

CITY OF CONVERSE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16, 2007  
7:00 PM

The City Council of the City Of Converse met in a regular meeting at the Converse Municipal Complex on Tuesday, October 16, 2007 at 7:00 PM to discuss various items on the agenda. The following were present:

Mayor Al Suarez	Mayor Pro Tem Scott Jauregui, Place 4
Councilwoman Nancy Bazany, Place 1	Councilwoman Robin Benbrook, Place 2
Councilman Billy Schindler, Place 3	Councilman Jim Uballe, Place 5
Councilwoman Gloria Weers, Place 6	Mr. Sam Hughes, City Manager
Ms. Laura Arens, Assistant City Manager	Mr. Rick Jamison, Police Chief
Mr. Richard Wendt, Fire/EMS Chief	Mr. Jerry Wilson, Finance Director
Mr. Karl Hoppes, Public Works Facility Manager	Ms. Trisha Neeley, Municipal Court Clerk
Mr. Mike Mercado, Street Department	Mr. Mark Luft, COC EDC Exe. Director
Mr. Ray Ortiz, City Attorney	Ms. Penny Hieronymus, City Secretary

{Tape 1, Side A}

1. Call City Council Meeting to Order

At approximately 7:00 PM, Mayor Suarez called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation by Pastor Paul Wilkinson, Rock of Faith Missionary Baptist Church

Pastor Paul Wilkinson gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Suarez led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors

Mayor Suarez asked the record to reflect that all Council members are present.

5. Consent Agenda. All of the following Items May Be Acted Upon By One Motion. No Separate Discussion or Action on Any of the Items Is Necessary Unless Desired By A Council Member

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes – City Council Meeting September 18, 2007 (Actually, Oct. 2, 2007)
- B. Receive Park & Recreation Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on September 17, 2007
- C. Receive Park & Recreation Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on September 24, 2007
- D. Receive Planning Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on August 28, 2007
- E. Receive Beautification and Environmental Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on September 10, 2007
- F. Receive Fire and EMS Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on August 27, 2007
- G. Receive EDC Commission Minutes for Meeting Conducted on September 11, 2007

Councilwoman Benbrook made a motion to approve agenda items # 5 A-G. Councilwoman Weers seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda items #5 A-G.

6. Citizens To Be Heard. This time is provided for citizens to address City Council on any issues and concerns. No City Council discussion or action can be taken if the item is not on the Agenda. Please limit your remarks to three (3) minutes and state your name and address for the record.

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-Mr. David C. Agold, Jr. of 9804 Meadow Hill signed up to speak, but was not present.

-Mr. Rene Rodriguez, Jr. of 8226 Coppergate addressed items #10 A & #10 B referring to Ord. 303, Page 3, Section II, Letter A: "The Commission shall be responsible for planning and executing the festivities of the annual Night in Ole Converse conducted the first weekend of October." Mr. Rodriguez recognized Ms. Schindler who did an outstanding job at NIOC, along with the City; CC & City staff were fabulous in providing a wonderful NIOC. If this is limited to only NIOC, then it should be amended to add Ord. 321 as an addition to Ord. 303 instead of creating a new Ord. & a new Commission. If not, then why is it not Ord. 303 A (alpha) or Ord. 304 and why is it not hyper linked so that the citizens can get a read-ahead prior to a CC reading. His question is why waste the citizens time, effort & maybe some of the CC's money to establish a new Ord. or new Commission for P&R festivities only, when it is already covered in Ord. 303?

-Ms. Michelle Dobbs of 10111 Margarita Hill will speak on agenda item #10 E.

-Mr. Raul L. Aguirre of 245 Ralston deferred his time to Mr. Rene Rodriguez of 8226 Coppergate. Mr. Rodriguez relayed an actual incident which happened to Mr. Aguirre: you are at your house & go to work one evening, while at work your daughter/son is sitting home & all of a sudden your home gets broken into. Your child does not know what to do other than call 911 immediately. The response time of the police dept. was very responsive. He is trying to get a light placed near his residence or near his residence area or between 245–241 Ralston. There is currently a power box & the infrastructure basically, is already there, electrical wise to go ahead & be able to tap in it. He had photos available for review. He also had all of the neighbors sign a petition on that street wishing CC would take his advice & get a light placed in front of that area. Another reason is because it is a school pick up for some of the kids & it is very dark early in the morning when the school buses come by early in the morning.

