

# CITY OF CUERO SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 15, 2014 5:30 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Councilmembers Tony Allen, John Fuqua, Roy Johnson and Brad Hedrick.

Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Bill Matthys and Councilmember Doyle Cruz.

Staff present: City Manager, Raymie Zella, Building Supervisor Robert Stoddard, Park Supervisor David Danish, Police Chief Jay Lewis, Main Street Director Bridgette Bise, Finance Director, Connie Hawes, City Secretary Jennifer Zufelt.

Cuero Development Corporation: Charles Papacek, Charles Tounley, Richard Weber, Shay Iacoponelli and Director Patrick Kennedy.

1. Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

#### 2. Resolutions

2.1. Discuss/Consider and possible action on Resolution No.2014-12 of the City Council of the City of Cuero, canvassing the election returns for Councilmember District 2, Councilmember District 3 and Mayor and declaring the results of an election.

Motion by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the canvass resolution of the 2014 May election returns verifying District 3 Brad Hedrick, District 2 Terry Glover and Mayor Sara Post Meyer.

2.2. Approval of Resolution 2014-13 of the City Council of the City of Cuero, Texas, Canvassing the Election Returns and declaring the results of a Special City Charter Amendment Election.

Motion made by Councilmember Hedrick, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua approving the resolution canvassing the May 2014 election returns of the Special City Charter Amendment Election.

2.3. Discuss/Consider and possible action to approve the bid for the sidewalk at the Cuero Cemetery.

Motion made by Councilmember Hedrick, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the bid to Watson Ag Services to install approximately 10,716 sq. feet of concrete sidewalk along the Hillside Cemetery at the intersections of Valley and Sarah Streets. The motion was approved unanimously.

## 3. Presentation and Recognitions

# 3.1. Presentation from Kim Williams regarding the renovation of the Coca Cola Building and Federal Building.

Kim Williams talked about the possibility of a Public Private Partnership to finance the renovation of the Coca Cola Building. He also showed drawings of the possibilities for the building to house the CDC offices plus have plenty of meeting room space. Councilmember Hedrick asked if there were companies or individuals that could guide us through the process to on get the tax credits and forming a public, private partnership. Mr. Williams stated that is a possibility and that a design professional should be on board also.

With no further questions from Council or CDC, Charles Tounley made a motion to adjourn with Will Carbonara seconding. The Cuero Development Corporation adjourned and left the meeting at 6:37 P.M.

Kim Williams then presented ideas for the renovation of the inside of the Federal Building, stating that fund raising and some tax credits could be used to fund the work. Mayor Meyer thanked Mr. Williams for his work on these two renovation proposals.

### 4. Ordinances - Emergency Reading

# 4.1. Discuss/consider and possible action on Ordinance 2014-23 to increase the Cuero Volunteer Fire Department pension amount.

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the ordinance increasing the amount paid monthly for retirement of Cuero Volunteer Firefighter Pension plan from \$36.00 per person to \$50.00 per person and then every two years be increased an additional \$3.00 per person. The motion was approved unanimously.

# 4.2. Discuss/Consider and possible action on Ordinance 2014-21, amendment to Title XI, Chapter 112 Peddlers, Solicitors and Itinerant Vendors, Section 112.05 FEES.

Councilmember Hedrick asked if it cost \$50 to do a background check and if that needed to be done for all employees working. Building Supervisor stated that it should be done on anyone working. Councilmember Hedrick asked if the ordinance should be broken out into two separate ones such as one for food vendors and one for door to door sales people.

Motion by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to approve the amendment to the Title XI, Chapter 112 Peddlers, Solicitors and Itinerant Vendors, Section 112.05 FEES.

### 5. First Reading of an Ordinance

5.1. Discuss/Consider and possible action on an ordinance agreeing to close part of Henry Street between Sarah and Prairie Streets.

Motion made by Councilmember Hedrick, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the ordinance allowing that Henry Street can be closed only when construction of the new school is started and that Hunt Street will remain open. The motion was approved unanimously.

### 6. Second Reading of an Ordinance

6.1.Discuss/Consider and possible action on the second reading of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cuero, approving a lease agreement with the Boys and Girls Club of DeWitt County, Inc. and authorizing the execution of said lease agreement by the Mayor of the City of Cuero.

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Hedrick to approve the lease agreement and authorizing the execution of said lease by the Mayor on the second reading. The motion was approved unanimously

#### 7. Council Consideration and Action Items

7.1. Discuss/Consider and possible action on the recommendation from the Library Committee for the hiring of an architecture company for city library.

Motion by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua, to authorize the City Manager to contact, negotiate and hire Michael Legg Architect Firm and if not comfortable with the negotiations then to go to the second choice on the list and so on down the list. The motion was approved unanimously.

**8. Adjourn:** Mayor Meyer adjourned the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

	PASSED AND APPROV	ED THIS 27 <sup>1H</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2014
ATTEST:		Sara Post Meyer, Mayor
Jennifer Zufelt	t, City Secretary	

### NOTICE AND POSSIBLE QUORUM OF CUERO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF CUERO COUNCIL. THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014 5:30 P.M.

The Cucro Development Corporation (CDC) will be attending a City Council Meeting and may have a quorum present on May 15, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

I. Presentation from Kim Williams regarding the renovation of the Coca Cola Building and Federal Building.

IV. ADJOURN

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The Cuero Development Corporation reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act.

### CERTIFIED AS POSTED AT:

Cuero Development Corporation, 214 E. Main Street; City Hall, 212 E. Main Street; and on the CDC website, Friday, May 9, 2014.

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