

State of Texas
County of Hidalgo
City of Donna

Special Council Meeting
Monday 5:30 pm
November 17, 2008

On this the 17th day of November 2008 the Donna City Council convened in special session at City Hall located at 307 S. 12th Street with the following:

Present:	David S. Simmons Francisco Garza, Jr. Simon Saucedo	Mayor Mayor Pro-Tem Councilman
	Bruce Kalter Eddy Treviño Martha Alvarado	Interim City Manager City Attorney City Secretary
Absent:	Guadalupe Castillo III Eloy Avila, Jr.	Councilman Councilman

Also present were: Leo Villarreal, Planning Director; Dan Downs, Finance Director; Oscar Cuellar, Incoming City Manager and Deborah Fischer, Acct. Consultant.

City Secretary called roll and the aforementioned members of the City Council being present constituted a quorum at which time Mayor Simmons called the meeting to order.

Consideration and possible action to on Resolution 2008-11-01 authorizing proper city officials for bank signatures for the City of Donna.

RESOLUTION 2008-11-01

A RESOLUTION NAMING AND AUTHORIZING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO SIGN AND EXECUTE ALL DRAFTS AND OFFICIAL PAPERS FOR THE CITY OF DONNA, TEXAS.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Donna, Texas that as of November 17, 2008, First National Bank should hereby recognize any of the following signature(s):

DANIEL J. DOWNS	FINANCE DIRECTOR
NORMA L. YANEZ	TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR

which shall be countersigned by:

OSCAR CUELLAR, JR	CITY MANAGER
DAVID S. SIMMONS	MAYOR

as the official signature, until further notice, to execute all checks, vouchers, or warrants on all of the City of Donna's accounts, wherever situated.

It is further resolved that any and all resolutions previously approved which pertain to authorized bank signatures are hereby repealed.

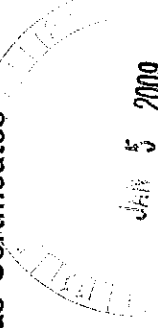
Passed, Approved and adopted on this the 17th day of November 2008.

/s/ David S. Simmons
Mayor

Attest:
/s/ Martha Alvarado
City Secretary

Bruce Kalter informed Council that with the new city manager coming on board on Nov. 29, 2008, this resolution would establish the proper city officials for all bank transactions. With no further comments, Councilman Saucedo motioned and Mayor Pro-Tem Garza seconded to approve Resolution 2008-11-01 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to on Resolution 2008-11-02 authorizing proper city officials for bank signatures for the City of Donna, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series 2007.



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Section 2: Vests with Mayor of the City of Donna with the responsibility, authority, and the means to inform all parties of the action, develop an addendum as necessary, assure that the plan will be reviewed at least annually and that any needed adjustments will be developed and presented to the City Council as necessary; and agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Section 3: The City of Donna will pursue available funding opportunities for implementation of the proposals designated therein, and will, upon receipt of such funding or other necessary resources, seek to implement the action contained in the mitigation strategies.

Section 4: The City of Donna will continue to participate in the multi-jurisdictional HazMAP planning process, including reporting of progress as required by FEMA and the Governor's Division of Emergency Management.

Section 5: This resolution is in effect immediately.

ATTEST:
/s/ Martha Alvarado
City Secretary

APPROVED:
/s/ David S. Simmons
Mayor

Bruce Kalter informed Council that FEMA was requiring cities wishing to request funding for natural disasters to adopt a Hazard Mitigation Action Plan in order to be eligible for funding. Council would be adopting this plan with the approval of this resolution. Currently, the city is applying for funding for property damages at the water plant caused by Hurricane Dolly. Mayor Simmons thanked Deborah Fischer for all the work with this application. With no further comments, Mayor Pro-Tem Garza motioned and Councilman Saucedo seconded to approve Resolution 2008-11-04 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration and possible action on request by the Hidalgo County Historical Commission for the installation of a Historical Marker at the Donna City Park.

Bruce Kalter stated the Historical Commission has submitted a request to install a historical marker at the Donna Square as an extension of the Chisolm Trail. With no further comments, Councilman Saucedo motioned and Mayor Pro-Tem Garza seconded to authorize the Hidalgo County Historical Commission to install the historical marker at the Donna City Park as requested. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to rescind action taken on Oct. 7, 2008 regarding the Sewer Line Improvement Project (Urban County Program) and authorize to re-bid project.

Bruce Kalter informed Council this project was awarded at the regular meeting of October 7, 2008. Unfortunately, the contractor, Centerline Construction, was not able to meet the payment bond required for the project. Staff was requesting that Council authorize to re-bid the project. With no further comments, Mayor Pro-Tem Garza motioned and Councilman Saucedo seconded to rebid the project as recommended by staff. The motion carried unanimously.


Consideration and possible action on appointment and/or reappointment of Economic Development Corporation, Inc. (4A) members.

Bruce Kalter informed Council there had been a discrepancy on the appointment of the member to Place 2 of the 4A Corporation. The By-Laws clearly state that Place 1 and Place 2 are to be held by members of the City Council. After some discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Garza motioned and Councilman Saucedo seconded to table this item for further review. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to declare city equipment as surplus and authorize staff to dispose surplus equipment.


Bruce Kalter informed Council there were several old computers and staff was requesting they be declared surplus in order to dispose of them. With no further comments, Councilman Saucedo motioned and Mayor Pro-Tem Garza seconded to declare the computers surplus and authorize staff to dispose of them. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Mayor Simmons adjourned the meeting.



David S. Simmons
Mayor

Attest:



Martha Alvarado
City Secretary

APPROVED: 12/02/08