-Mr. Gary Gibbs of 10111 Margarita Hill will speak on agenda item #10 E.

-Ms. Kayla Birdwell of 300 Austin Highway, Suite 100 will speak on agenda item #10 D.

-Mr. E. Sayers of 10114 Margarita Hill stated the City has been billing several of the residents for water for late payments that have not been done & this has been an ongoing issue for several months now. He brought it to the Asst. City Mgr.'s attention last week. He does not want to be billed for late payments that he is making on time. Several people on the street that he lives on have the same problem.

-Ms. Melissa Youngblood of 10760 Old Toepperwein Road deferred her time to Mr. Todd Ingraham.

-Mr. Todd Ingraham of 9262 Schaefer stated Converse has had 2 soldiers fallen in Iraq (1 was his son who died on May 8, 2005 & 1 was a Capt.). He asked the COC/CC to naming/renaming something (street, building, etc.) after these 2 fallen soldiers. He feels the soldiers' need/asked to be recognized.

He also addressed Ord. 632, whereas the CC & the COC desires obtaining maximum citizen input decisions concerning anesthetic, beautification & environmental issues. Every time it rains, his entire front of his house goes between 2-3' of water. & he is not even in a flood zone. This is water that comes from JHS & if there is trash he has to go out & pick it up the next day. The entire side of his house is sand bagged; when it rains he has to shut the doors, roll up towels & stand there with a 10 gallon wet vac. The JHS parking lot was readjusted, the street in front of the house was re-adjusted & his house was build in 1975 according to Bexar Co. He has photos available for review. He would like the COC to do something about this issue. He is asking for a little help.

### 7. Special Consideration Items

#### A. Discussion and Action to on a Request to Approve Jorge Topete as a Member of the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

Mayor Suarez stated we have 2 individuals who have submitted their applications to replace 1 of the members who had to resign for personal reasons. This position will be until May 2008.

Mr. Jorge Topete was not present.

Councilman Uballe asked how these names came to be brought forward for this agenda?

Mr. Luft stated when the Board of Director (BOD) resigned, it was brought to the Directors attention & he believed the Chairman asked if anybody had any recommendations or to pass the word out. This gentleman's resume was in his basket. The second item, it was a previous member with good standing that already had asked to be reinstated & someone got the word to him so he immediately put his name in the hat. We have several copies of other candidates & their names were recommended before & they were not considered at the time. He did not know if they would re-consider.

Councilwoman Bazany made a motion to approve agenda item #7 A.

This item failed for lack of a second.

#### B. Discussion and Action to on a Request to Approve Howie Marbach as a Member of the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

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Councilman Uballe commented that Mr. Marbach is a long standing resident of this community, successful business man & has served on the EDC before, highly respected & has contributed a lot to the Corp. & he would be very pleased to support him coming back on the Commission.

Mayor Suarez agreed with Councilman Uballe.

Councilwoman Weers made a motion to approve agenda item #7 B. Councilman Schindler seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #7 B.

### 8. Public Hearings

#### A. None

Mayor Suarez stated there were no “Public Hearings”.

