

THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON HELD APRIL 27, 2011-4:00 P.M.

1. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jaworski, CM Puccetti, CM Beeton, CM Greenberg, CM Legg
Chris Gonzales and MPT Colbert

Staff: City Secretary Godinich, Asst. City Secretary De La Fuente, City
Manager LeBlanc, Finance Director Miller.

3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT

None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Lyda Ann Thomas – For Steve LeBlanc
Lynn Thompson – For Steve LeBlanc
Charlene Benton- For Steve LeBlanc
John Maisel- For Steve LeBlanc
Robert Rose- For Steve LeBlanc
Dr. LeBlanc-For Steve LeBlanc
Bill Love- For Steve LeBlanc
G.W. –Cornelus- For Steve LeBlanc
Greg West- For Steve LeBlanc
Tony Brown- For Steve LeBlanc
Anne Forrester-For Steve LeBlanc
Gwen McCarty-For Steve LeBlanc
David Stanowski- Never stated for or against
Lisa Gertner-For Steve LeBlanc
John Paisley- For Steve LeBlanc
Mariam McGowen- For Steve LeBlanc
Jerry Mohn- For Steve LeBlanc
Susanne Sullivan- For Steve LeBlanc
Dan Coate- For Steve LeBlanc
Stanley Brown-For Steve LeBlanc
Bill Clement- For Steve LeBlanc
Anthony Rios- For Steve LeBlanc
Susan Fennewald- Against
Leroy Paul- For Steve LeBlanc
Keith Stovall- For Steve LeBlanc
Darlene Lanham-Against
Richard Aman-Against
Michael Gray-Against

Diane Polzin-For Steve LeBlanc
Tom LaRue-For Steve LeBlanc
M.G. Moore- For Steve LeBlanc
Sheila Bell- For Steve LeBlanc
Marty Baker- For Steve LeBlanc
Kevin Matthews- For Steve LeBlanc
Gene Williamson-For Steve LeBlanc
John Menna-For Steve LeBlanc
Patricia Bolton-Legg- For Steve LeBlanc
Erin Toberman- For Steve LeBlanc
John Dreiss For Steve LeBlanc
Charles Jones- Against
Robert Itsie-Against
Dana Keenan-For Steve LeBlanc
Geron Sanders-For Steve LeBlanc
Robert Mohivol- For Steve LeBlanc
Wanda Greer- For Steve LeBlanc

5. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Discuss and consider for action removing Steve LeBlanc as the City Manager.
CM Beeton moved for approval. Second by Gonzales.
Against CM Legg and CM Puccetti. Motion Carried.
- B. Discuss and consider for action providing Steve LeBlanc a termination Severance package upon executing a release.
CM Greenberg moved for approval. Second by MPT Colbert.
All in favor: CM Greenberg, MPT Colbert, CM Puccetti, CM Gonzales, CM Beeton and Mayor Jaworski. CM Legg not present.
Compensation of 9 months severance package of salary and health insurance with pension contribution and to be on call for 3 months for city staff only.
- C. Allow Steve LeBlanc to address the Council and request written reasons for any removal.
Steve LeBlanc addressed Council.
- D. Discuss and consider for action appointing an acting City Manager and Establish the terms and compensation.
Mayor Jaworski moved for approval for there to be two co-existing City Managers. Second by CM Beeton. Unanimously by those present.
CM Legg not present. Brian Maxwell and Carolyn Cox were named as the two co-existing City Managers.
- E. Discuss and consider for action the criteria and selection process for hiring

a new City Manager.

Mayor Jaworski moved for approval to recess until tomorrow (4-28-2011) at 3 p.m. Second by CM Beeton. Unanimously by those present. CM Legg not present.

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor and council went into executive session at 7:44 p.m.

7. **MEETING RECESSED UNTIL 3 P.M ON APRIL 28, 2011.**

The meeting reopened at 3:12 p.m. on April 28, 2011.

The Mayor allowed David Stanowski to speak

The Mayor and Council started back up with item 5E.

The Mayor spoke to Carolyn Cox (The City's Human Resource Director) as to what is the process for hiring the New City Manager? Carolyn Cox said that it should take about six months and the Mayor said it will take as long as it will take. Carolyn also said we have to do a RFQ for this because there are too many firms out there and the cost is between \$20,000 or \$30,000.

Carolyn Cox recommended that we should call up and talk to the firm called "Texas First Group Replacement Services" and see if we can get an experienced City Manager on an interim basis before we do an RFQ. CM Greenberg and MPT Colbert would like to see someone in the position before the holidays. CM Beeton asked if we would be giving the new manager a contract? City Attorney Green read what the City Charter said about hiring a City Manager. CM Beeton asked if we can ask any of our City Staff if they were interested in the position. Mayor Jaworski said that is a great idea. Mayor Jaworski wants City Staff to feel that there is a sense of stability here at the City. Mayor said that on May 12th there will be a free for all for those who are interested for the job. Jeff Miller announced that he wanted Council to appoint either Brian Maxwell or Carolyn Cox to execute Contracts and have signature authority.

CM Gonzales moved for approval for Brian Maxwell to execute contracts and be a signature authority. Second by Mayor Jaworski. Unanimously approved.

8. **ADJOURNED.**

Meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.