

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ruge called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

City Secretary Alicia Ramirez certified a quorum with the following Council Members present:

Mayor Todd Ruge  
Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Lane  
Council Member Angela Kennedy  
Council Member Eileen Altmiller  
Council Member Wiley Hopkins  
Council Member Jose Montoya  
Council Member George Haehn  
Kenneth Williams, City Manager

City Staff in attendance: Assistant City Manager Brian La Borde, City Secretary Alicia Ramirez, Finance Director Sidonna Foust, City Engineer Stanley Fees, Chance Sparks, Planning Director, Chief of Police Bo Kidd, Library Director Melinda Hodges, Tourism Director Lysa Gonzalez, Parks & Recreation Director Drew Wells, Public Works Director Mike Beggs, and Water Specialist Brian Lillibridge.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comment was made by Paul Morgan of 165 Enchanted Woods Trail, Buda, TX; JR Gonzales of 203 Railroad Street, Buda, TX; Norma Williams of 590 RR 967 #2202, Buda, TX; Hutch White of 673 Roseberry, Buda, TX, former City Council member; Bryan Poff of 726 Mesa Drive, Buda, TX, kudos to councils regarding water needs; Billy Gray of 767 Main Street, Buda, TX, former City Council member and mayor; Keely O'Dell of 220 Vine Drive, Dripping Springs, TX; Karen McBee of 1194 Rutherford Drive, Driftwood, TX; Craig Smith of 12910 Buckwheat Pass, Buda, TX; Eddy O'Dell of 1194 Rutherford Drive, Buda, TX; John Hatch of 216 Lear Avenue, Buda, TX.

**RECOGNITION**

**PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER KIM HOWELL AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEMBERS BENITA GUNN AND JOHN JACKSON**

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2015 SAFE DIGGING MONTH**

Acceptance was made by Assistant City Manager and One-Call Board Texas Board Member Brian LaBorde, Public Works Director Mike Beggs, Center Point Energy Operations Supervisor Wendy Jenschke, Center Point Energy Area Manager Jimmy Gambino, Center Point Energy South Texas District Director Nelda Juarez, CEO of Cox Utility Services and the South Texas Damage Prevention Committee Chairperson Mark Konwerski, and Damage Prevention Manager of Texas 811 Doug Meeks.

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2015 CHILD ABUSE & SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

Acceptance was made by Hays-Caldwell Women's Center, Community Partnerships Coordinator Garrie Borden.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND PURCHASE ORDER THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING NETWORK FOR THE PROCUREMENT AND INSTALLATION OF FY 2014-15 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT: LIGHTS FOR JACKSON TYLER NORRIS MEMORIAL SKATE PARK BY T.F. HARPER AND ASSOCIATES**

Parks & Recreation Director Drew Wells presented background information.

Public comment was made by Citizen Tommy Poer of 101 S. San Marcos, Buda, TX.

Motion, to authorize and execute the contract with T.F. Harper and Associates, as presented, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lane and seconded by Council Member Montoya. Motion carried unanimously.

**WORKSHOP**

**WORKSHOP AND PRESENTATION BY MR. ERIC NELSON WITH LOCKWOOD ANDREWS AND NEWNAM REGARDING HILLSIDE TERRACE SUBDIVISION WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE CITY OF BUDA**

Eric Nelson presented background information. *A copy of the presentation is part of the permanent supplemental record.*

General discussion was held on the scoring and ranking criteria, shelf life of the design document, the private property required for the lift station, states reimbursement allocation with a possible 70% loan forgiveness process.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**PRESENTATION ON THE HAYS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 (ESD2) MAY 9, 2015 SPECIAL ELECTION AND RELATED MATTERS**

Fire Chief Clay Huckaby presented background information. *A copy of the presentation is part of the permanent supplemental record.* He introduced Commissioner Jim Hollis. He distributed a flyer noting the flyer was mailed to each registered voter within ESD No. 2 Hays County. He explained although noted on the ballot as increasing a .10 cent per \$100 valuation, he informed staff will consider .05 cents per \$100 valuation. Chief Huckaby announced the department will hold a Townhall meeting on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

Responding to a question by Council, City Secretary Alicia Ramirez informed early voting for the election will begin on Monday, April 27, 2015 through May 5, 2015.

**PRESENTATION ON THE WATER TANK REHABILITATION REPAIR AND PUBLIC NOTIFICATION MEASURES**

Public Works Director Mike Beggs presented background information. *A copy of the presentation is part of the permanent supplemental record.*

General discussion was held on the signage, website, and social media campaign. Mr. Beggs informed drip irrigation would be allowed during this period.

**DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING AN UPDATE BY ECM, BOND PROGRAM MANAGER, AND FINANCIAL ADVISOR, SPECIALIZED PUBLIC FINANCE, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BOND PROGRAM AND DISCUSSION ON THE FIRST BOND ISSUE FOR THE 2014 BOND PROGRAM**

Assistant City Manager Brian LaBorde presented background information. He introduced ECM Representatives Terry Whitman and Troy Kittell, and Specialized Public Finance, Inc. Bond Attorney Jennifer Douglas. *A copy of the presentation is part of the permanent supplemental record.*

Ms. Douglas informed on the tax rate projection on a single issue and the ability to capture small city borrower credits. She informed the issuance will be presented for approval on May 5, 2015.

General discussion was held on making sure the Council had flexibility to set the interest rate and possible future increased rates. Ms. Douglas informed since the voters have already approved the projects, no action was required at this time until May 5, 2015.

In conclusion, Council agreed to move forward with the Construction Manager at Risk.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 17, 2015 AND MARCH 30, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**APPROVAL OF A FINAL PLAT FOR THE RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 2B, BLOCK A OF THE RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 2A, BLOCK A, BELLA VITA PHASE 2, TOTALING 1.368 ACRES AND LOCATED AT THE EASTERN TERMINUS OF VIA VERONA PRIVATE STREET (ESTABLISHING BELLA VITA PHASE 3)**

**APPROVAL OF A FINAL PLAT FOR SUNFIELD PHASE 2, SECTION 5, BEING 26.292 ACRES LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SUN BRIGHT BOULEVARD AND TANGERINE BOULEVARD**

Motion, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lane and seconded by Council Member Montoya. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECESS**

At 8:11 P.M., Mayor Ruge called a recess.

**RECONVENE**

At 8:25 P.M., Council reconvened, and the following business was transacted:

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PUBLIC HEARING HELD IN REGARDS TO THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND ENGINEERING PLAN (CWSRF) FOR THE HILLSIDE TERRACE SUBDIVISION WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE PURPOSE TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT AND ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE**

City Attorney George Hyde informed and explained the statutory requirements of the public hearing. City Engineer Stanley Fees presented background information. *A copy of the presentation and statutory requirements is part of the permanent supplemental record.*

Design Engineer Eric Nelson provided and read the statement of purpose and project summary into the record. He informed during the question and answer period, each individual shall state their full name for the record prior to any questions. Mr. Nelson noted the design team will only be able to answer questions at this time. The comment period was opened to the public. No comments being made, Mr. Nelson closed the comment period.

The City Council Members in attendance were read in as the list of witnesses to the hearing by the City Secretary Alicia Ramirez.

Mayor Todd Ruge  
Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Lane  
Council Member Angela Kennedy  
Council Member Wiley Hopkins  
Council Member Jose Montoya  
Council Member George Haehn  
Council Member Eileen Altmiller

Mr. Nelson proceeded to the open public testimony. He informed the public may provide testimony (written or oral) specific to this project at this time. Mr. Nelson instructed each individual to state their full name for the record prior to any testimony

Mayor Ruge opened the testimony session at 8:27 p.m. No testimony being heard, Mayor Ruge closed the testimony session at 8:34 p.m.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

City Manager Kenneth Williams introduced newly hired Water Specialist Brian Lillibridge.

Planning Director Chance Sparks introduced newly hired Planner Merideth Johnson.

City Attorney George Hyde introduced Associate Attorney Catarina Gonzales.

#### **AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT TO SOUTH BUDA WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1 TOWARD THE CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE II LIFT STATION AND FORCE MAIN FACILITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 7.2 OF THE CONSENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 2, 2005 BETWEEN THE CITY OF BUDA, SOUTH BUDA WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1 (WCID#1), THE MEADOWS AT BUDA, LTD., LENNAR BUFFINGTON HORTON, L.P. AND NEWSTAND BUDA, LTD. (FY 2014-15 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)**

City Engineer Stanley Fees presented background information.

Motion, to authorize payment in the amount of \$750,000.00 from the Wastewater Fund to WCID #1, as presented, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded by Council Member Haehn. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT OF FIVE (5) LIBRARY COMMISSION MEMBERS FOR THE CITY OF BUDA**

Library Director Melinda Hodges presented background information.