### 9. Old Business

#### A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Request to Provide Funds for Town Square Center Street

Mr. Hughes commented the street is called “Center Street”. The street allows traffic conveyance between South Seguin or FM 1516 & FM 78; it intersects FM 78 directly across from Shadow Creek Lane making a 4-way intersection & it comes out just South of what used to be Chism Trail Antiques & is 715’ +/- . When the apartment complex was in planning in 2006 the estimated cost for the street was \$80,000. When we got ready to build the street in Aug. 2007, the 1<sup>st</sup> proposal was that they would simply compact the subgrade which is Houston Soil, compact it to 95% compaction & pour 8” of concrete on top & that would be the street. We have just gone through a rather major challenge at the Fire Station because we put in 5” of base & 7” of concrete & at both approaches from the Thorton Lane spur & Thorton Lane proper have broken & spoiled to the point that both drive approaches had to be replaced. So, we said that is probably not a good idea, but in any case the cost for that proposal was \$280,000. The cost was from a sole source through Galaxy who is the prime contractor for the Town Square Apts. Subsequently, we said that cost is outrageous & we don’t like the idea of putting concrete directly on clay without having any base. We had a meeting with our engineer, their engineer & the GEO Tech. engineering firm were present. The general consensus was our best street could be built on 8-9” of black base & would be used as construction road. As the apt. nears completion, we would put in 2” of asphalt capped to do the final street. The cost for that proposal was \$387,000. We believe both of these to be too high. So, we have Vickory & Associates who are the engineer for the apt. complex, prepare a formal plans. We have prepared a bid package & they are open for competitive bidding on Nov. 15, 2007. At that time, we will know what the best market price available is to build the street. We are certain it will be above the authority of the City Mgr. or City staff. When the bids come in on Nov. 15 they will come to CC for consideration. At that point, CC can decide whether we are going to accept any or all bids at all. If we do, what level of participation should be put back on the Town Square Apt. Complex, what part should be assumed by the City & what part should be passed as a street impact fee on the commercial dev. We believed at the time in 2006, the general concept is we were going to put down 8-12” of road base & would put in a 2” cap; at the time we did a macro estimate of about 850 sq. ft. & believed that the amount of street could be constructed for \$80,000. Clearly, today, asphalt, road components, concrete, etc. have gone up in price. You can’t build in the fall of 2007 the same street that you could build in 2006 for \$80,000, but it should not cost near \$280,000-\$387,000. The way to prove this out is to actually have someone that says they would build this for this amount of money. Mr. Hughes thinks this is counter productive for the City to pay the cost of this street. Our investment would simply cause the price of land on those corners to double or triple. If we are going to put in something that makes that location so valuable, we think that the price ought to be passed back to the landowner to make their fair share of contribution to that street.

MPT Jauregui made a motion to table agenda item #9 A until the 1<sup>st</sup> available meeting after the bids come in. Councilwoman Benbrook seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to table agenda item #9 A until the 1<sup>st</sup> available meeting after the bids come in.

### 10. New Business

#### A. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Request to Approve City of Converse Ordinance #303; an Ordinance to Establish and Regulate the Park and Recreation Commission for the City of Converse; and Superceding City of Converse Ordinance #303 Dated March 7, 2006 (First Reading) (Councilwoman Bazany)

Councilwoman Bazany stated she has not had a chance to meet with the P&R Commission to discuss this.

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Councilwoman Bazany made a motion to table agenda item #10 A until a later date. Councilwoman Benbrook seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve to table agenda item #10 A.

- B. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Request to Approve City of Converse Ordinance #321; an Ordinance to Establish and Regulate the Festival Commission for the City of Converse (First Reading) (Councilwoman Bazany)

Councilwoman Bazany made a motion to table agenda item #10 B until a later date. Councilwoman Benbrook seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve to table agenda item #10 B.

- C. Discussion and Appropriate Action to Appoint Judge Phillips as an Associate Municipal Judge for the City of Converse for a Period of Three Months (City Manager)

Mr. Hughes explained the situation for the COC. The City had appointed Judge Minarich as our Municipal Judge and Judge Mark Sideman as Associate. Judge Sideman is now our primary Judge but cannot make each & every court date so we should recruit another Judge to help us on court dates when Judge Sideman cannot attend. We have found Judge Phillips (resume in CC packets) & he has agreed to lend us a hand until we get a Municipal Judge appointed.

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Mr. Hughes stated Judge Phillips is here tonight & we recommend that he be appointed as an Associate Judge

Mayor Suarez stated Judge Phillips comes highly recommended by Cities of Leon Valley, Boerne & Live Oak.

Councilman Uballe thanked Judge Phillips for his willingness to step up & helping us at this time.

Judge Phillips commented Judge Minarich was a friend & colleague of his. He is available whenever we need him (short term/long term). He appreciates the opportunity & appreciates coming before CC today & voice his sincere condolences for a really good man (Judge Minarich) & a good Judge & to serve the COC.

Councilman Schindler made a motion to approve agenda item #10 C. Councilman Uballe seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #10 C.

Mayor Suarez swore in Judge Phillips as our Associate Municipal Judge.

Judge Phillips was given a round of applause.

- D. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Variance to Ordinance 604 to Allow a LED Sign to be Installed at Walgreens, 10650 Toepperwein Road (Assistant City Manager)

Ms. Arens stated the Zoning Commission met last night on this issue. They would like to put up the same type of sign that is at the Walgreens on FM 78. They are here for a variance because our Ord. 604 does not allow this. The Zoning Commission & staff recommend approval.

Councilwoman Benbrook made a motion to approve agenda item #10 D. Councilman Schindler seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #10 D.

