



Austin City Council MINUTES

WORKSESSION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 1997

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order, noting the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Garcia.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

1. SIDEWALK TASK FORCE - Ms. Katherine Shriver, Chair
Presentation given by Katherine Shriver

READING OF CONSENT AGENDA

READING OF DISCUSSION AGENDA

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION: CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

PREVIEW OF ITEMS FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

2. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from the City Manager for July 31, 1997.
3. Review of Proposed Agenda Items from Council for July 31, 1997.
4. Discuss and identify consent and discussion agenda items for the July 24, 1997 Council meeting agenda. (Agenda for July 24, 1997 is attached and incorporated by reference.)
Items pulled for discussion are: Items 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25.
5. Set Time Certain, if necessary, for agenda items on the July 24, 1997 Agenda.
Items set for time certain: Item 27 at 6:00 p.m.

ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6. Approve an ordinance authorizing issuance by Davenport Municipal Utility District No. 1 of its Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 1997, in an amount not to exceed \$3,665,000; approving a substantial draft of the District's Bond Resolution. (No fiscal impact. The City is not obligated for

payment on District bonds unless the District is annexed and dissolved.)
[Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission]
Ordinance No. 970723-A approved

Drainage Utility

7. Approve a resolution authorizing a construction contract award to RGM CONSTRUCTORS, L.P., Pflugerville, Texas, for the construction of the Creek Bend Flood Control Project, Phase 1A, in the amount of \$275,136.60, plus \$29,784.15 to be used as a contingency fund for change orders, for a total contract amount of \$304,920.75. (Funding in the amount of \$57,133.79 was included in the 1991-92 approved Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility; \$10,828.20 was included in the 1995-96 approved Capital budget of the Water and Wastewater Utility; \$236,958.76 was included in the 1995-96 Capital budget of the Drainage Utility.) Low bid of four. 0.27% MBE, 7.92% WBE Subcontractor participation. (Reviewed by Water and Wastewater Commission)
Approved

Items 6 and 7 approved on, Councilmember Spelman's motion, Councilmember Lewis' second, 6-0 vote, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia absent.

Electric

8. Amend Ordinance No. 960910-G, the 1996-97 Operating Budget by decreasing the Electric Utility ending balance by \$1,830,000 and increasing the appropriation to the Electric Utility Operating Budget by \$1,830,000 to provide accelerated management services by Metzler & Associates during FY 1996-97. (Related to Item 9)
Postponed to August 13, 1997
9. Approve an amendment to the contract with METZLER & ASSOCIATES, Deerfield, Illinois, to provide accelerated management services during FY 1996-97 for the Electric Utility Department, in an amount not to exceed \$1,830,000, and execution of the extension option in an amount not to exceed \$1,910,000, for a revised total amount not to exceed \$5,940,000. (Funding is available in the 1996-97 Operating Budget for the Electric Utility Department. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in the 1997-98 Operating Budget of the Electric Utility.) No M//WBE Subcontracting opportunities were identified. [Related to Item 8]
Postponed to August 13, 1997, with ratification of spending between now and the 13th of August without Council approval on, Councilmember Slusher's motion, Councilmember Spelman's second, 6-0 vote, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia absent.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

10. Presentation on alternatives for transportation management in the Barton Springs Road, Lamar Boulevard and 5th and 6th Street corridors - Lucy Buck, Downtown Austin Alliance and Karen Akins, co-organizer of the Lamar Blvd./Barton Springs Design Charrette. (Councilmembers Daryl Slusher, Jackie Goodman and Beverly Griffith)
Presentation given by Peter Reick, Karen Akins, Charles Whitford and Lucy Buck
11. Report from Traffic Calming Focus Group - Mark Ferrari, Chair, (Councilmember Jackie Goodman)
Presentation given by Peter Rieck, Mark Ferrari, Ralph Schmidt and Joan Hudson

BRIEFINGS

12. TRANSPORTATION
 - a. Traffic Calming Program
 - b. Signal Synchronization
 - c. Transportation System Management (Tsm) - North Loop At Burnet RdPresentation given by Peter Rieck
13. PROPOSED VARIABLE RATES FOR PAY AS YOU THROW

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION (No Public Discussion on These Items)

Executive session held at 1:42 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

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 Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding other item on this agenda.

ADJOURNED at 6:00 p.m.

Approved on this the 7th day of August 1997 the minutes of July 23, 1997, July 30, 1997 and July 31, 1997 on, Councilmember Lewis's motion, Councilmember Griffith's second, 7-0 vote.

Also approved on this the 7th day of August, 1997 the minutes for July 24, 1997 on, Councilmember Lewis' motion, Councilmember Spelman's second, 6-0 vote, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia off the dais.