

**MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Call to Order**

The City Council of the City of Katy, Texas, convened in regular session Monday, May 12, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., at Katy Municipal Complex, 910 Avenue C, Katy, Texas. The following City Officials were present:

Fabol Hughes, Mayor  
 Larry Gore, Mayor Pro Tem  
 Chuck Brawner, Councilmember  
 Bill Lawton, Councilmember  
 Jimmy Mendez, Councilmember  
 Steve Pierson, Councilmember  
 Art Pertile, III, City Attorney  
 Missy Bunch, City Secretary  
 Byron Hebert, City Administrator  
 David Leyendecker, City Engineer

**Proclamation Recognizing May 2014 as "Older Americans Month" and Recognizing "2014 Senior Citizen of the Year" – Patsy Williams**

The Mayor read a Proclamation Recognizing May 2014 as "Older Americans Month" and recognizing "2014 Senior Citizen of the Year" – Patsy Williams. Mrs. Williams spoke of loving Katy and the numerous friends and family she has in Katy. Mrs. Williams, her family and numerous friends of hers were present.

**Presentation by Texas Department of Insurance State Fire Marshal's Office for the City of Katy's Achievement of an ISO Public Protection Classification 2 Rating – Jesse Williams, PPC Oversight Officer**

Jesse Williams, PPC Oversight Officer, Texas Department of Insurance State Fire Marshal's Office, presented the City of Katy with an Achievement Award for their recent designation as an ISO Public Protection Classification 2 Rating, which will be effective July 1, 2014. He explained this is quite an accomplishment. He commented that approximately 780 in the United States and an approximate 180 in Texas have received this rating. Williams spoke of the various aspects looked at in determining this rating, such as 9-1-1, number of dispatchers, fire service, to name a few. He complimented Katy by stating this is a community to be proud of and a better place to work and live. The Mayor spoke of the really fine people it took to accomplish this and the recent positive changes. Councilmember Brawner thanked City staff on the recent reorganization of the Fire Department, moving forward with Fire Station No. 2, proposed new apparatus and hiring of quality personnel.

**Presentation from 2014 Katy Jazz Festival Representative Bob Bryant, Executive Director of Fine Arts, Katy Independent School District**

Bob Bryant, Executive Director of Fine Arts, Katy Independent School District, explained this is the third year for the Katy Jazz Festival and thanked the City for their support through Hotel Occupancy Tax funds. Bryant referred to the data sheet with numbers from various media venues promoting the event and the City of Katy. He spoke of there being interest worldwide. He thanked the local newspaper The Katy Times, presented the City with an autographed poster and commented he is looking forward to next year's event.

**Introduction by City Administrator Byron Hebert of the Architects for the New Fire Station No. 2 – Slattery Tackett Architects, LLP**

City Administrator Byron Hebert introduced Slattery Tackett Architects, LLP, as the new Architects for the new proposed Fire Station No. 2. David Slattery, Slattery Tackett Architects, LLP, explained it was an honor to be a part of the growth and to work with the City of Katy.

**Introduction by City Administrator Byron Hebert of the New Tourism Marketing Specialist – Kayce L. Reina**

City Administrator Byron Hebert introduced Kayce Reina as the City's new Tourism Marketing Specialist. Reina thanked the City Administrator and expressed that she was happy to be a part of the City of Katy and looks forward to working with City Councilmember, citizens and the community to drive tourism, since Katy is a great place to live and visit.

**Public Comments**

Laure (*last name and address not given*) thanked City Council for continuing to recognize the people as public and not guests. She stated it is rare to thank government officials, but is worth saying.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Lawton, approving as printed and presented the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 9) Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - A) Consider Approval of 04-14-2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - B) Consider Approval of 04-28-2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 10) Consider Events
  - A) Consider American Diabetes Association Annual Tour de Cure Cycling Event to be held Saturday, 09-20-2014 (*start/finish Katy Mills Mall*) (*portion inside city limits only*)
  - B) Consider the Request from Alief Baptist Church to Close Off Second Street between Avenue A and East Avenue for their BBQ Cook-Off and Family Fun Day, to be held Saturday, 06-21-2014, from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- 11) Consider Cancelling Monday, May 26, 2014, Regular City Council Meeting (*Memorial Day*)

All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Consider Accepting Public Improvements (Sanitary Sewer and Storm Sewer Extension) Along WoodCreek Bend Lane**

Motion was made by Councilmember Lawton, seconded by Councilmember Pierson, accepting the Public Improvements (*sanitary sewer and storm sewer extension*) along WoodCreek Bend Lane. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Consider Award Bid for 2014 Drainage Improvement Project to Menade Construction, Inc., Kingwood, Texas, in the Amount of \$449,400.00, for a Total Project Cost of \$536,780.00 (total project cost includes construction, contingencies, engineering, surveying and inspection)**

