

**BELTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 11, 2010**

The Belton City Council met in regular session with the following members present: Mayor Jim Covington, Mayor Pro Tem Marion Grayson, Councilmembers Clifton Peters, David K. Leigh, Wayne Carpenter, Craig Pearson, and John Agan. There were no members absent. Staff present were John Messer, Sam Listi, Connie Torres, Cristy Daniell, Fred Morris, Les Hallbauer, Gene Ellis, Roy Harmon, Byron Sinclair, Jerri Gauntt, and Kim Kroll.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag was led by Library Director Kim Kroll, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by Councilmember David K. Leigh, and the Invocation was given by Darren Walker of the First United Methodist Church.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Administer the Oath of Office to City Councilmembers. The City Attorney administered the Oath of Office to Jim Covington, Marion Grayson and John Agan.

Selection of Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Peters made a motion to nominate Marion Grayson to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pearson and carried unanimously.

Public comments.

Kristin Wheeler, Heart of Texas Chapter, Muscular Dystrophy Association, 6515 Sanger Avenue, Waco, requested Belton Fire Department personnel be allowed to conduct their "Fill the Boot" campaign by soliciting at street intersections. (Current City ordinance prohibits soliciting in roadways due to safety concerns, therefore City personnel solicit contributions in front of local businesses.) She introduced Barbara Hernandez, 705 Antelope Trail, Temple, who talked about her son who has MD, and the benefits achieved from contributions to the campaign. Ms. Hernandez also requested the City allow its firefighters to solicit contributions in the streets. Ms. Wheeler provided the Council with copies of SB 245, which provides for local authorization for solicitation by pedestrians. The Mayor indicated staff would look into the request.

Presentation of Proclamations:

- A. National Police Week, May 9-15, 2010 – The Mayor read the proclamation and presented it to Police Chief Gene Ellis. The Chief introduced the Police Department's new mascot, a dog that will be named by a contest among BISD students.
- B. Public Works Week, May 16-22, 2010 – The Mayor read the proclamation and presented it to Public Works Director Les Hallbauer.

Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Councilmember Leigh, seconded by Councilmember Agan, the following items were unanimously approved:

Minutes of the April 13, 2010 meeting. Approved as presented.

Consider appointments to the Texas Dormitory Finance Authority Board of Directors.

Appointed Chuck Douglas and Bry Ewan to two year terms, replacing Carl Bozon and Ed Wilks who did not seek reappointment.

Consider amendment of the Belton Economic Development Corporation budget for marketing, dues, supplies and incentives.

Approved the budget amendment reallocating \$142,418 from the Spec Building account for dues, marketing consultant/materials, and incentive commitments. The BEDC Board recommended approval of the item at its May 4, 2010 meeting.

Consider authorizing submission of a 2010/2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant application to the Department of Homeland Security for a tanker/pumper.

Authorized submission of the grant application in the amount of \$235,000 for a tanker/pumper, to include the City's local 5% match of \$13,731.

Consider authorizing the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Vanguard Contractors for foundation repair and treatment at the Harris Community Center.

Approved Change Order No. 2 to repair the concrete foundation skirt at the northeast and northwest building corners, and to coat the skirt with Thorolastic sealer to prevent water infiltration. This was not part of the original building project scope, nor Change Order No. 1 (approved March 9, 2010 by the Council), but highly recommended by the City's architect. The total price is \$6,245 with funding to come from the remaining contingency approved in Change Order No.1 (\$3,147.80), and the additional \$3,097.20 to come from the Capital Projects Fund.

Consider authorizing extension of contracts for miscellaneous street project components.

- A. Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete – Approved a one-year extension of the contract with APAC-Texas, Inc. (who purchased Wheeler Coatings), which reflects a slight increase in pricing caused by rising fuel and liquid asphalt prices as shown below:

Description	Measure	Old Bid Pricing	New Bid Pricing
1.5" HMAC Typed D	SY	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.40
2.0" HMAC Type D	SY	\$ 9.50	\$ 9.65
Type D Overage	TN	\$ 65.00	\$ 68.25

- B. Portland Cement Concrete – Approved a one-year extension of the contract with Dixon Paving, which reflects revised pricing as follows:

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Description	Measure	Old Bid Pricing	New Bid Pricing
24" curb and gutter	LF	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.25
18" ribbon curb	LF	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.75
20' concrete radius	EA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
6" valley gutter	SY	\$ 34.00	\$ 35.00
6" thick driveways	SY	\$ 34.00	\$ 34.00
4" thick sidewalks	SY	\$ 28.00	\$ 30.00
1"x4" redwood joint	LF	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.00
30' concrete radius	EA	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00

Miscellaneous

Receive an update on the Central Avenue Enhancement Project.

Trae Sutton, KPA Engineers, presented a status update on the project:

- Construction delays encountered due to the following issues during excavation:
 - 3 areas of failure discovered in existing storm sewer line which resulted in installation of additional 394' of storm sewer;
 - Significant above average rainfall occurred from January-March;
 - Unexpected concrete paving under existing asphalt; and
 - Poor and saturated subgrade.
- Project completion schedule:
 - Central from Penelope to Walker to be completed by July 1; and
 - Construction to begin on remaining portion of project on July 5.
- Relocation of overhead utilities:
 - Relocation of AT&T lines is complete; and
 - Working with Oncor Electric and property owners for relocation of overhead utilities:
 - Removal of overhead lines from Blair & Central to intersection of Penelope & Central to be completed by June 1;

- Seeking easements from property owners to provide service to businesses on the south side of Central Avenue; and
- Improvements to Central Avenue can be completed without the removal of electrical poles.
- Patriot Way Brick Walk/Plaza:
 - Bricks delivered by manufacturer by June 1 and installed after July 4; dedication to be held Veterans Day, November 11, 2010; and
 - Patriot Way Plaza is currently in development phase.

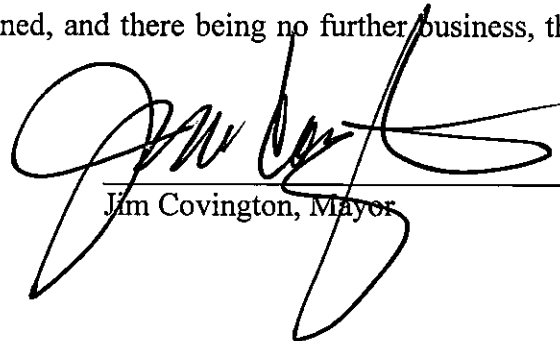
Receive a preliminary report on brush collection by the Public Works Department.

Assistant City Manager Cristy Daniell gave an overview of brush collection services since implementation by the City on March 30th. The service is operating smoothly and efficiently, and positive feedback has been received. April revenue billed amounts to \$12,804, and staff will continue to monitor fuel costs.

At 6:15 p.m. the Council relocated to the Kinchion Room, and the Mayor closed the meeting for the following item:


Executive Session pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Govt. Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071, to consult with City Attorney.

At 7:43 p.m. the meeting was reopened, and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Jim Covington, Mayor

ATTEST:



Connie Torres, City Clerk