



JOHN C. SARDELICH – Mayor
 JOHNNY TRAN – Mayor Pro-Tem – Councilmember Place 1
 JUDY CHAVEZ – Councilmember Place 2
 MARY CROCKER – Councilmember Place 3
 GLEN SMITH – Councilmember Place 4
 ANDY ERDELT – Councilmember Place 5
 TROY LEWIS – Councilmember Place 6

**CITY OF PALACIOS
 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
 October 13, 2015**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Sardelich called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
 Councilmembers present: Mayor Sardelich, Mary Crocker, Glen Smith, Andy Erdelt and Johnny Tran, Judy Chavez
 Councilmembers absent: Troy Lewis
 City Staff present: City Manager David Kocurek, Chief David Miles

INVOCATION – Mayor Sardelich
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Tran
PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG – Councilmember Tran
PLEDGE TO PALACIOS FLAG – Councilmember Tran

VISITOR / CITIZEN FORUM
 No Citizens wished to address City Council

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing regarding the purchase of real property located at 500 Commerce St, Lots 1, 2, and 3 of Block 54, Palacios Original Townsite consisting of .22 acres. The Palacios Economic Development Corporation (PEDC) is seeking City Council approval to purchase said property. The PEDC has a written offer in the amount of \$30,000 from the EDC fund balance.
 Mayor Sardelich opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.
 Debbie Morris, of the PEDC, stated that this potential purchase is one of the finest examples of entities of Palacios working together to further the right type of development for the City and leveraging the PEDC assets to bring about changes not only for the benefit of the Friends of Elder Citizens but also for the downtown and waterfront development. Councilmember Smith asked about a meeting about a year ago between the Trull Foundation and some other entities about some plans involving revitalizing the Downtown District.
 Jan Pierce, of the PEDC, addressed the question regarding Partnership Palacios Committee which is entities working together to give the Senior Center and the Thrift Store a larger location along with opening the waterfront for development.
 Mayor Sardelich closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.
2. Public Hearing regarding the expenditure of up to \$50,000 for water and sewer infrastructure on South Bay Blvd. between 6th and 8th Streets. The PEDC voted to approve the expenditure from the fund balance at a Special Meeting held on September 2, 2015. This project further supports the PEDC mission to promote growth and increased tax base in the City of Palacios.
 Mayor Sardelich opened the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.
 David Kocurek, City Manager, explained that the infrastructure improvements would further economic development. The sewer improvements would benefit the Pavilion, South Bay Marina and the property in front of it, Cobblestone Hotel, and the house on the corner of 8th and S. Bay. The service line to that house goes across the Senior Center parking lot. The improvement will benefit the entire waterfront development.
 Mayor Sardelich closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Upcoming Events – The City Manager announced the following:
 - a. Town Hall Meeting with Congressman Blake Farenthold – October 15th 1:30pm at the Palacios Navigation District
 - b. Harvest Moon – October 24th

- c. Pedal Palacios Sanctioned MS 150 Bike Ride – October 31st
- d. Monstrous 5K Run Bash – October 31st 5-9pm
- e. Miss Palacios Pageant – November 7th

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Discuss and consider accepting the 2nd and 3rd quarterly reports from the Planning Commission
Councilmember Chavez moved to accept the reports from the Planning Commission.
Councilmember Tran seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
2. Discuss and consider approving the final plat of the Zamarippa Subdivision.
Mayor Sardelich moved to approve the final plat of the Zamarippa Subdivision.
Councilmember Crocker seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
3. Discuss and consider awarding the contract to Charnock and Company in the amount of \$2,392,500 as the lowest responsible bidder of record and authorizing the City Manager to work with GrantWorks in preparing the necessary paperwork for executing the Construction Agreement with respect to local and C.I.A.P. Grant Requirements.
Councilmember Crocker moved to award the contract to Charnock and Company.
Councilmember Smith seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
4. Discuss and consider directing the City Manager to continue negotiating with the Architect and the Contractor in the preparation of Change Order #1 in the deduct amount of \$330,587 as outlined in the Architect's Agenda for the 10/1/2015 Meeting at the Navigation District Office.
Councilmember Crocker moved to approve the Item #4 for the deduct amount of \$330,587
Councilmember Smith seconded.
Discussion: After further discussion and review of the Architect's Agenda on 10/12/15 for a total deduct in the amount of \$350,389.
Councilmember Chavez moved to amend the motion to the deduct amount of \$350,389.
Councilmember Tran seconded
Opposition: None
With no opposition, the motion carried.
5. Discuss and consider appointing a Council Member to be the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Official Representative for the 2016 General Assembly.
Councilmember Erdelt moved to appoint Councilmember Chavez as the HGAC Official Representative.
Councilmember Crocker seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
6. Discuss and consider appointing a Council Member to be the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Alternate Representative for the 2016 General Assembly.
Councilmember Crocker moved to appoint Councilmember Smith as the HGAC Alternate Representative.
Councilmember Tran seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
7. Discuss and consider action to approve Resolution 2015-R-19 authorizing the creation of the Gulf Coast Regional 911 Emergency Communications District.
Councilmember Crocker moved to approve Resolution 2015-R-19.
Councilmember Chavez seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.
8. Discuss and consider action to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - a) Minutes of the September 22, 2015 Regular Council Meeting
 - b) Travel Expenses for Mayor Sardelich
 - c) Excuse the absence Councilmember Chavez from the September 22, 2015 meeting.
 - d) Excuse the absence Councilmember Tran from the September 22, 2015 meeting.
 Councilmember Erdelt moved approve the consent agenda.
Councilmember Crocker seconded.
Opposition: None.
With no opposition, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilmember Chavez moved to go into Executive Session at 7:42 p.m.
Councilmember Crocker seconded.

Opposition: None

With no opposition, the motion carried.

In accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, (Open Meetings Law) the Council
May go into Executive (closed) session in order to:

Consult with its attorney (551.071)

Discuss Real Estate transaction (551.072)

Deliberation regarding prospective gifts or donation (551.073)

Discuss personnel matters (551.074)

I. Discuss the City Manager's Annual Evaluation.

Deliberation regarding security devices (551.076)

Discuss economic development negotiations (551.087)

Council re-convened in Open Session at 8:05 p.m.

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action was taken on executive session

ADJOURN

Councilmember Erdelt moved to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Councilmember Crocker seconded.

Opposition: None.

With no opposition, the motion carried.



John C. Sardelich, Mayor



David Kocurek, City Manager

