

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 3, 2015

7:00 P.M.

A Regular City Council Meeting was held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 201 East Nash Street, Terrell, Texas with the following members present:

**COUNCILMEMBER #1 HAL RICHARDS
COUNCILMEMBER #2 TOMMY SPENCER ABSENT (EXCUSED)
COUNCILMEMBER #3 SANDRA WILSON
COUNCILMEMBER #4 CHARLES WHITAKER
COUNCILMEMBER #5 D.J. ORY**

1. Call to order.

Mayor Hal Richards called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation.

Mayor Pro Tem D.J. Ory, gave the opening prayer.

3. Discuss and Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of January 20, 2015.

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Charles Whitaker made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of January 20, 2015. Councilmember Sandra Wilson seconded the motion. Ayes - All. Nays - None. Motion carried.

4. Hear Remarks from Visitors.

This time is set aside on the agenda to invite any person to address the Council on issues not subject to a public hearing. Routine administrative matters are best discussed with the appropriate City Staff before bringing them to the Council. Speakers should limit their comments to 3 minutes and are asked to speak into the microphone provided, identifying themselves for the record. The total amount of time set aside for this place on the agenda is 15 minutes. Comments of a personal nature directed at the Council or Staff are inappropriate.

Danny Booth, Representing Terrell Economic Development Corporation, thanked the Council for City Support at the 109th Annual Membership Meeting and Industry Recognition Luncheon. The City is a Veteran Friendly Community. Our Industries and Business give priority to hiring veterans. The first initiative is talk with Human Resources Groups and talk about how to implement the initiative. The goal is to recruit Veterans. Mr. Booth introduced Angie Cooper who is attending the Council Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Discuss and Consider Change Order for Signal Lights on the FM148 (South) Project.

Mike Sims, Assistant City Manager, and Scott Young, Representative for Raba Kistner presented to Council for discussion and consideration Change Order for Signal Lights on the FM148 (South) Project. Mayor Pro Tem D.J. Ory made a motion to authorize the City Manager to Executive the Agreement not to exceed the estimated cost of \$1,090,888.44. Councilmember Sandra Wilson seconded the motion. Ayes - All. Nayses - None.

6. Discuss and Consider Agreement for Professional Services for STEP Grant.

Mike Sims, Assistant City Manager, and Brian Colthorp, Representing Freese and Nichols, Presented to Council for Discussion and Consideration Agreement for Professional Services for STEP Grant. Mayor Pro Tem D.J. Ory made a motion to authorize the City Manager to Executive the Agreement not to exceed the estimated cost of \$116,100.00. Councilmember Charles Whitaker seconded the motion. Ayes - All. Nayses - None.

7. Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 781; A Resolution of The City of Terrell, Texas, Calling the Regular Municipal Election for the City of Terrell, Texas for the Election of City Council District 2 and City Council District 4 to be held on May 9, 2015.

John Rounsavall, City Secretary, presented to Council for discussion and consideration Resolution No.781, A Resolution of The City of Terrell, Texas, Calling the Regular Municipal Election for the City of Terrell, Texas for the Election of City Council District 2 and City Council District 4 to be held on May 9, 2015. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem D.J. Ory, made a motion to approve Resolution No. 781; A Resolution of The City of Terrell, Texas, Calling the Regular Municipal Election for the City of Terrell, Texas for the Election of City Council District 2 and City Council District 4 to be held on May 9, 2015. Councilmember Sandra Wilson, seconded the motion. Ayes - All. Nayses - None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 781

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TERRELL,
TEXAS, CALLING THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL
ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS
FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER
FROM DISTRICT NO. 2 AND DISTRICT NO. 4 TO
BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2015.**

WHEREAS, the terms of office of Councilmember No. Two and Councilmember No. Four will expire May of 2015, and;

WHEREAS, the second Saturday in May is the date set for the regular election of Councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, authority is vested in the Mayor of the City of Terrell to call said regular election and to appoint election officials to conduct said election;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS that:

An election to be held on the 9th day of May, 2015 for the purpose of:

Electing Councilmembers from District No. Two and District No. Three.

