

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALMER, TEXAS
Tuesday March 17, 2009, 6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
113 W. Jefferson St., Palmer, Texas 75152

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. Invocation and Pledge.
3. Determination of Quorum.
4. Citizen Forum (2 minutes) – to address only specific current agenda items.
5. Consent Agenda

All matters listed under item 5, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the Mayor/City Administrator to execute all matters necessary to implement each item. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and consideration by any member of the City Council.

- a. Balance Sheets
 - b. February 2009 Actuals
 - c. Minutes for February 17, 2009
 - d. Minutes for February 24, 2009
 - e. Municipal Court Monthly reports.
 - f. Palmer Police Department Monthly Reports.
 - g. Confirm the hiring of Mike Aston to the Palmer Police Department.
6. Discussion and possible action to approve the Mayor signing the application for Playful City USA status requiring the City of Palmer to make five commitments.
 7. Discussion and possible action regarding Jim Bradley's request for the City Administrator to provide information about city/city council actions to the Palmer Post in order to answer numerous requests by Palmer citizens.
 8. Discussion and possible action regarding depository agreement proposal from Commercial State Bank.
 9. Discussion and possible action to authorize City Administrator to use proposal from Commercial State Bank to set Certificate of Deposit Rates for City of Palmer use (tabled from February 17, 2009).
 10. Discussion and possible action regarding request from Avaceli Lozano for the placement of a street light at the dead end of Bluebonnet Lane (tabled on February 17, 2009).
 11. Discussion and possible action approving an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the City of Palmer and Emergency Services District #9.
 12. Discussion and possible action regarding subsidizing East Texas Medical Center as part of the Ellis County contract that provides ambulance service for the county.
 13. Discussion and possible action regarding appointing new members to the Building & Standards Commission (Ordinance 261) and the Board of Adjustments (Ordinance 342).

14. Discussion concerning preliminary approval by Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) of the City of Palmer's 2009/2010 Texas Community Development Program grant in the amount of \$345,160 for water rehabilitation in the Terry addition and repair of railroad crossing and extension down Lamar Street.
15. **Motion to move from Open City Council Session into Executive Session pursuant to:**
 - a. **Section 551.074: Personnel Matters:** to deliberate the employment and duties of John Zaidle, Chief of Police.
 - b. **Section 551,071: Consultations with Attorney:** about contemplated litigation due to letters from Michael W. Hartley.
16. **Motion to move from Executive Session back into Open City Council Session.**
17. Discussion and possible action regarding request from John Zaidle, Chief of Police concerning an agreement with the city that will allow the Chief of Police to function effectively, commit to long-term efforts, surpass expectations, and assume professional leadership role (no action taken February 17, 2009).
18. Discussion and possible action regarding complaint made to the Office of the Attorney General, Open Records Division by Michael W. Hartley representing Mr. Don Huskins and Ms. Laurie Huskins in the matter of "City of Palmer allegation of uncollected bills and past due fee and penalties on water service or water meters of Mr. Don Huskins and or Ms. Laurie Huskins."
19. Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign an unsigned ordinance that was adopted on February 6, 2006 abandoning certain alleyways at the request of the First Baptist Church. As a matter of law said ordinance, without objection, took effect on the 4th day following adoption.
20. ADJOURNMENT.

Alicia Baran, City Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

This is to certify that the undersigned posted the above agenda at 4:00 P.M., March 13th, 2009. Said place being readily accessible to the public at all times to remain continuously posted for at least 72 hours immediately preceding said meeting, all in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Alicia Baran, City Secretary