

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ruge called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

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

Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Lane was absent and excused from the meeting.

City Staff in attendance: Assistant City Manager Brian La Borde, City Secretary Alicia Ramirez, 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, Water Specialist Brian Lillibridge, Economic Development Director Ann Miller, and Executive Assistant Isabel Fernandez

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REGULAR AGENDA

AUTHORIZATION OF THE LETTER AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY SUPPLY OF ADDITIONAL WATER TO BUDA BETWEEN THE CITY OF BUDA, THE CITY OF KYLE, THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, THE GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY (GBRA), AND HAYS CALDWELL PUBLIC UTILITY AGENCY (HCPUA), AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID LETTER

Water Specialist Brian Lillibridge and HCPUA Executive Director Graham Moore presented background information.

Mr. Moore reviewed the various stages of this approval process and briefly reviewed the commitments of the parties outlined in the agreement.

Public comment was made by Commissioner Will Conley of 701 Mt. Crest, Wimberley, TX.

General discussion was held on the potential cost of the project and the cost recovery basis calculation. City Manager Kenneth Williams informed HCPUA hired HDR Representative Grady Reed to assist in calculating the cost.

Motion, to authorize the letter, as presented, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded Council Member Montoya. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE CITY OF BUDA

City Manager Kenneth Williams presented background information. *A copy of the presentation is part of the permanent supplemental record.*

General discussion was held on the employee salary increase versus the health insurance rate increase, maintaining a benefit level for employees to utilize the insurance benefit, the benefits to the citizens of hiring additional personnel, and the promotional incentive within the salary survey component.

Council suggested management consider authorizing additional funds for those employees at salaries below the minimum threshold plus the recommended 4%, which would equate to an additional \$1200/year.

Council Member Haehn commended Mr. Williams and staff for their tremendous efforts on the presentation. Council concurred.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 BUDGET

Finance Manager Sidonna Foust presented background information.

Mayor Ruge opened the public comment period at 8:08 p.m. No comments made, Mayor Ruge closed the comment period at 8:08 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 2015 PROPOSED TAX RATE

Finance Manager Sidonna Foust presented background information.

Mayor Ruge opened the public comment period at 8:09 p.m. No comments made, Mayor Ruge closed the comment period at 8:09 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 18, 2015 AND AUGUST 25, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, was made by Council Member Haehn and seconded Council Member Montoya. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Ruge abstained from the August 25th meeting vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE SYSTEM OF TRAILS, SIDEWALKS, AND PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS IN BUDA

Parks & Recreation Director Drew Wells presented background information.

General discussion was held on the Highway 967/1626 intersection, the city's connectivity requirement to install sidewalks via flood plain dedication, safe routes to school grants and completed projects, and adding sidewalks in the downtown area as part of the drainage infrastructure improvements.

RESCHEDULING OF THE OCTOBER 6, 2015 AND NOVEMBER 3, 2015 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS

City Secretary Alicia Ramirez presented background information and suggested the following:

- October 6th rescheduled for Tuesday, October 13th
- November 3rd rescheduled for Tuesday, November 10th

Motion, to approve, as presented, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded Council Member Kennedy. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council did not convene in Executive Session.

STAFF REPORT

STAFF REPORT AND UPDATE ON 2014 BOND PROGRAM

Assistant City Manager Brian LaBorde presented background information.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Kenneth Williams

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

Mr. Williams announced the first Citizen's Academy class will be held on Thursday, September 3, 2015.

CITY COUNCIL'S BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Kennedy - Central Texas Air Coalition in August; challenge by Mobility Austin – share a ride and/or work from home

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Council Member Haehn announced he participated in the Paralyzed Veterans of America event.

CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion, to adjourn the meeting, was made by Mayor Ruge and seconded by Council Member Haehn. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

THE CITY OF BUDA, TEXAS

Todd Ruge, Mayor

ATTEST:

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.)