

Montgomery City Council-----February 26, 2008

Montgomery City Hall-----7:00 p.m.

Present:	Travis Mabry	Position #1
	Timothy McWashington	Position #2
	Kirk Jones	Position #3
	Joe Shockley	Position #4
	Thomas Knight	Position #5
	Edith Moore	Mayor
	Brant Gary	City Administrator
	Scott Mason	Assistant to City Administrator
	Carol Langley	City Secretary
	Bryan Fowler	City Attorney
	Bill Kotlan	City Engineer

Mayor Moore declared a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Timothy McWashington gave the invocation.

VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

Bill Cummings stated that he objected to the MIDC spending \$75,000.00 for The Home Depot Store. He felt like the money could be spent on street lights and upgrade of the streets.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS:

1. Comments from the Mayor (Mayor, Edith Moore)
None at this time
2. Comments from the City Administrator/Staff Reports (Brant Gary, City Administrator)
Brant Gary explained to the council that concerns about the use of the Community Building for commercial purposes would need to be addressed in the Policy and Procedure Manual under Use of City Facilities. It is owned by the County and managed by the City so therefore it could fall under that topic. The new extension of Lone Star Parkway is expected to open Monday at 10:00 a.m. A traffic study will be conducted after the extension is opened to determine if a signal is warranted. Pending rule changes from the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District will need to be looked at and discussed at a later meeting. The county CDBG will be holding a meeting on March 25th at 6:00 p.m. and Brant will attend that concerning a project to help with infrastructure in the Town Creek Area. Brant stated that the agenda for the City Council meeting would be alright one due to his not being present. Comments about a proposed irrigation well on Lone Star Parkway and cleaning ditches out on Lawson St. were made.

CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Matters related to the minutes of the City council meeting held on February 12,

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4. Matters related to consideration and possible action on an order calling for a City Election

Timothy McWashington stated that the minutes should be corrected to change the Position 1 and 2 to the right person. Thomas Knight made the motion to approve The consent agenda items # 3 & 4 with corrections. Timothy McWashington Seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

5. Matters related to the consideration of renewal of a HUD-Code Manufactured Homes Park Permit

Brant Gary, city administrator explained that the owner of the park had not had time to repair the streets due to the inspection being done on Monday before the meeting. Brant asked for this item to be tabled until end of March. Timothy McWashington made the motion to table until the last meeting in March. Kirk Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Comments were made that the same items were always on the inspection and the streets were in bad shape.

6. Matters related to consideration of a proposal to develop a Water and Sewer Rate Model

Brant Gary explained to the council this is a proposal for engineering services to Prepare a Rate Model for the City. It includes growth and water revenue Projections based on the current rates. Design of new rates based on projections of water and sewer system. Projections of revenue based on the proposed rates. Bill Kotlan explained to the council this is an instrument that will help with the information needed to get bonds and other projects. Discussion was taken on the cost of the work and were budgeted. Kirk Jones made the motion to approve the proposal for the Water Rate Model. Thomas Knight seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Matters related to consideration of a proposed ordinance concerning objectionable noise levels

Brant Gary explained to the council that the proposed ordinance came from information gathered from various cities. He explained the ordinance prohibits the usage of “jake brakes”, and this will require the installation of additional signs warning trucks and automobiles entering into the City. Discussion was taken on noise originating from outside of the city limits, the permit process and the instrument to properly measure the sound level. Bryan Fowler, city attorney and Police Chief, Kenneth Hudgens discussed the ordinance and would to review it with the court prosecutor and bring back to council. Thomas Knight made the motion to send to the city attorney, Bryan Fowler for study and bring back to council. Travis Mabry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Matters related to consideration of a MIDC expenditure relating to a financial

Incentive in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 towards the construction of a Home Depot retail store in the city

Brant Gary stated that this item should be tabled until a later date. Travis Mabry made the motion to table until a later date. Timothy McWashington seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Matters related to consideration regarding proposed City Financial Management Policy Statements

Brant Gary explained that discussion and workshops were held regarding certain items and the set of policy statements. Joe Shockley made the motion to adopt the Financial Management Policy Statements as presented. Travis Mabry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Matters related to consideration of a City Policies and Procedures Manual

Brant Gary explained to council that during the workshop one change was discussed and modified in the new manual. Kirk Jones made the motion to approve the ordinance adopting the new Policy and Procedures Manual. Timothy McWashington seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Timothy McWashington made the motion to adjourn. Travis Mabry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.