- A. Councilmember No. Two** so elected shall be a resident of District No. Two and shall be elected by the vote of qualified voters of the City of Terrell, Texas residing in District No. Two and shall serve a term of three years.
- B. Councilmember No. Four** so elected shall be a resident of District No. Four and shall be elected by the vote of the qualified voters of the City of Terrell, Texas residing in District No. Four and shall serve a term of three years.

II.

Electronic ballots shall be used for said election which ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote “for” the candidate of the following offices which shall be set forth in substantially the following form:

In District No. 2
 Councilmember.....(Name of Candidates)

In District No. 4
 Councilmember.....(Name of Candidates)

There shall be one (1) election location for the conduct of this election, and the following location is designated as the polling place for the respective precincts:

District No. 2 and District 4 City Council Chamber
 Terrell City Hall
 201 East Nash Street
 Terrell, Texas 75160

On Election Day, the polls shall open at 7:00 A.M. and shall close at 7:00 P.M.

That the following persons are hereby appointed officers of the election:

Ann Winton	Presiding Judge
Ruth Matejka	Alternate Presiding Judge

A copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the presiding judges by the City Secretary not later than 20 days from this date, together with a current description of the election precincts as approved by the Terrell City Council.

The presiding judge shall determine the number of additional clerks needed to serve and assist in the holding of said election. Each official shall be compensated at the rate of \$10.00 per hour. The presiding judge shall receive addition compensation in the amount of \$25.00 for delivering the returns to the Central Counting Station. The presiding judge shall attempt to appoint at least one official fluent in both the English and Spanish language.

All qualified electors residing in Districts 2 and 4 of the City of Terrell shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

Early voting shall be conducted in the City Council chamber at Terrell City Hall located at 201 East Nash Street, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 310, Terrell, Texas 75160. The City Secretary is appointed as Early Voting Clerk, to serve without additional compensation. Applications for early voting by mail shall be taken between March 10, 2015 and May 1, 2015.

Early voting by personal appearance shall commence on April, 27, 2015 and conclude on May 5, 2015.

Terrell City Hall located at 201 East Nash Street, Terrell, Texas, is hereby designated as the Central Counting Station.

Ruth Matejka is appointed **Presiding Judge** of the **Central Counting Station**.

Helen Dixon is appointed **Early Voting Ballot Board Judge**.

The Early Voting Ballot Board Judge will deliver the early voted ballots to the Central Counting Station Judge at 5:00 P.M. Tabulating of voted ballots will start at 7:00 P.M.

Persons wishing to file as candidate for City Councilmembers from Districts 2 and 4 shall file a sworn application for a place on the ballot with the City Secretary beginning January 28, 2015 and no later than 5:00 P.M. on February 27, 2015 and must meet the requirements to serve as a Councilmember, as set forth in the City of Terrell Charter and Code of Ordinances.

A substantive copy of this ordinance shall serve as proper notice of the calling of said election. Said notice, including a Spanish translation hereof, shall be posted in a public place in each election precinct of the City and on the bulletin board used for the posting of meetings of the City Council of the City of Terrell at least 21 days prior to the date of the election by the City Secretary or his designee, who shall make a record at the time of posting stating the date and place of posting to be preserved for the period of preserving precinct election records.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 3rd day of February, 2015.

8. Adjourn into Executive Session in Accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code to discuss the following:

b.) Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters - City Manager.

Mayor Pro Tem D.J. Ory made a motion to increase the City Manager's Base Salary by nine percent (9%). Councilmember Sandra Wilson seconded the motion. Ayes - All. Nays - None. Motion carried.

9. Reconvene into Regular Session and Consider Action, if any, on Items Discussed in Executive Session.

No action was taken out of Executive Session.

10. Adjourn.

There were no other matters discussed or acted on at this meeting. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Hal Richards, Mayor

Attest:

John Rounsavall, City Secretary