



**MINUTES
OF THE
MEETING OF THE
BENBROOK CITY COUNCIL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2007**

The regular meeting of the Benbrook City Council was held on Thursday, November 1, 2007 at 7:30 p. m. in the Council Chambers at 911 Winscott Road with the following Council members present:

Jerry Dittrich
Rickie Allison
Keith Bailey
Ron Sauma
James Schull
Dan Tully
Larry Stowe

Also Present:

Andy Wayman, City Manager
Joanna King, City Secretary
Sherri Newhouse, Budget Director
Cathy Morris, Administrative Analyst

Others Present:

Dorcas Neuman, Benbrook News
Ed Gallagher, Planner
Walter Shumac, Community Service Director
Gary Addison
Bill Smith
Liz Campbell
And 3 other citizens

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p. m. by Mayor Dittrich.

**II. INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation given by Elder Valeria Session with Tabernacle of Praise
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held October 18, 2007

Motion by Mr. Stowe, seconded by Mr. Sauma to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 18, 2007 as presented.

Vote on the Motion:

Ayes: Mr. Schull, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Allison, Mayor Dittrich, Mr. Tully, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Sauma

Noes: None

Motion carries unanimously.

IV. CITIZEN PRESENTATION

1. Gary Addison – Request Ordinance requiring businesses to provide paper towel dispensers in restrooms

Mr. Addison requested City Council consider an ordinance requiring businesses with public restrooms to provide paper towel dispensers. Mr. Addison stated it is his practice that after washing his hands to use the same paper towel to open the door before discarding the paper towel. This way he is assured that he is not in contact with germs that may have been left from the person using the facilities before him. Mr. Addison stated that there are some businesses that only offer air dryers in their restrooms thereby not allowing him or others to use his scenario.

Mayor Dittrich thanked Mr. Addison for his presentation and stated staff would investigate the matter.

V. PRESENTATION BY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

VI. REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER

A. GENERAL

G-1745 Resolution Supporting Proposition 12 – Constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects

Cathy Morris gave the following report: The Regional Transportation Council has recommended that City Council adopt Resolution 2007-14 supporting Senate Joint Resolution 64.

SJR 64 calls for a constitutional amendment that will allow the Texas Department of Transportation to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds to fund highway projects. This measure is on the November 6, 2007 ballot as Proposition 12. The increased funding will allow the State to expedite needed transportation improvements.

The Regional Transportation Council voted unanimously to support Proposition 12 and encourages City Councils and Commissioners Courts to pass a resolution of support.

Motion by Mr. Stowe, seconded by Mr. Schull to adopt Resolution 2007-14 supporting Statewide Proposition 12 to provide funding for highway improvement projects.

Vote on the Motion:

Ayes: Mr. Scull, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Allison, Mayor Dittrich, Mr. Tully, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Sauma

Noes: None

Motion carries unanimously.

Resolution No. 2007-14 being **“RESOLUTION ENDORSING PROPOSITION 12 ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2007 BALLOT.”**

G-1746 Approve Administrative Regulation F-1 – Policy for Requesting Bids

Sherri Newhouse gave the following report: In March 1983, City Council adopted Administrative Regulation F-1 to establish procedures for requesting, receiving and awarding bids for purchase of supplies, materials, equipment and services in accordance with State law.

The regulation was revised in February 1994, October 2000, and December 2003 to update procedures to mirror State law.

Senate Bill 1765 and House Bill 3506 increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the expenditure amount that triggers competitive bid process effective September 1, 2007.

Staff is recommending that City Council approve the proposed revisions to AR F-1 with the same cap as provided by State law.

Motion by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Sauma to approve the revisions to Administrative Regulation F-1, Policy for Requesting Bids with an effective date of November 1, 2007.

Vote on the Motion:

Ayes: Mr. Schull, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Allison, Mayor Dittrich, Mr. Tully, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Sauma

Noes: None

Motion carries unanimously.

VII. OTHER MATTERS OF BUSINESS

VIII. INFORMAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 P.M.

APPROVED:

Jerry B. Dittrich, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joanna King, City Secretary