

**CITY OF INGLESIDE  
MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 26, 2010**

**1. Call meeting to order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. with Mayor Stella Herrmann presiding. Council Members present: Mayor Stella Herrmann, and Council Members Stewart Wilson, Elaine Kemp, Steve Diehl, Luis Lamas, and Jacob Lopez. Council Members absent: Council Member Willie Vaden. City of Ingleside Staff present: City Manager Jim Gray, Building Official Robert Stoddard, and City Secretary Kimberly Drysdale. There were approximately 30 guests.

**2. Invocation**

Invocation was given by Pastor Twanda Martin.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Possible continuation of Joint Workshop with the City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the presentation by the Port of Corpus Christi Authority's redevelopment of Naval Station Ingleside property.**

City Manager Jim Gray thanked the Port of Corpus Christi Authority (POCCA) representatives and the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Commission for attending the 5:30 Workshop. As it appears all items were discussed and questions answered, there is no need for this agenda item.

**5. Presentations from the Audience**

Pastor Twanda Martin presented information regarding a Marriage class that is offered by numerous individuals in the area, supported by the churches, and sponsored by the State of Texas. This is basically an opportunity to talk to the couple prior entering into marriage and afterwards the State of Texas waives the 3-day waiting period and \$60.00 off of the marriage license. Pamphlets were made available for anyone to take.

**6. Recognition of February 7 - 14, 2010 as National Marriage Week.**

Presentation was made to Pastor Twana Martin in recognition of February 7 - 14, 2010 as National Marriage Week. Mayor Herrmann read the Proclamation to the public.

**7. Consideration and action regarding the approval of the City Council Minutes dated November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and December 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve the City Council Minutes dated November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and December 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and was seconded by Council Member Diehl. The motion was approved Mayor Herrmann and Council Members Wilson, Kemp, Diehl, and Lamas voting aye; and Council Member Lopez voting aye regarding the November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 minutes and to abstain from the December 8, 2009 minutes because he did not attend that meeting.

**8. Public Hearing for Special Permit to place a Travel Trailer for on-site, 24-hour security on the property known as Lot 4, The Oaks Subdivision also known as 2967 Avenue A.**

Mayor Herrmann opened the Public Hearing at 6:39 p.m.

As property owner, Linda Hicks spoke in favor of this request because as the house is being built, items are being stolen and other items are being dumped when there is nobody present to witness such actions. This is only meant to be temporary while the residence is being built.

There were no speakers against this special permit.

Mayor Herrmann closed the Public Hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 6:40 p.m.

- 9. Consideration and action of an Ordinance granting a Special Permit to place a Travel Trailer for on-site, 24-hour security on the property known as Lot 4, The Oaks Subdivision also known as 2967 Avenue A, and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication. (first reading)**

City Manager Jim Gray explained this Special Permit is limited to one-year and stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission and the staff support this request.

Council Member Wilson made a motion to pass for a second reading of the Ordinance granting a Special Permit to place a Travel Trailer for on-site, 24-hour security on the property known as Lot 4, The Oaks Subdivision also known as 2967 Avenue A, and further providing for effective date, reading, severance and publication; and was seconded by Council Member Kemp. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 10. Consideration and action of the exclusive use of the baseball fields at Live Oak Park by the Pony League for the March through July 2010 season.**

City Manager Jim Gray stated the Pony League has requested the use of the baseball fields at Live Oak Park for the March through July 2010 season. Their proof of insurance and budget will be provided if approved by Council. The staff recommends approval.

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve the exclusive use of the baseball fields at Live Oak Park by the Pony League for the March through July 2010 season and was seconded by Council Member Lamas. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 11. Receive and discuss the City's financial situation, including but not limited to its budget, revenues, expenses, assets and debts.**

Finance Director Paul Baen provided an overview of the city's finances through December 2009. The staff and Financial Advisors are reviewing other refinance options for existing bonds to see if these are advisable. These will be introduced at a future meeting if they calculations are favorable. The Council was reminded that there is zero (0) Capital Improvements in the FY 09/10 Budget. During the six-month review of the current budget, the staff will bring options before the Council for consideration.

