



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF LEANDER, TEXAS**



Pat Bryson Municipal Hall ~ 201 North Brushy Street ~ Leander, Texas

Thursday ~ March 19, 2009 at 7:00 PM

Mayor ~ John D. Cowman	Place 4 ~ Michell Cantwell
Place 1 ~ Dr. Victor H.P. Villarreal	Place 5 ~ Christopher Fielder (Mayor Pro Tem)
Place 2 ~ Kirsten Lynch	Place 6 ~ David Siebold
Place 3 ~ John Perez	City Manager ~ Anthony Johnson

1. Open meeting, Invocation, Pledges of Allegiance, and welcome visitors.
**Mayor Cowman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.
Council Member Lynch delivered the invocation**
2. Roll Call.
All present except Council Member Cantwell
3. Citizen Comments. Three (3) minutes allowed per speaker. Please turn in speaker request form before the meeting begins.
Mark Kronkosky 105 E. Evans read a statement into the record concerning the salary of Pix Howell
Terri Duderstadt 102 E. Evans St. concerned about the culvert at E. Evans Street and the maintenance of the road and concerned about the streets in the neighborhood that are not paved
Mayor Cowman moved to item #9 at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION

4. Approval of the minutes:
Regular Meeting: March 5, 2009
5. Department Monthly Reports
6. Approval to lease/purchase Chevrolet Tahoe Police Vehicle.
7. Authorize City Manager to execute a letter of agreement between the City of Leander and the United States Department of Defense allowing for the transfer to the City surplus property and the release of liability for use of same.
**Motion made by Council Member Siebold to approve. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Fielder. Council Member Perez asked to pull the water report from Item #5. Sharon Johnson, Asst. City Manager was available for questions. Council Member Perez asked for the water loss issue be placed on the agenda for council to discuss at a future meeting.
Motion passes, all voting "aye".**

Mayor Cowman moved to items # 10 through 14 at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING: ACTION

8. a. **Public Hearing** on Subdivision Case #09-TOD-CP-001: Consider a concept plan for Village at Leander Station for 60 acres, more or less, defined by the north branch of Brushy Creek and on the east by Mel Mathis Ave (extension of CR273), Leander, Williamson County, Texas. Applicant: Jeff Musgrove, American Realty Corp. on behalf of owner Transit Village Investments, Capital Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Jolinda Marshall with Capital Metro explained the plan

Lance Hughes with Transit Village Investments explained the plan

Pix Howell, Urban Design Officer explained the request.

Mayor Cowman called for a break at 8:00 pm

Council returned from break at 8:10 p.m.

Mayor Cowman moved back to item # 3 to call Terri Duderstadt for comments as this speaker was not called at that time.

Frank Stiles 101 E. South St. – concerned about the entrance in and out of the Old Town neighborhood and asked for connectivity to Cap Metro Station.

Mark Kronkosky 105 E. Evans spoke against the plan and questioned the salary of Pix Howell being subsidized by the TOD Landowners.

Noel Larson 1850 CR 269 spoke for the plan

Robert Hanson 100 E. Evans St. – spoke against the plan and asked for the Ethics Committee to be put in place

Mayor Pro Tem Fielder asked Mr. Hanson if he had filed a formal complaint with the City.

Rick Castleberry 3101 Argento Place, Cedar Park spoke for the plan

Ryan Betz 5707 Willow Lane, Dallas spoke for the plan

- b. **Action** on Subdivision Case #09-TOD-CP-001: A concept plan for 60 acres, more or less, for Village at Leander Station, Leander, Williamson County, Texas.

Motion made by Council Member Siebold to approve. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Fielder.

Motion passes, 5 to 1 with Council Member Perez voting against.

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Consider acceptance of Annual Audit Report for Period ending 9/30/08. Presentation by Patillo, Brown and Hill, LLP.
Presentation by Paula Lowe with Patillo, Brown and Hill, LLP concerning the City of Leander FY 2008 Audit.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Fielder to approve. Second by Council Member Siebold. Motion passes, all voting “aye”.

Mayor Cowman moved back to the consent agenda at this time.

10. Consider Professional Service Agreement to perform a review of the City's businesses' sales/use tax remittances to the State Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Sharon Johnson, Asst. City Manager explained.

Motion made by Council Member Villarreal to approve. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Fielder. Motion passes, all voting "aye".

11. Consider Award of Construction Contract for Block House Creek Wastewater Interceptor, Segment Two.

Wayne Watts, City Engineer/Director of Public Works explained

Motion made by Council Member Perez to approve. Second by Council Member Lynch. Motion passes, all voting "aye".

12. Discussion and possible action regarding selection of Advisory Committee for the Revision of Section C of the Current Parking Ordinance.

Mayor Pro Tem made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. Second by Council Member Villarreal. Motion passes, all voting "aye".

13. Discussion and possible action regarding selection of members for the Public Arts Committee.

Council discussed the applicants and confirmed that the criteria of the ordinance was met.

Motion made by Council Member Villarreal to appoint Elizabeth "Skip" Dunnett, Jack Kushner, Kathleen McElwaine, Stan Holcomb, John Jagger, Carmen Amaya and Council Member Cantwell as the designated Council Member and Kirk Clennan as the staff representative. Second by Council Member Perez. Motion passes, all voting "aye".

14. Discussion and possible action regarding Capital Metro related Bills in the 81st Texas Legislature.

Motion made by Council Member Lynch to approve participation. Second by Council Member Villarreal. Motion passes, all voting "aye"

Mayor Cowman moved to the additional agenda item at this time.

Mayor Cowman moved back to item #8

15. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Attest:

John D. Cowman, Mayor

Debbie Haile, City Secretary