

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
FEBRUARY 10, 2015

On February 10, 2015, the Kerrville City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pratt in the city hall council chambers at 701 Main Street. The invocation was offered by Lainie Johnson, Executive Director, Pregnancy Resource Center, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dannie Smith Fire Chief.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Jack Pratt	Mayor
Carson Conklin	Councilmember
Stacie Keeble	Councilmember
Gary F. Stork	Councilmember

COUNCILMEMBER ABSENT:

Gene Allen	Mayor Pro Tem
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CITY CORE STAFF PRESENT:

Todd Parton	City Manager
Mike Hayes	City Attorney
Kristine Day	Deputy City Manager
Brenda G. Craig	City Secretary
Sandra Yarbrough	Director of Finance
Ashlea Boyle	Special Projects Manager
David Knight	Interim Chief of Police
Dannie Smith	Fire Chief
Chris Stewart	Senior Planner

VISITORS PRESENT: List on file in city secretary's office for the required retention period.

**1. VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:**

1A. Joshua Rogers spoke regarding the proposed athletics complex. He never felt unsafe or worried about health at the current soccer fields and suggested the current fields be used for practice and the new fields for games and tournaments. City staff met with HCYSA one time and did not address the issue of decreasing the number of soccer fields while increasing the number of baseball/softball fields. He suggested a planning committee with all parties so important details, i.e. cost, operations and scheduling could be worked out before construction started. HCYSA could not make their plans until details were shared. He understood that any discussions with the city must be with the assumption that the existing soccer fields would be gone. He noted that the city manager had stated that the city was not borrowing money to pay for the indoor facility, which was important for the financial viability of the project; without the indoor facility the city would have to significantly raise fees or operate at a \$200,000 deficit. The city manager had recommended that the city buy its own dirt at the current soccer facility with

money budgeted to buy dirt for the effluent water project; this would allow the city to move restricted funds into the general fund to be used to pay for the indoor facility. If the athletics complex project never happened the city would continue to lease the fields to the HCYSA. He asked council to look at alternatives, including keeping the current soccer fields.

**2. RECOGNITIONS:**

2A. 2014 Police Officer of the Year Award to Officer Rafael Gonzalez – Police Commendation Award.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA:**

Ms. Keeble requested Item 3E be removed from the consent agenda.

Mr. Conklin moved to approve consent agenda items 3A through 3G; Ms. Keeble seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0:

3A. Minutes of the regular city council meeting held January 13, 2015.

3B. First amendment to project funding agreement between the City of Kerrville, Texas, Economic Improvement Corporation; the City of Kerrville, Texas; and Playhouse 2000, Inc., for the construction of a support facility to be owned by the city and used in conjunction with the Cailloux Theater for the Performing Arts.

3C. Regional mutual aid agreement (“MAA”) between the City and other local government entities and local organizations wholly or partially within the geographic areas covered by Alamo Area Council of Governments and terminating existing MAA with same parties.

3D. Resolution No. 3-2015 finding that legislation filed during the current 84<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session reducing the property tax appraisal cap could be detrimental toward the City and urging its defeat.

3F. Lease agreement with MDR Properties General Partnership for lease of property located at 87 Coronado Drive for Fire Administration and EMS.

3G. Professional agreement for tennis professional by and between the City of Kerrville, Texas, and Jess Asper.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

3E. Rescheduling of future council meetings: March 10 to March 17; July 14 to July 7; and July 28 to July 21.

Council discussed maintaining a consistent schedule to cause less confusion for the public. In the past, the mayor pro tem acted in the absence of the mayor. Mayor Pratt noted he would be out of town on city business.

Mr. Stork moved to reschedule the meetings of March 10 to March 17; July 14 to July 7; and July 28 to July 21. Mr. Conklin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**4. ORDINANCES FIRST READING:**

4A. Ordinance No. 01-2015 annexing approximately 23.38 acres out of the F. Rodriguez Survey No. 72, Abstract No. 280; said tract being located adjacent to the corporate limits of the City of Kerrville, Texas, and consisting as a portion of the property located at 5235 Highway 27 East; describing the territory to be annexed; adopting a service plan for the territory annexed; establishing the

zoning for the area annexed and an adjacent tract which consists of approximately 6.385 acres, all of which property makes up approximately 29.765 acres, to be contained with a Planned Development District for manufacturing and industrial uses; and adopting a concept plan for the property. Mayor Pratt read the ordinance by title only.

Mr. Stork moved for approval of the ordinance on first reading; Mr. Conklin seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

4B. Ordinance No. 2-2015 amending the budget for fiscal year 2015 to account for various changes to the city's operational budget, which includes the receipt of grants and the closure of project accounts. Mayor Pratt read the ordinance by title only.

Mr. Parton noted the amendment would close some existing projects and transfer remaining funds to fund balances or other projects, and fund department reorganizations. Other changes included: actual property tax collection was \$40,000 short of projection; additional \$100,000 sales tax revenue; and hotel occupancy tax funds were allocated to fund the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event and the festival of the arts event instead of using 4B sales tax funds, as had been done in the past.

Mr. Conklin moved for approval of the ordinance on first reading; Ms. Keeble seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST:**

- Daddy daughter dance for February 14 was sold out.
- Mardi Gras on Main event on February 17 downtown was free to the public; Councilmember Gary Stork, and City Employee Liz Clapper were candidates for the Mardi Gras Royal Court.
- Parks department was accepting spring softball registrations.
- City was accepting applications for life guards.
- City secretary's office was accepting applications and petitions for a place on the May 9 ballot through February 27.
- City accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the beautification advisory committee.

**6. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.**

**ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jack Pratt, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Brenda G. Craig, City Secretary