6:00 PM

100 East Main Street, Suite 500

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### Special Meeting

#### 1. Call to order

Mayor Coleman called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmembers Brad Marshall, Omar Peña, Starlet Sattler and Victor Gonzales were in attendance. Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Cooper was absent. City employees attending: Brandon Wade, City Manager; Lauren Crawford, Assistant City Attorney; Trey Fletcher, Assistant City Manager; Lauri Gillam, Assistant City Manager; Tom Word, Assistant City Manager; Dan Franz, City Engineer; James Hemenes, Parks Director, Chuck Hooker, Police Chief; Emily Barron, Planning Director; Karen Thompson, City Secretary.

#### 2. Discuss and consider action

- 2A. 2014-2756** Discuss and consider action regarding Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Transportation and Parks projects for a possible May 2014 general obligation bond election.

Mayor Coleman provided introductory information and stated that Ms. Thompson had provided Travis County election cost estimates on the dais and that the election could cost \$50,000 or more. Ms. Thompson stated that the Travis County ESD No. 2 had stated last week that their election costs would be closer to \$40,000 instead of the estimated \$90,000 and this could be true if their election only takes place in a portion of their district, and that this could increase the City's election costs.

Mr. Wade provided information on the City's new bond rating information, with one rating agency rating the City one step higher, and one rating agency rating the City two steps lower. He stated that it may not be the best time to issue a large amount of debt. Ms. Gillam provided additional information on the bond ratings and Council discussion followed.

Mr. Wade stated that staff has looked at contingency plans if the City were to not hold a bond election which would include looking at the parks projects more closely and moving forward with the design work for East Pecan and Weiss Lane. He provided information on the immediate need for improvements to these roadways. Mr. Gonzales asked if the City delays, if they would be in jeopardy of losing the Travis County funding for improvements to Weiss Lane. Mr. Fletcher stated that Travis County has asked for confirmation from the City prior to the end of 2014. Mayor Coleman provided comments and there was continued discussion. Mr. Gonzales stated that he believes it makes sense to move the bond election to November.

Mr. Peña made a motion to not go forward with the bond election as proposed in earlier sessions around the capital improvement program and parks projects, and to authorize staff to go forward with the planning and design phases for Pecan and Weiss Lane as Mr. Wade stated earlier. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

### Executive Session

Mayor Coleman announced that the City Council was retiring to executive session on items 2B and 3A. He read the items and retired to executive session. The time was 6:18 p.m.

- 2B. 2014-2757** 1.) Executive Session Item: Consultation with legal counsel regarding provision of emergency services within the City pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code. 2.) Open Session Item: Discuss and consider action regarding provision of emergency services within the City pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Discussion on the item was to take place in executive session. Action on the item was taken in open session later in the meeting.

**3. Discuss only**

- 3A. 2014-2758** 1.) Executive Session Item: Discussions regarding deliberations on economic development negotiations pursuant to Chapter 551.087 of the Texas Government Code and consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for legal advice concerning economic development negotiations.

Discussion on the item was to take place in executive session. No action was taken.

### Executive Session - Closed

Mayor Coleman reconvened in open session at 6:57 p.m.

- 2B. 2014-2757** 1.) Executive Session Item: Consultation with legal counsel regarding provision of emergency services within the City pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code. 2.) Open Session Item: Discuss and consider action regarding provision of emergency services within the City pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Mr. Peña made a motion to instruct the City Manager to explore creating a municipal fire department and to create the appropriate staffing plan related to that; and to also ask the City Manager to create the job description and posting for an emergency services director and fire chief position within the City of Pflugerville; and to ask the City Manager to coordinate with Travis County officials to explore what participation would be necessary for creating a county-wide fire department on our behalf as well; and to ask the City Attorney to explore the overall validity of the election that the ESD 2 (Travis County

Emergency Services District No. 2) called recently; and to specifically look at the allocation of the sales tax model that they are proposing in there for future taxes in areas that the City of Pflugerville would annex. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. Mayor Coleman asked for clarification on the motion, for the City Attorney part, that Mr. Peña is wanting the City Attorney to give his opinion as to whether the ESD 2 can enter into an allocation agreement with the City so that in the future, as the City annexes pieces, that the PCDC (Pflugerville Community Development Corporation) and the City would get that tax back. Mr. Peña stated correct. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

**4. Adjourn**

Ms. Sattler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Peña seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Thompson  
City Secretary

Approved as \_\_\_\_\_ on February 25, 2014.