

STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF BURNET  
 CITY OF MARBLE FALLS

On this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016 the Council of the City of Marble Falls convened in regular session at 6:00 pm at the City Hall Council Chambers located at 800 Third Street, Marble Falls, Texas, with notice of meeting giving time, place, date, and subject having been posted as described in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

**PRESENT:**

John Packer	Mayor
Jane Marie Hurst	Mayor Pro-Tem
Rachel Austin-Cook	Councilmember
Reed Norman	Councilmember
Richard Westerman	Councilmember

**ABSENT:**

Richard Lewis	Councilmember
Ryan Nash	Councilmember

**STAFF:**

Mike Hodge	City Manager
Patty Akers	City Attorney
Christina McDonald	City Secretary
Mark Whitacre	Police Chief
Caleb Kraenzel	Director of Development Services
Robert Moss	Director of Parks and Recreation
Eric Belaj	City Engineer
Margie Cardenas	Finance Director
Glenn Hanson	CID Captain
Steve Eickstein	Patrol Lieutenant
Tom Dillard	CID Sergeant
Justin Boucher	Patrol Officer
Johnny Caraway	Fire Chief/Fire Marshal

**VISITORS:** Thomas Martin, Brian Shirley (CIP Vice Chair), Curtis Knetsch (3102 Morgan Circle), Darlene Oostermeyer (P&Z Commissioner), Mary Mayfield (Marble Falls Housing Authority), Jo Karr Tedder (Central Texas Water Coalition), Glynis Smith (The Highlander), Charles Watkins (Parks and Recreation Commission), Patti Zinsmeyer (Marble Falls/Lake LBJ Chamber and CVB), Mary Ann Raesener (Mayor, City of Meadowlakes), Tony Plumlee, Mr. Packer, Jon-Erik Johnson, PE (Texas Air Systems)

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT.** Mayor Packer called the meeting to order and announced the presence of a quorum.
2. **INVOCATION.** Brian Shirley gave the invocation.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE TEXAS FLAG.** Mayor Pro-Tem Hurst led the pledges.

4. **UPDATES, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- **Proclamation** – Mayor Packer proclaimed the week of February 21-27 National Engineers Week and recognized engineers present; Eric Belaj, Thomas Martin, Tony Plumlee, Mike Hodge and Jon-Erik Johnson.
- **Update from the Marble Falls Housing Authority.** Mark Mayfield, Executive Director of the Marble Falls Housing Authority gave an update.

5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS.** There were no citizen comments.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA.**

- (a) **Approval of the minutes of the February 2, 2016 regular meeting and workshop.**
- (b) **Approval of a Park Concession Agreement between the City of Marble Falls and Tamara Johnson for the purpose of Zumba classes at the Westside Park Community Hall.**
- (c) **Acceptance of the Annual Contact Report from the Marble Falls Police Department.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Hurst made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman. The consent agenda was approved by a unanimous vote (5-0).

7. **REGULAR AGENDA.**

- (a) **Public Hearing, Discussion, and Action on the first reading of Ordinance 2016-O-02C and waiving the second reading of Conditional Use Permit request to allow Single-Family Residential within the General Commercial Base District (C-3), with site plan approval, on Lot 9-A, Block No. 70, Marble Falls Original Township, City of Marble Falls, Burnet County, Texas, municipally addressed as 908 Avenue G.** Mayor Packer opened the public hearing. Caleb Kraenzel, Director of Development Services addressed Council. Property owner Curtis Knetsh was present. There being no further discussion, Mayor Packer closed the public hearing. Councilmember Norman made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-O-02C and waive the second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Westerman and carried by a vote of 5-0.
- (b) **Discussion and Action on approval of Interlocal Agreement regarding annual renewal of membership and participation in the Central Texas Water Coalition.** Mike Hodge, City Manager introduced CTWC representative Jo Karr Tedder. Ms. Tedder addressed Council. Councilmember Westerman made a motion to approve the annual agreement (January 1 – December 31, 2016) as presented with a membership fee of \$5,000 to be funded from the Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund. Councilmember Austin-Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote (5-0).

