

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF CENTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
May 21, 2012**

The Center City Council met in a regular session on Monday, May 21, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Room of City Hall. The meeting was open to the public. Notices were properly posted of the date, place and hour and the news media was notified. The following members were present:

David Chadwick	-	Mayor
Jim Forbes	-	Council Member
Charlie Byndom	-	Council Member
Charles Rushing	-	Council Member
Joyce Johnson	-	Council Member
Leigh Porterfield	-	Council Member
Howell Howard	-	Council Member
Chad Nehring	-	City Manager
Barbara Boyd	-	City Secretary
Jim Payne	-	City Attorney

Guests signed the register.

Item I. Mayor, David Chadwick opened the meeting and welcomed the visitors and media.

Item II. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 14, 2012. Council Member Jim Forbes made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 14, 2012. Council Member Joyce Johnson seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item III. Canvassing Election Returns and Declaring Official Results of the City of Center, Texas May 12, 2012 Special Election to Elect Council Member District 3.

City Secretary, Barbara Boyd gave the total amount of votes for early voting and election day with the results being Howell Howard receiving 39 votes and Bob Atchison 1 vote. Council Member Charles Rushing made a motion to accept the canvass totals. Council Member Leigh Porterfield seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Public Hearing:

Public Hearing on Annexation. There were no comments.

Item IV. Consider Discussion and Possible Action on the following:

- A. First Reading of Ordinance 2012-7 Adopting a Final Plan for the Reapportionment of the City's Four Single Member Districts. City Manager, Chad Nehring stated the City's charter and state law only require one reading at time of approval of most ordinances. Mr. Nehring stated based upon past court rulings and the nature of reapportionment of election districts, it is typically recommended that the law establishing the change is publicly read/approved as a final version that is to be presented for second reading and final adoption at a future meeting.
- B. Approve Resolution 2012-12 Adopting Section 3 Policy. City Manager, Chad Nehring stated as with many grants and federal programs, there are new rules and policies that mandate additional local practices and procedures to remain eligible to receive funding and to utilize during the administration of some federal fund awards. Mr. Nehring stated there are new notice requirements related to any funds originated from the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Mr. Nehring stated this new mandate requires the City ensure contractors on certain HUD funded projects notify eligible HUD Contract housing recipients of employment opportunities. Council Member Joyce Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-12. Council Member Howell Howard seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- C. Approve Contract Services to Assist with ISO Re-Rating Process. City Manager, Chad Nehring stated Mr. Peitsch previously assisted the City with its rating review five years ago resulting in a significant improvement in the City's grading which resulted in a lowering of the insurance rating factor for all property coverage within the City from a 6 to a 4. Mr. Nehring stated with recent capability improvements and purchase of additional apparatus, we are confident of a lowering to a rating of 3 and optimistic that with the assistance of Mr. Peitsch's

services there is a probability of obtaining an ISO rating of 2. Mr. Nehring stated the cost of the contract is \$3,600. Council Member Charles Rushing made a motion to approve the Contract for Services to Assist with ISO Re-Rating Process. Council Member Jim Forbes seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Item V. Items of Interest from Council and City Manager, and Citizens – No Action Items.

1. Energy Expo - Civic Center – May 22-23-, 2012. Pam Phelps with the Shelby County Chamber addressed the Council regarding the events at the Energy Expo.
2. Mary Roland. Mary Roland, a resident of Travis Street addressed the Council regarding neighbors behind her house. Quincy Sullivan also addressed the Council on the same issue as well as the swamp area around his residence at 401 Travis Street.

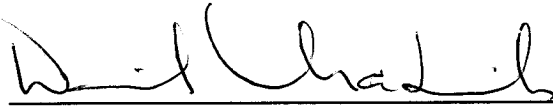
Item VI. Executive Session.

A. Personnel.

Consider entering executive session for legal consultation with the City Attorney and discussion of pending litigation, personnel matters and land acquisition with possible action related thereto upon reconvening in open session in accordance with Local Government Code Section 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074

Item VII. Adjournment

Mayor David Chadwick adjourned the meeting.



David Chadwick, Mayor

Attest:


Barbara Boyd, City Secretary