Motion, to nominate and reappoint: Sue Bellows, Juli Barksdale, and Jon Marc Hunter, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lane and seconded by Council Member Altmiller. Motion carried unanimously

Motion, to nominate and appoint Janice Kearley to a full term, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded by Council Member Altmiller. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion, to nominate and appoint Yvonne Casarez for an unexpired term, was made by Council Member Altmiller and Council Member Haehn. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM**

Planning Director Chance Sparks presented background information.

Motion, to nominate and appoint Angela Britain, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lane and seconded by Council Member Altmiller. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE EPPSTEIN GROUP TO PROVIDE A COMMUNICATIONS PLAN FOR THE CITY'S WATER-PLANNING AND CONSERVATION EFFORTS**

Assistant City Manager Brian LaBorde presented background information. He introduced Bryan Eppstein, President of the Eppstein Group, and Tim Reeves, Public Affairs Account Executive / Project Manager.

Mr. Hyde informed the proposed contract had a few changes and suggested the item be approved with final approval and review by the City Attorney.

City Manager Kenneth Williams informed the contract was proposed for \$60K and will be funded from the water fund for 90 days.

Motion, to authorize the Professional Services Agreement with the Eppstein Group, as presented, upon final review and approval by the City Attorney, and authorization for the City Manager to execute said contract, was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lane and seconded by Council Member Montoya. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:00 P.M., Council convened in Executive Session under the provision of Government Code, Title 5. Open Government; Ethics, Subtitle A. Open Government, Chapter 551. Open Meetings, Subchapter D. Exceptions to Requirement that Meetings be Open, §551.071 Consultations with Attorney on Consultation and deliberation with legal counsel for legal advice regarding the provision of public utilities within the City of Buda.

#### **CONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION AND TAKE ACTION, IF ANY, ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

At 10:13 P.M., Council reconvened, and the following business was transacted, if any, on matters discussed in executive session.

### **STAFF REPORT**

City Attorney George Hyde provided an update on the collection of delinquent occupancy taxes from Microtel Hotel noting the company provided over \$63K in recovered costs.

Parks & Recreation Director Drew Wells provided a report on the Easter Egg Hunt noting the event had a good turnout. He recognized the Connection Church and YMCA for their assistance in coordinating the event. He also informed City staff was available to answer questions and distribute information. Mr. Wells announced the Budafun Fish has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 18, 2015 with the assistance of the Texas Parks and Wildlife.

City Manager Kenneth Williams acknowledged staff for their efforts in presenting themselves in a more professional manner.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Kenneth Williams

- 2014 Bond Program
- Capital Improvement projects
- Developments
- Drainage projects
- Engineering Department
- Finance Department
- General May Election Update
- Grant related projects
- Law Enforcement
- Legislative Update
- Library Projects
- Parks & Recreation Department
- Planning Department
- Road projects
- Special projects
- Tourism Projects
- Wastewater projects
- Water projects

### **ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

Mayor Ruge recognized Ms. Tommy Poer as the Citizen of the Year.

### **CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Council Member Kennedy Requested feedback regarding the Picerne Development, specifically school crowding issue and to work with school district to provide a presentation regarding such.

Council Member Kennedy suggested staff review the Comprehensive Plan to maintain economic diversity related to community develop for city to implement policies or programs that work towards affordable housing.

Council Member Montoya commented on short term renters and possible policy control.

Mayor Ruge requested the cost associated with implementing a dog park. He suggested conducting a workshop to gauge the City Council's willingness to consider such a park initiative and discuss the matter during the budget discussions.

**ADJOURNMENT**


Motion, to adjourn the meeting, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lane. Motion carried unanimously.

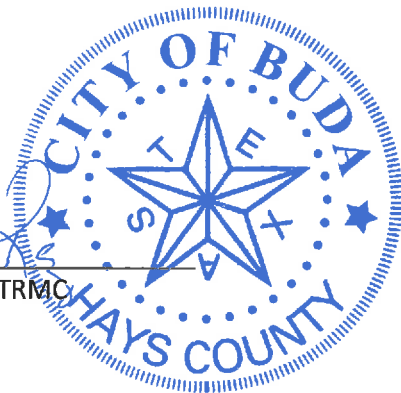
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

**THE CITY OF BUDA, TEXAS**

  
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Todd Ruge, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Alicia Ramirez, TRMC  
City Secretary



**In accordance with Article III, Section 3.10, of the Official Code of the City of Buda, the minutes of this meeting consist of the preceding Minute Record and the Supplemental Minute Record. Details on Council meetings may be obtained from the City Secretary's Office, or video of the entire meeting may be downloaded from the website. (Portions of the Supplemental Minute Record video tape recording may be distorted due to equipment malfunction or other uncontrollable factors.)**

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