

# AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

# WORK SESSION MEETING TUESDAY AUGUST 21, 2012

The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2012, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the Council Meeting to go into Executive Session at 9:09 a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

A.1 Discuss legal issues relating to the City's purchase of the Friesenhahn Tract and impervious cover credits authorized under Ordinance Number 000406-013 associated with the purchase. The Tract is located southwest of the intersection of Capital of Texas Highway South (Loop 360) and MoPac (Loop One) in an area subject to the Save Our Springs Initiative (City Code Chapter 25-8, subchapter A, Article 12).

Executive Session ended and Mayor Leffingwell called the Council Meeting back to order at 10:08 a.m.

The Mayor introduced the agenda for the August 23, 2012 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.

**Purchasing Office** 

49. Authorize award and execution of a contract through the State of Texas Procurement and Support Services Cooperative Program administered by the State of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts with AMERICAN EUROCOPTER CORPORATION for the purchase of a helicopter for the Austin Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$2,625,276. (Notes: This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.)

## **COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

B.1 Discussion and possible action regarding details of the Citizen Forum.

Direction was given to staff to change the date previously selected for the Forum and to accommodate both citizen communications (where citizens sign up in advance and their topics are published on the agenda so Council can engage in a discussion) and those people who sign up on the kiosk and Council can not engage in a discussion.

### **Agenda Discussion Continued**

#### **Building Services**

3. Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Support Services Fund Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20110912-005) to increase the number of authorized positions by 28 within the Building Services Department to provide custodial services at several Austin Energy facilities.

#### Purchasing

39. Approve ratification of a 6-month requirements service contract with SENTRY SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIONS LP, (MBE/MH), to provide unarmed security guard and patrol services at seven locations within the Austin Water Utility for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$520,000.( Notes: This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This was an emergency service contract; therefore it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.)

## Transportation

52. Authorize the negotiation and execution of interlocal agreement with the Austin Independent School District (AISD) to contribute up to \$250,000.00 from fees collected by the City from Austin's cable providers for public, educational, and governmental access channels for AISD's purchase of approximately \$550,000.00 of equipment necessary for the operation of the AISD educational access channel.

#### Item(s) from Council

- 70. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to study the technology developed by FireWatch America to determine the feasibility and appropriateness of use by the City of Austin to assist in the detection and suppression of fires in the Wildland Urban Interface and identify possible opportunities for interlocal agreements and cooperation. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 1: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 2: Council Member Laura Morrison)
- 74. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to assist in planning an event in September to recognize Central Texas Olympic athletes and coaches. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 1: Council Member Chris Riley)

#### Office of Real Estate Services

- 20. Authorize the negotiation and execution of a month-to-month parking agreement renewal with funding authorization for up to 36 months, for up to 110 parking spaces for employees of the Faulk Central Library and the Austin History Center of the Austin Public Library Department, located at 316 W. 8th Street, with AMPCO SYSTEM PARKING, INC., Austin Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$396,000.
- 22. Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to sell an approximate 0.2699-acre parcel of land, located on Lot A, Rainey River Addition, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 68, Page 72, Plat Records, Travis County, Texas and locally known as 64

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Rainey Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas to 70 RAINEY STREET, LP for \$100,000 plus 30 privately managed, controlled access, public parking spaces, with all revenue generated from the spaces, less cost of maintenance and management of the spaces remitted to the City at least quarterly.

Council Member Riley indicated he will ask for this item to be postponed on Thursday so other alternatives can be explored.

Mayor Leffingwell adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 27th day of September, 2012 on Council Member Morrison's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.