

Minutes

The City of Princeton

Regular City Council Meeting of September 9, 2008

The City Council of the City of Princeton, Texas, met in regular session in the Council Chamber of City Hall on September 9, 2008 at 7:02 p.m.

The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor Pro Tempore Billy Combest, Councilmember JM Caldwell Sr, Councilmember Rick Wheeler, Councilmember Bruce Beauchamp and Councilmember Ken Bowers. The following Staff Members were present: City Administrator Lee Lawrence, Deputy City Secretary Tabatha Monk, City Attorney Bonnie Goldstein, Finance Director Patty Martinez, Economic Development Coordinator Cathy Dunkel, Permit Tech Kathy Morris, Director of Public Works Jeff Cartwright, Fire Marshall Derek Borg, Fire Chief Mike Woody and Chief Barnett. The following Councilmember was absent: Mayor Steven Deffibaugh.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** asked Councilmember **Wheeler** to lead the Council and audience in the invocation.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then asked Councilmember **Beauchamp** to lead the audience in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced **Citizen Appearance**. No one spoke.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the Consent Agenda: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. "Discussion and

possible approval to ratify the executed agreement between the City of Princeton and Collin County Elections for election services". "Discussion and possible approval of a letter of engagement between the City of Princeton and Biggs & Mathews, Inc. with regard to the water & sewer CCN application". "Discussion and possible approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Princeton and Collin County for Library services". Councilmember **Wheeler made a motion to approve**. Councilmember **Beauchamp seconded the motion**. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the first item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-209)** "Presentation of Proclamation declaring September 17 – 23, 2008 as Constitution Week". Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** presented the Proclamation to Lillian Hughes.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the second item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-210)** "Second public hearing to consider comment on the proposed tax rate of \$0.72839 per \$100 valuation".

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Mark Nicholson spoke against the proposed tax rate.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** closed the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** announced the third item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-211)** "Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the proposed 2008/2009 budget for fiscal year 2008/2009". Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** announced this item was going to be discussed in executive session. Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** opened this item back up after executive session. Councilmember **Beauchamp made a motion to remove the Sergeant position from the Police Department budget and put those monies back into the general fund**. Councilmember **Wheeler seconded the motion**. Councilmember **Caldwell opposed the motion**. The **motion carried 4-1**.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the fourth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-212)** "Public hearing regarding the proposed fiscal year 2008/2009 budget for the City of Princeton".

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** opened the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

No one spoke on this item.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** closed the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the fifth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-213)** "Discussion and possible approval to accept the final plat for Auto Zone to be located at the northeast corner of Hwy. 380 and 2nd Street, Princeton, Texas". Councilmember **Caldwell made a motion to approve the final plat.**

Councilmember **Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the sixth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-214)** "Discussion and possible approval of a request to Texas Department of Transportation to re-route FM 75". Mr. Lawrence spoke regarding this item. Council asked that Mr. Lawrence send a letter to TxDot asking to relocate FM 75 as discussed. Councilmember **Caldwell made a motion to approve.** Councilmember **Beauchamp seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the seventh item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-215)** "Discussion and possible approval of Parkland Dedication Ordinance". Mr. Lawrence reviewed the proposed ordinance. Councilmember **Bowers made a motion to table this item until the next regular meeting and allow the Council to review and gather more information.** Councilmember **Wheeler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the eighth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2008-216)** "Discussion of use of workshop agendas/meetings". Suggestions were made that the first meeting of the month be the workshop agenda and the second meeting of the month be the action agenda. There was no action taken on this item.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the ninth item under the Regular Agenda:

(2008-217) "Discussion of contract between City and Princeton VFD for fire prevention and fire protection services". Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** announced this item was going to be discussed in executive session. After executive session Council announced that a committee of two Councilmembers, headed up by Councilmember **Beauchamp**, would meet with the Fire Department to discuss the proposed changes between the City of Princeton and the Princeton Volunteer Fire Department. No action was required.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the first item under the Report Agenda "Mayor".

No comments.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the second item under the Report Agenda "Council".

Councilmember **Caldwell** expressed his appreciation for the Volunteer Fire Department. He also asked that on the next regular meeting the following streets be put on the agenda for discussion: Caldwell, Bois D Arc, and Mable.

Councilmember **Beauchamp** echoed his appreciation to the Volunteer Fire Department.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced the third item under the Report Agenda "Administrator".

Mr. Lawrence reminded the Council of the Special City Council meeting on September 16, 2008.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** announced the Council would be going into Executive Session

citing the following: **Section 551.071 (b) "Texas Government Code"** Consultation with City Attorney. **Section 551.071 (a) "Texas Government Code"** Pending or Contemplated litigation. **Section 551.072 "Texas Government Code"** Real Property. **Section 551.074 (a)(1) "Texas Government Code"** Personnel.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** adjourned into Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** reconvened into Regular Session at 10:33 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** then announced "Action pertaining to the Executive Session". No action required.

Councilmember **Wheeler** made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember **Caldwell** seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest** adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

Billy H Combest 10-14-15
Billy Combest, Mayor Pro Tempore Date

ATTEST:

Lesia Thornhill 10/14/15
Lesia Thornhill, City Secretary Date