- (c) **Discussion and Action on appointments to the Ethics Review Commission.** City Manager Mike Hodge addressed Council. Mayor Packer stated that staff has had a difficult time appointing members to the Ethics Review Commission as the commission does not meet on a regular basis. Mayor Packer asked if ethics complaints can be filed with the State Ethics Commission. Patty Akers, City Attorney stated that the State Ethics Commission does not hear municipal complaints, however the Ethics Ordinance can be amended so that the commission is an ad hoc commission and only meets on an as needed basis. Council concurred that this is the direction they wish to pursue. It was noted that the ordinance amendment would be brought back to Council for approval at a later date.
- (d) **Discussion and Action on appointments to the Capital Improvement Plan Committee.** Christina McDonald, City Secretary stated that the terms of Sharon Pittard, Mary Ellen Goff, Tony Plumlee and Brian Shirley have expired. Ms. Goff, Mr. Plumlee and Mr. Shirley filed reappointed questionnaires for Council's consideration. Ms. Morris did not wish to be considered for reappointment. Mayor Pro-Tem Hurst made a motion to appoint Mary Ellen Goff, Brian Shirley and Tony Plumlee to the CIP Committee for a term of two years. Councilmember Westerman seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
- (e) **Discussion and Action on appointments to the Hotel Motel Tax Advisory Committee.** Christina McDonald, City Secretary stated that the terms of Brenda Morris and David Rhodes have expired. Mr. Rhodes has filed a reappointment questionnaire for Council's consideration. Ms. Morris does not wish to be considered for reappointment, however staff has an application on file from Darlene Oostermeyer for consideration. Mayor Pro-Tem Hurst made a motion to appoint David Rhodes and Darlene Oostermeyer to the HOT Committee to serve for a term of two years. Councilmember Westerman seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
- (f) **Discussion and Action on appointments to Places 2, 3, 4 and 6 of the Parks and Recreation Commission.** Christina McDonald, City Secretary stated the terms of Steve Manley (Place 2), Charles Watkins (Place 4) and Leta Stevenson-Smith (Place 6) have expired. In addition, Place 3 (Josh Parker) is vacant due to Mr. Parker's recent resignation. Mr. Watkins and Ms. Stevens—Smith submitted reappointment questionnaires for Council's considered. Mr. Manley does not wish to be considered for reappointment. Staff has two applications on file for Council's consideration: Steve Hurt and Ann Berg.

Councilmember Norman made a motion to appoint Charles Watkins and Leta Stevenson-Smith to Places 4 and 6 respectively, Steve Hurst to Place 2 for a term of two years and Ann Berg to Place 3, filling the unexpired term of Mr. Parker. Councilmember Westerman seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

- (g) **Discussion and Action on appointments to Places 2, 4 and 6 of the Planning and Zoning Commission.** Christina McDonald, City Secretary stated the terms of Darlene Oostermeyer (Place 2), Jason Coleman (Place 4) and Thomas Barr (Place 6) have expired. All commissioners have submitted reappointed questionnaires. Staff also has an application on file for Council's consideration from Thomas Martin.

Councilmember Westerman made a motion to reappoint Ms. Oostermeyer, Mr. Coleman and Mr. Barr to places 2, 4, and 6 respectively. Councilmember Austin-Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Mayor Packer thanked Mr. Martin for submitting his application. Mr. Martin stated he would be interested in serving on the CIP Committee. Mayor Packer stated there was a vacancy left by former member Sharon Pittard. Mayor Packer reopened agenda item 7(d). Councilmember Norman made a motion to appoint Thomas Martin to the CIP Committee for a term of two years. Mayor Pro-Tem Hurst seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote (5-0).

- (h) **Discussion regarding feeding wildlife in the city limits.** Chief of Police Mark Whitacre stated this item had been placed on the agenda at Council's request. Chief Whitacre introduced Lieutenant Steve Eckstein, Officer Justin Boucher and Sergeant Tom Dillard. Officer Boucher and Sergeant Dillard gave a presentation. No action was taken at this time.

- (i) **Discussion regarding Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drones).** Chief of Police Mark Whitacre stated this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of a Councilmember. Chief Whitacre introduced Captain Glenn Hanson who gave a brief presentation. No action was taken.

8. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.** City Manager Mike Hodge stated that the new Fire Chief, Russell Sander begins on March 8. Mr. Hodge also gave an update on the city email domain name change to marblefallstx.gov and asked Council to contact City Secretary Christina McDonald if they were experiencing any issues with their email.

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Council did not convene to executive session.

10. **RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION RESULTING FROM ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.** Items for the March 1 agenda were reviewed.

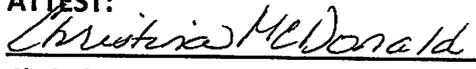
12. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Norman made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Austin-Cook seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.



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John Packer, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Christina McDonald, TRMC  
City Secretary