Motion was made by Councilmember Mendez, awarding the 2014 Town Park Drainage Improvement Project to Menade Construction, Inc., Kingwood, Texas, in the Amount of \$449,400.00, for a Total Project Cost of \$536,780.00 (*total project cost includes construction, contingencies, engineering, surveying and inspection*), there was no second. The motion was amended by Councilmember Brawner, and Councilmember Gore, awarding to Scohill Construction, Inc., Kingwood, Texas, in the Amount of \$445,52500, for a Total Project Cost of \$536,780.00 (*total project cost includes construction, contingencies, engineering, surveying and inspection*). All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**2014 Town Park Drainage Improvement Project - Consider Use of Reserve Funds to Complete the Proposed Drainage Project**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Brawner approving as printed and presented the authorization for the use of Reserve Funds to complete the proposed 2014 Town Park Drainage Improvement Project. All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Consider Convention and Tourism Bureau Hotel Occupancy Tax Grant Application for Southland Conference – 2015 Basketball Tournament, March 11-15, 2015, Leonard E. Merrell Center, Fort Bend County, Amount Requested is \$120,000.00 (Tourism-Related Advertising and Promotion of the City of Katy and its Vicinity; Sporting Events in Which Majority of Participants are Tourists in Cities Located in a County with Population of One Million or Less) (approved by CTB 04-23-2014) (pulled from 04-28-2014 City Council Agenda)**

Tom Burnett, Southland Conference, reported on another successful basketball event and commented on the increasing attendance. He spoke of the additional hotels located within the city limits and complimented the City on their hospitality. He gave a brief presentation on the 2014 Basketball Tournament held March 12-15, 2014, at the Merrell Center. He reported the tournament involved 16 teams and over 13,000 fans throughout the event and over 100 media members in attendance from national and expanded television stations. He spoke of the winning teams, various types of advertising throughout the Conference area, the City's promotional video being run on various broadcast stations and the numerous vouchers presented to local students. He spoke of the great relationship the City has with Conference personnel. Burnett explained the Merrell Center has reserved the dates for the 2015 event to be held March 11-15. He asked for Council's approval of the requested funds. Motion was made by Councilmember Brawner, seconded by Councilmember Lawton, approving as printed and presented Convention and Tourism Bureau Hotel Occupancy Tax Grant Application for Southland Conference – 2015 Basketball Tournament, March 11-14, 2015, Leonard E. Merrell Center, Fort Bend County, Amount Requested is \$120,000.00 (Tourism-Related Advertising & Promotion of the City; Sporting Events in a County Under One Million in Population). All voted Aye, and the motion carried.

**Councilmembers' Reports**

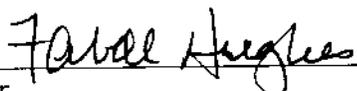
Councilmember Lawton spoke of the numerous good items reported on this evening, such as the ISO Rating being confirmed, new Fire Station progress, the Katy Jazz Festival and the Southland Conference event. Councilmember Gore spoke of the City Election being cancelled the new City Councilmembers taking office on May 19, 2014. He explained that since this is his last official City Council meeting, he wanted to thank the people of Katy and the citizens for allowing him to represent them and commented he will talk more next Monday. He said God bless Katy. Councilmember Brawner thanked all for attending the meeting. He believed the City is fortunate to have David Slattery designing the new fire station and commented they are continuing to tour new fire stations, with new concept ideas. Brawner spoke highly of the Katy All-Star band and how absolutely outstanding the event was. Councilmember Mendez explained he was glad to see the ISO Rating confirmed, he congratulated Patsy Williams, he welcomed Kayce Reina, he thanked Bob Bryant for his presentation and he thanked City Engineer David Leyendecker for his assistance with the Town Park drainage issue. Mendez also thanked Public Works Director Elaine Lutringer for always handling his concerns with immediate action and believes she does not get the recognition that she deserves and how much easier she has made his job.

**Mayor's Reports**

The Mayor echoed the comments made about City Engineer Leyendecker's hard work on the Town Park drainage issue and the positive comments about Public Works Director Elaine Lutringer, who he cannot say enough good things about. He congratulated Patsy Williams on being Senior Citizen of the Year and commented she is the shining light around Katy and it was an honor to have presented the award to her. He spoke of the Fire Department being in not so good a shape a year ago and after appointing Councilmember Brawner how he and the advisory group had moved the Fire Department forward to one that the City can be proud of and depend on. The Mayor welcomed Kayce Reina to the City and commented she will have a full plate soon.

**Adjourn**

Motion was made by Councilmember Pierson, seconded by Councilmember Brawner, to adjourn the meeting. All voted Aye, and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary