

1. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Thomas, CM Pena, CM Puccetti, MPT Weber, CM Bolton-Legg, CM Colbert
 Absent: CM Roberts
 Staff: City Manager LeBlanc, City Attorney Green, City Secretary Lawrence and Sr. Asst. City Secretary De La Fuente

5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT
None

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2008 were approved upon Motion by MPT Weber. Second by CM Bolton-Legg. Unanimously approved by CM Puccetti, CM Bolton-Legg, Mayor Thomas, MPT Weber. CM Colbert and CM Pena abstained. CM Roberts absent.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2008 were approved upon Motion by CM Puccetti. Second by MPT Weber. Unanimously approved by CM Puccetti, CM Pena, CM Colbert, MPT Weber, Mayor Thomas. CM Bolton-Legg Abstained. CM Roberts absent.

7. PRESENTATIONS:
Families, Children, and Youth Board Annual Report
Lasker Park Fund: Presentation of community donated funds by Benjamin Harris Kempner Lynch in recognition of completing his Eagle Scout Project at Lasker Park.
Proclamations: Poison Prevention Week 3/16 – 3/22/08
 Greek Independence Day 3/25/08

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS
A. Notices of Claim: 08019-Keri Johnson; 08020-Nellie Midandia; 08021-A, B, C, D-Jacqueline Meyer; 08022-Susie Johnson; 08023-John &Gwen McCarty; 08024-US Pipe Technology
B. Texas Gas Service: Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause for March 2008

9. ORDINANCES ASSOCIATED WITH PUBLIC HEARINGS

N/A

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Russell Mai, 6102 Seawall Blvd. #363, against the Ordinance surfing within 300 feet of fishing piers.

Phil Newton, 3002 Ave O1/2, against the Height and Density Study done by the Winter Group.

Brent Turner, 5007 Baywood Drive, Pasadena, Texas, support the Port of Galveston In deepening the Galveston Ship Channel to 45 feet.

Jeff Sjoström, Galveston Economic Development Partnership, support the Texas Industry Loan Program for the Port of Galveston.

Gary Poirrier, 6514 Esplande BR LA 70806, support of the deepening of the Galveston Ship Channel.

Bob Brown, 1027 Sealy, in support of the Winter Report in terms of the development standards and guidelines but did state that the Seawall Overlay Zone is too narrow.

Steve Hale, 2920 Todd, Pelican Island, support of the authorizing the issuance of City Of Galveston, Texas Wharves and Terminal Revenue Bonds Series 2008.

Jackie Cole, 2308 Sydnor, decision-making process concerning recently announced Amendment to the Marquette Land Usage.

Louis Conrad, 12708 Bermuda Beach Drive, spoke on amending Section 34-110 "Parking Totally Prohibited" of "The Code of the City of Galveston 1982, as amended" to allow parking on Pabst Road and Bermuda Beach Drive in the Bermuda Beach Subdivision.

11. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Consider for approval an Ordinance of the City of Galveston, Texas amending Section 34-110 "Parking Totally Prohibited" of "The Code of the City of Galveston 1982, as amended" to allow parking on Pabst Road and Bermuda Beach Drive in the Bermuda Beach Subdivision.

ORDINANCE was read by caption: AMENDING SECTION 34-110 "PARKING TOTALLY PROHIBITED" OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON 1982, AS AMENDED," TO ALLOW PARKING ON PABST ROAD AND BERMUDA BEACH DRIVE IN THE BERMUDA BEACH SUBDIVISION; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT.

Deferred : Motion to deferred by CM Puccetti. Second by MPT Weber. Unanimously by those present. CM Bolton-Legg and CM Roberts absent. Deferred until the March 27, 2008 Regular Council Meeting.

B. Consider for approval an ordinance of the City of Galveston, Texas authorizing the issuance of City of Galveston, Texas Wharves and Terminal Revenue Bonds, Series 2008; authorizing the execution of a third supplemental trust indenture; making various findings and provisions relating to the subject.

ORDINANCE was read by caption: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF GALVESWTON, TEXAS WHARVES AND TERMINAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A THRID SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDETURE: MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT.

Motion to approve by MPT Weber. Second by CM Puccetti.

Unanimously Approved by those present. CM Bolton-Legg and CM Roberts absent.

With the additions and language and terms described by the City Attorney Green.

12. ACTION ITEMS

The following items shall be considered for action as a whole, unless one or more Council Members objects:

- A. Consider for action approving the 2008 Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Consolidated Program Objectives and Program of Projects in the amount of \$1,944,658.
- B. Consider for action approving low bid submitted by Galveston Paint Company in the amount of \$36,766.00 to provide housing rehabilitation services at 1511 Avenue L. Funding source is HOME Entitlement Funds.
- C. Consider for action approving low bid submitted by Galveston Paint Company in the amount of \$48,215.00 to provide housing rehabilitation services at 1218 41st Street. Funding source is HOME Entitlement Funds.
- D. Consider for action approving low bid submitted by Westgate Builders in the amount of \$51,212.56 to provide housing rehabilitation services at 608 44th Street. Funding source is HOME Entitlement Funds.
- E. Consider for action approving low bid submitted by Westgate Builders in the amount of \$67,709.26 to provide housing rehabilitation services at 3527 Avenue I. Funding source is HOME Entitlement Funds.
- F. Consider for action authorizing the City to waive the collection of animal tag registration fees from the Galveston Island Humane Society for 2008 only on those pets spay/neuter adopted out.
- G. Consider for action approving a funding allocation to the Skate Park, reducing the City Manager contingency funding to \$2,081.24 and restating the funding from Kempner Funds \$7,500.00, the CDBG funding reallocation of \$70,058.34 and the Yaga Children Fund donation of \$6,551.45, to remain within previously Council approved total Grindline Skate Park Project funding of \$285,439.50.

- H. Consider for action approving the purchase of two submersible pumps for Lift Station #14 from Hahn Equipment Company, sole source provider, for the Wastewater Treatment Division in the amount of \$18,810.00. Funding source is Wastewater Treatment Plant Equipment Parts Account.
- I. Consider for action approving a contract amendment to the Goodman Corporation Task #8A Master Agreement, to provide consulting services for Port of Galveston participation in downtown transit terminal development and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract amendment only after Port written financial commitment. This amendment will be funded by the Port in the amount of \$75,000.00.
- J. Consider for action approving a contract amendment to the Goodman Corporation Task #2 Master Agreement to provide National Transit Data Base completion assistance and to provide transit passenger sampling of both requirements of the FTA and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract amendments. The total funds to be obligated for the amendment are \$95,000.00, 80% federal funds and 20% local funds.

Motion to approve Action Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J by CM Colbert. Second by CM Puccetti. Unanimously approved by those present. CM Bolton-Legg and CM Roberts absent.

13. MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS
N/A

14. MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CM Bolton-Legg

Reported on the following;

- Opening on the Planning Commission turn in Applications to City Secretary by March 24, 2008
- Planning Commission Interviews take place on March 27, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.
- Opening in the Building & Standards Commission
- CDBG Funding and the Renaissance Zone Central; largest sum that has been given out for a Zone (\$253,360)
- Over \$6 million has been spent in the Old Central Carver Park Neighborhood for activities from 1997-2007. That area has received the majority of funding.

- Primary Election- There was a lot people voting in Galveston. Thanked everyone for voting.
- City Election – Please vote. Stated that Council directly affects your everyday life. So please vote.

CM Colbert

Reported on the following:

- Texas Alliance of Black Educators
- Kempner Park Neighborhood Association
- Increase in Crime

MPT Weber

Reported on the following:

- Mid Income
- Mid Income Jobs
- Industrial Galveston is alive and well
- Winter Company
- Vote: Go Vote
- Park Board / Stewart Beach

CM Puccetti

Reported on the following:

- 1st Annual Conference of Transportation in Washinton, DC
- National League of Cities Meeting in Washington, DC
- Seminar on Building and Renovating Green / Sustainability Report Card
- Thanked Winter Group
- West Galveston Island Property Owners Association / Featherfest

CM Pena

Reported on the following:

- Spring Break /Sunscreen
- Law Enforcement/ Don't Drink and Drive
- 14th Annual Galveston County Health Drive / Proclamation
- 6th Annual Galveston Island Nature Festival / April 3-6 at 23rd and Strand
- The City's Emergency Notification System
- San Jacinto Neighborhood Association
- April is Colon Cancer Awareness Month
- City Elections / Go Vote

- Birthday wish to Gavin Rushing (1st)

City Manager LeBlanc

Reported on the following:

- Kempner Park Neighborhood Association Community Meeting GAIN was there too
- Address Crime Issues at 35th and Avenue M
Will bring a plan to Council in two weeks to Discuss this
- Garbage Cans / Drainage System keeping it clean
- Spring Clean Up On Saturday April 3rd –5th and April 11th –12th
- Free drop off at our Transfer Station the entire month of March public bring your water bill when you do this.

Mayor Thomas

Reported on the following:

- Reedy Chapel Church / 160th Anniversary
- St. Paul's Church / 160th Anniversary
- Kempner Park, GAIN, San Jacinto Neighborhood Association
- Please don't dirty up gutters / help each other to keep clean
- Birthday Wish to Patsy Poole (90th)

15. N/A

16. N/A

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.