- 12. Consideration and action to initiate the Council Members By-Place system in accordance with City Charter Section 3.01(B).**

City Secretary Kimberly Drysdale explained results of the May 9, 2009 Election approved the Council Members moving to an at-large, by-place system. This requires the Council Members be assigned a Place Number and then during the election a citizen can apply directly for that specific place number. It is recommended to place the names of the three Council Members elected in May 2008 (Council Members Lamas, Lopez, and Wilson) into a bowl and having someone from the audience pick the names out one at a time for the places 2, 4, and 6. Also placing the names of the three Council Members elected in May 2009 (Council Members Kemp, Vaden, and Diehl) into a bowl and having someone from the audience pick the names out one at a time for the places 1, 3, and 5.

Mayor Herrmann asked Mrs. Mary Goldston to draw the names for placement. The names were drawn as:

Place # 1	Steve Diehl	Place # 2	Luis Lamas
Place # 3	Willie Vaden	Place # 4	Jacob Lopez
Place # 5	Elaine Kemp	Place # 6	Stewart Wilson

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve the placement of names as drawn and was seconded by Council Member Lamas. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 13. Consideration and action of a Resolution Ordering an election to be held on May 8, 2010 for the purpose of electing a Mayor for full term (two-year term) and Council Member positions 2, 4, and 6 for full terms (two-year terms).**

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve Resolution # 986 Ordering an election to be held on May 8, 2010 for the purpose of electing a Mayor for full term (two-year term) and Council Member positions 2, 4, and 6 for full terms (two-year terms); and was seconded by Council Member Diehl. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 14. Consideration and action of a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Ingleside establishing procedures for a Joint General Election with the Ingleside Independent School District on May 8, 2010.**

Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Resolution # 987 by the City Council of the City of Ingleside establishing procedures for a Joint General Election with the Ingleside Independent School District on May 8, 2010; and was seconded by Council Member Lopez. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 15. Consideration and action of the Joint Election Agreement for Election Services with San Patricio County regarding the May 8, 2010 Election.**

City Secretary Kimberly Drysdale stated this is the same agreement as approved in 2009. The fees have not increased.

Council Member Kemp made a motion to approve the Joint Election Agreement for Election Services with San Patricio County regarding the May 8, 2010 Election; and was seconded by Council Member Lopez. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 16. Consideration and action to reschedule the City Council Meeting of February 9, 2010.**

City Manager Jim Gray explained that due to press conferences that a majority of the Council Members are planning to attend in Corpus Christi and San Antonio on February 9, 2010 regarding the Sail South Texas 2010 (Tall Ships) event, it is suggested that the Council consider moving the regular meeting to another date. There was some discussion regarding various dates and whether there are any items needing action prior to the next regular meeting of February 23, 2010.

Council Member Lamas made a motion to move the February 9, 2010 Regular Council Meeting to February 16, 2010 if there are action items requiring a meeting and was seconded by Council Member Kemp. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 17. Discussion regarding options for paperless council packets.**

Mayor Herrmann, City Manager Jim Gray, and City Secretary Kimberly Drysdale have discussed options regarding paperless council packets and the need to bring more technology into the Council Meetings in order to keep the audience more educated with the actions being taken. Mayor Herrmann supports the idea of each council member having a laptop at their stations and therefore no paper being generated unless someone one wanted to print something on their own. Mr. Gray stated that the Candidate Election packets are already on the City's website and easy to download and the staff are expecting to have the agendas and entire council packets on the City's website within the next few weeks. Some Council Members have easier access to a computer and the internet than others and there was some concern there. Mrs. Theresa Flores, IISD Board President, suggested the staff look into the Board Book program that the School Board utilizes.

Mayor Herrmann requested the staff gather more information to start looking at with the six-month budget review.

- 18. Reports from Staff**

City Manager Jim Gray announced that 14 trees were transplanted from Live Oak Park to N.O. Simmons Community Park and the irrigation is forthcoming.

**19. Requests from Council**


Council Member Diehl thanked the Public Works staff for their speedy response to a water leak this past Sunday.

Council Member Lamas thanked the staff for the transplanting of the trees at N.O. Simmons Community Park and stated it they look really good.

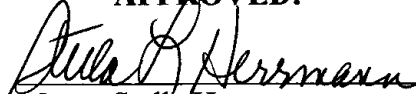
**20. Adjourn**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Kimberly Drysdale, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
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Mayor Stella Herrmann