

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSAL CITY, TEXAS
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 1, 2018

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor John Williams at 6:30 p.m.
2. **QUORUM CHECK:** Kristin Mueller, City Clerk

Present:

Mayor John Williams
Mayor Pro Tem Richard Neville
Councilmember Tom England
Councilmember Bear Goolsby
Councilmember Tom Maxwell
Councilmember William Shelby
Councilmember Beverly Volle

Present:

Ken Taylor, City Manager
Kim Turner, Assistant City Manager
Jameene Williams, City Attorney
Pat Collins, Finance Director
Sal Garcia, Olympia Hills Golf Director
Jesse Hubbard, Fire Captain
Randy Luensmann, Public Works Director
Kristin Mueller, City Clerk
Jaclyn Redmon, Building Official
Katie Rein, Olympia Hills F&B Director

Mayor Williams noted a quorum was present.

3. **INVOCATION:** Mayor Williams gave the invocation.
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE US AND TEXAS FLAG:** Led by Mayor Williams.
5. **VOTE TO CONSIDER THE EXCUSE OF ABSENT MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBERS:**

No action was necessary; all members were present.

6. **AWARDS/PROCLAMATIONS/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Mayor Williams introduced Glenn Whitfield. Mr. Whitfield is a young boy scout in attendance because he is working on his Community and Citizenship Merit Badge.

Mayor Williams asked Councilmember Tom England to read the National Building Month Proclamation declaring May 2018 as Building Safety Month in Universal City. The proclamation was accepted by Building Inspector Jaclyn Redmon and Fire Captain Jesse Hubbard. Mayor Williams stated that fire and building inspectors have very difficult jobs but very necessary jobs for the continued life, health, and safety of the community.

Ms. Redmon detailed the Building Safety Month activities hosted by her department.

Mayor Williams asked Mayor Pro Tem Neville to read the “Put on Purple” Day Proclamation in honor of Lupus Awareness Month. The proclamation encouraged Universal City residents to wear purple on May 18, 2018 to encourage Lupus Awareness.

7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Mayor Pro Tem Neville moved to approve the minutes from the Tuesday, April 17, 018 Regular City Council Meeting with correction. Councilmember Shelby seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: Neville, Shelby, England, Goolsby, Maxwell, Volle
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

8. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD: None.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Consider the Universal City Economic Development Corporation (UCEDC) Board’s Recommendation to Award the Construction Bid for the Gibbs Sprawl Rd/UC Blvd Street Work in the Northlake Business Park.

Councilmember Goolsby recused himself from this agenda item at 7:46 p.m.

Ms. Turner reminded City Council that they authorized the Universal City Economic Development Corporation to issue \$1.6 million in bonds to remove and replace Gibbs Sprawl Rd. The removal and replacement of Gibbs Sprawl Rd was put out to bid with the addition of a median and landscaping. There were five bids received. City Staff is recommending the acceptance of the lowest bid from D&D Contractors in the amount of \$1,589,000.

Councilmember Maxwell moved to award the Gibbs Sprawl Rd/UC Blvd Street Work project to D&D Contractors in the amount of \$1,589,000. Councilmember England seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: Maxwell, England, Neville, Shelby, Volle
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

Councilmember Goolsby returned at 7:48 p.m.

Mayor Williams explained that if there is an item on the agenda that could be a potential conflict of interest with a councilmember, that councilmember can choose to recuse themselves from participating on that particular item.

B. Consider Bid Acceptance for 1604/Kitty Hawk 16” Water Line Crossing.

Public Works Director Randy Luensmann explained that this project was added to the last bond because in 2014 there was a water model that indicated that area of the city needed higher water pressure. There were five responsive bidders. City Staff recommended acceptance of the lowest bid from D. Guerra Construction in the amount of \$451,411.80. D. Guerra Construction is located in San Antonio, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Neville moved to accept the bid from D. Guerra Construction in the amount of \$451,411.80 from D. Guerra Construction. Councilmember Goolsby seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: Neville, Goolsby, England, Maxwell, Shelby, Volle
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

C. Consider Resolution 858: Rifle Resistant Body Armor Grant.

Mr. Taylor explained that the City tries to pursue every grant opportunity available. This grant is offered by the Texas Governor’s Office. It allows for every Texas police officer to have rifle resistant body armor.

Chief Gary Speer showed what the body armor looked like and explained that the resolution is required by the Governor’s office to be eligible for the grant. The grant was started in response to the five Dallas police officers that were shot down in 2017. The funds are already available, and the armor has been ordered. Once the grant paperwork is completed, the funds should be released. Also, he introduced his newest promoted lieutenant, Lt. Tina Vitacco.

Councilmember Volle asked if they wear the body armor over the soft body armor they already wear. Chief Speer explained that they will still wear the soft armor. The practice will be that they carry the hard armor in the car with them and if they know that they are going to be in a situation where they will be at risk of rifle fire, they will put it on when they get out of the car.

Councilmember England moved to approve Resolution 858. Councilmember Shelby seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: England, Shelby, Neville, Goolsby, Maxwell, Volle
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

- D. Discuss & Consider Resolution 859: A Resolution of the City of Universal City, Texas, Authorizing Continued Participation in the CDBG & HOME Programs for FY 2019-1021; Authorizing the Mayor of Said City to Act on Behalf of the City of Universal City, Texas, in All Matters Related to the Application; and Pledging that if a Grant is Received, the City of Universal City Will Comply with the Grant Requirements of the Community Development Block Grant.**

Mr. Taylor stated that Resolution 859 is an annual resolution that must be passed to allow for continued participation in the Community Development Block Grant. The CDBG project has helped to fund 14 years of the Parkview Drainage project and that project has a few more years until completion.

Councilmember Goolsby moved to approve Resolution 859. Councilmember Volle seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: Goolsby, Volle, Neville, England, Maxwell, Shelby
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

- E. Consider Waiver of Penalty and Interest on Tax Account: 05053-906-0070.**

Mr. Taylor informed City Council that there is a letter from Albert Urresti, the City's Tax Assessor/Collector, requesting a waiver of penalty and interest on the listed tax account because of an error made in their office.

Councilmember Shelby moved to waive the penalty and interest on Tax Account: 05053-906-0070. Councilmember Maxwell seconded the motion.

**Vote: Yeas: Shelby, Maxwell, Neville, England, Goolsby, Volle
Nays: None.**

Motion to approve carried.

- F. Consider Financial Report for March 2018.**

Finance Director Pat Collins presented the March 2018 Financial Report and answered questions accordingly.

Councilmember Maxwell moved to approve the March 2018 Financial Report. Councilmember England seconded the motion.

Vote: Yeas: Maxwell, England, Neville, Goolsby, Shelby Volle
Nays: None.

Motion to approve carried.

10. OLD BUSINESS: None.

11. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

1. Stated that the Waste Management Contract is up for renewal in January but there will be two new services offered beginning in June 2018. The "At Your Door" service allows for residents to call Waste Management to schedule a pick up of household waste items like oil, dryers, paint, etc. Waste Management will pick them up at no additional cost. The second service is the "Bagster" service. That will allow residents to schedule a pick up with Waste Management to haul an oversized "bagster" bag that is purchased by the resident from places like Home Depot. Waste Management will haul the oversized bag off for an additional fee of approximately \$140; and
2. Informed that the City will be proposing the funding of a splashpad at Northview Park as early as at the next City Council meeting; and
3. Reminded that Election Day is Saturday, May 5th. The Universal City Fire Fighters Association Pancake Breakfast is also that day. He invited everyone to attend the breakfast and then go vote.

12. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Shelby mentioned that there was Early Voting at the library this week. He also noted that he was excited about the free public wi-fi at Universal City Park.

Councilmember Volle commented that she would like to see a better system for brush pick up and a system that encourages residents to recycle more. She also voiced her support for the great work that the building and safety officials do in Universal City.

Mayor Pro Tem Neville asked if the schedule for the upcoming budget meetings are available.

Councilmember Goolsby made no comments.

Councilmember Maxwell questioned if the "Bagster" program was already operating in Universal City because he has seen several of the bags. He also commended an audience member for continuing to attend council meetings.

Councilmember England shared that he and Mayor Pro Tem Neville were voted onto Council for the first time together in 1994. It has been his ultimate joy to serve Universal City for so many years, but he feels like it is time for him to move on and try other things. He said that he has enjoyed working with Council and City Staff. He encouraged citizens to volunteer on boards and commissions.

13. MAYORAL COMMENTS:

1. Read a letter from Jennifer Beavers stating her sincerest gratitude for City Council adding the mid-street crosswalk at Olympia Elementary. She specifically thanked Councilmember Goolsby for being an advocate for the crosswalk; and
2. Informed City Council that he sent a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency arguing that Bexar County should have the status "Attainment/Unclassifiable"; and
3. Reiterated that Saturday was the Pancake Breakfast, Cinco De Mayo, and Election Date. He encouraged citizens to vote and to "exercise the franchise"; and
4. Mentioned that he will be attending San Antonio's Tricentennial Gala on Thursday afternoon. He will represent Universal City proudly.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.

ATTEST:

Kristin Mueller, City Clerk

John Williams, Mayor