



Austin City Council MINUTES

WORKSESSION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 1998

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order, noting the temporary absence of Councilmember Spelman.

BRIEFINGS

1. PRESENTATION BY AUSTIN INTERFAITH - Adult Job Training (Councilmember William Spelman)
Presentation given by Father John Korchmier, Mary Molina and Leda Hartiman.
2. WATER: TRANS TEXAS & SENATE BILL 1
Presentation given by Randy Goss and David Wheelock.
3. COMBINED COMMUNICATION CENTER
Presentation given by Danny Hobby, Chief Stan Knee, David Stone, Commander Ken Williams and Tom Lerma.
4. TRANSPORTATION ISSUES
Presentation given by Peter Reick

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

READING OF CONSENT AGENDA

READING OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

PREVIEW OF ITEMS FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

5. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from the City Manager for April 16, 1998.
6. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from Council for April 16, 1998.
7. Discuss and identify consent and discussion agenda items for the April 9, 1998 Council meeting agenda. (Agenda for April 9, 1998 is attached and incorporated by reference.)
Items pulled for discussion 12, 13, 17, 20, 24, 34, 44, 51 and 58.

Items on consent: 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 and 79.
8. Set Time Certain, if necessary, for agenda items on the April 9, 1998 Agenda.

Water and Wastewater

9. Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of an Amendment to the Wastewater Service Agreement with the City of Rollingwood to provide terms for wholesale wastewater service to Lot 1, Treemont Phase C owned by GJ Land, Ltd. Company. (The City will receive an increase in wholesale wastewater revenue from the City of Rollingwood of approximately \$214 monthly.) [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980408-9 approved
10. Approve a resolution authorizing selection of HARUTUNIAN ENGINEERING INC. (WBE/FR), Austin, Texas, for the Walnut Creek Wastewater Power Distribution Improvements Preliminary, Design and Construction Engineering Services for Project 1 (Incoming Switchgear Renovation), in an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000. (Funding was included in the 1991-92 amended Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) Best qualification statement of eight. 89% WBE Prime participation. 9% MBE, 0% WBE Subconsultant participation. [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980408-10 approved

Items 9 and 10 approved on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's second, 7-0 vote.
11. Approve a resolution authorizing Service Extension Request No. 1809 for water service submitted by Crosspointe Church for the Presbyterian Church of The Hills tract which is located outside the city limits of Austin. (No fiscal impact.) [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980409-11 approved on Councilmember Lewis' motion Councilmember Slusher's second, 7-0 vote.
12. Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with ESPEY, HUSTON & ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, Texas, for Phase II - Design Engineering Services for the Northwest A Pressure Zone Water System and Martin Hill

Area Water System Improvements Project (Howard Lane Pump Station and Transmission Mains), in an amount not to exceed \$1,460,000, for a total contract amount of \$1,670,000. (Funding was included in the 1995-96 amended Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) 9.4% MBE, 38.8% WBE Subconsultant participation. [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980498-12 approved on Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Spelman's second, 7-0 vote.

13. Approve a resolution authorizing execution of an eighteen month supply agreement with CYTEC INDUSTRIES, West Patterson, New Jersey, for the purchase of approximately 443,840 pounds of liquid emulsion cationic polymer used in sludge treatment process at the Hornsby Bend Sludge Treatment Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$421,648. (Funding in the amount of \$140,550 was included in the 1997-98 operating budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility. Funding for the remainder of the contract is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.) No M/WBE Subcontracting opportunities were identified. (Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission)
Resolution No. 980409-13 approved on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's second, 7-0 vote.

14. Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with CAMP DRESSER & MCKEE, INC., Austin, Texas, for preparation of the Operation and Maintenance Manual, Operations Training, Start-up Services and Record Drawings for the Albert H. Ullrich Water Treatment Plant Completion Improvements Project, in an amount not to exceed \$412,283, for a total amount not to exceed \$6,625,383. (Funding is available in the 1995-96 Amended Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) 4.85% MBE, 18.12% WBE Subconsultant participation. (Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission)
Resolution No. 980409-14 approved

15. Approve a resolution authorizing execution of Change Order #5 to the construction contract with MW BUILDERS, INC., Temple, Texas, for instrumentation and miscellaneous improvements at the Albert H. Ullrich Water Treatment Plant, in the amount of \$130,564, for a total contract amount of \$17,421,918.08. (Funding was included in the 1995-96 Amended Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) 1.32% MBE, 3.88% WBE Subcontractor participation. [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980409-15 approved

Items 14 and 15 approved on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Councilmember Goodman's second, 6-0 vote, Mayor Watson out of the room.

16. Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with MALONE/WHEELER, INC., Austin, Texas, for Phase I (preliminary engineering) and Phase II (design) services for the Mesa and Greystone Water Transmission Mains project, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000. (Funding was included in the 1997-98 Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) Best qualification statement of sixteen. 9% MBE, 24% WBE Subconsultant participation. (Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission)
Resolution No. 980409-16 approved

17. Approve a resolution authorizing execution of a construction contract with JAHN CONSTRUCTION, Austin, Texas, for completion of the Water and Wastewater Utility's Southeast Service Center Material Handling Facility located at 2400 Business Center Drive, in the amount of \$348,624. (Funding was included in the 1996-97 Amended Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility.) Low bid of eight. 22.57% MBE, 2.60% WBE Subcontractor participation. [Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Resolution No. 980409-17 approved

Convention Center

18. Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of a 3-year lease extension of the surface parking lot located at East 4th Street and Red River from Harry Whittington, Trustee, to provide parking for the Austin Convention Center, in the amount of \$364,000. (Funding in the amount of \$64,000 for the remainder of FY 1997-98 is available in the 1997-98 Operating Budget of the Convention Center Department; Funding in the amount of \$300,000 for the final 30 months of the lease period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.)
Resolution No. 980409-18 approved

Items 16 through 18 approved on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's second, 7-0 vote.

Transportation

Motion made to discuss and vote on items 19, 20 and 21 individually on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Councilmember Lewis' second, 6-0 vote, Councilmember Slusher out of the room.

19. Approve a resolution to proceed with a preliminary engineering study of proposals to enhance traffic flow at the intersections of Lamar Boulevard with 5th and 6th Streets.
Motion to seek a series of no more than five focus groups involving stakeholders list to be routed to Council in 7 to 10 days to make sure no stakeholders are left out. Staff to conduct focus groups in 45 days and come back to Council with recommendation on Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Slusher's second, 7-0 vote.
20. Approve a resolution to proceed with final design and bidding of Barton Springs Road from Lamar Boulevard to Robert E. Lee Road in accordance with the recommendations developed in the April 19, 1998 Charrette, with modifications suggested in a public meeting on December 3, 1997
Motion to allow 15 minutes on pro and con side to speak on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Councilmember Griffith's second, 7-0 vote.

Motion by Councilmember Griffith that within next three weeks that discussions take place between

the neighborhood and stakeholders facilitated by Public Works Department and we would state as Council at the end of three weeks our intent to make a decision on Councilmember Griffith's motion Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's second, 7-0 vote.

21. Approve a resolution to proceed with the design of either (a) pedestrian and bicycle facilities cantilevered from the existing Lamar Boulevard Bridge or (b) a separate pedestrian and bicycle bridge in the vicinity of the Lamar Boulevard Bridge.

Motion to approve the cantilever with two conditions of reviewing the engineering aspect and review of the Historical Commission on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Councilmember Griffith's second, 3-3 vote, Mayor Watson, Councilmember Goodman and Councilmember Slusher voting "NO", Mayor Pro Tem Garcia out of the room.

Motion to approve a separate bridge on Councilmember Slusher's motion, Councilmember Goodman's second, 4-0-2 vote, Councilmembers Griffith and Spelman "ABSTAINING", Mayor Pro Tem Garcia out of the room.

22. Set a public hearing on adoption of Part 2 of the Austin Bicycle Plan. (Suggested date and time: May 7, 1998 at 6:30 p.m.)

Approved on Councilmember Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's second, 7-0 vote.

4:30 P.M. - CITIZENS COMMUNICATION OPEN FORUM

EXECUTIVE SESSION (No Public Discussion on These Items)

The City Council will announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation and personnel matter specifically listed on this agenda. The City Council may also announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

ADJOURNED at 7:00 p.m. on Councilmember Slusher's motion, Councilmember Lewis' second, 6-0 vote, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia out of the room.

Minutes for March 26, 1998, April 8, 1998 and April 9, 1998 approved, on this the 16th day of April, 1998, minutes for March 25, 1998 postponed on Mayor Pro Tem Garcia's motion, Councilmember Griffith's second, 6-0 vote, Councilmember Lewis off the dais.