- E. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Variance to Zoning Ordinance 617 Section III “R-1” Single Family District C: Area Regulations 1. Front Yard Setback for an Encroachment of Approximately 0.9 Feet into the Front Setback at the Garage, 10111 Margarita Hill (Assistant City Manager)

Ms. Arens stated the Zoning Commission met last night on this issue. They have representatives here tonight from the development for Margarita Hill. This is an unfortunate situation where the engineer went out, checked the property, stated it was okay, put their seal on the property it & they built the house. When it came down for closing on the house it was discovered that it was almost 11' (garage) into the 20' setback. This is a special built house & the lady who is purchasing the house is handicapped. Now, the builders have put in a new checklist to make sure that this does not happen again. When

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they found this out, they (builders) have gone over & above to prevent have this from happening again. There is a manila folder in front of CC, which has special documents that they brought this evening to show that it was inspected & things were they thought were correct. The Zoning Commission voted unanimous to recommend approval & Ms. Arens agrees.

Councilwoman Benbrook made a motion to approve agenda item #10 E. Councilwoman Weers seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #10 E.

- F. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Variance to Ordinance 604 to Allow a LED Sign be Installed at A to Z Rents Located at 9067 FM 78 (Assistant City Manager)

Ms. Arens stated the Zoning Commission met last night on this issue. Mr. Homan is present tonight. Our Ord. requires this to come before the Zoning Commission & CC. The Zoning Commission voted unanimously to approve this. Mr. Homan's sign will have time & temperature on his sign. The Zoning Commission voted unanimously to approve & staff recommends approval.

Councilman Schindler made a motion to approve agenda item #10 F. Councilman Uballe seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #10 F.

- G. Discussion and Appropriate Action on a Variance to Ordinance 617 Section VIII "B-2 Retail District D. Other Restrictions #5. Height Restrictions to Allow the Press Box for the New JISD Football/Track Stadium to be 5-Foot 3 Inches Above the Maximum Height Limit of 90 Feet (Assistant City Manager)

Ms. Arens stated the Zoning Commission met last night on this issue. They have in front of them a nice colored sketch from PBK & Mr. David Garza the architect is here tonight for the Judson stadium & the Red Campus. Our height restriction is 90'. The portion that curves up toward the football field is 5'3" above that 90'. Chief Wendt was at the meeting & this was discussed. There have changed the design to where there is a standpipe inside the stretcher so that the fire dept. can load the standpipe with water. They have asked that in front of the stadium that no other stretchers are built & keep the apron clear. The Zoning Commission voted unanimously to accept this plan with the variance & the Fire Chief sees no problem.

Mr. Garza stated they have no problems with the restrictions & have begun applying the restrictions.

Councilman Schindler made a motion to approve agenda item #10 G with the following stipulations:

- #1 – The addition of a stand pipe as prescribed by Fire Chief Wendt
- #2 – No structure is to be built on the front apron of the press box.

Councilman Uballe seconded the motion.

It passed unanimously to approve agenda item #10 G with the above two (2) stipulations.

- H. Discussion of Tier II Street Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 (Director of Facilities and City Manager)

Mr. Hoppes stated he had provided CC with photos on the drainage issue of Toepperwein Road. He also drafted a letter, which talks about some cost involved with the roadway. He drove the area near here & came up with some pictures of what he thought Toepperwein Road would best look like for the money we would like to spend. We have 4-6' to work with on that road & basically 10' on each side. There is 25' of pavement that exists. He is advocating on installing a concrete line bar ditch on both sides that would be 6" thick. Then, when we have heavy rains like we have had this year, we would not have erosion on that road anymore. On page 2, it shows a bar ditch that is in a sister City near us & it has a depth of 24" & it has a culvert underneath the driveway. He is not a big fan of culverts underneath driveways because they clog up & you have to unclog them & they just look bad when traveling down the road. Mr. Hoppes went over his presentation. The concrete ditch would fit what we have. He is advocating low washout driveways for all of the homeowners on Toepperwein Road from Meadow Forge to 1976. Typically, when roads are built you have a 3" crown from the center that slopes to each edge of the pavement & from there you have a bar ditch. When we get to the end of the project at 1976, at some point we would have to get TXDOT on board with us to put a collection box to pipe the water that all goes to the end at an open ditch on 76. In round numbers we are looking at \$247,000 per side to do the concrete bar ditches; then a mill & mix on Toepperwein Road & lay new asphalt. This would complete the project; it is a 2-part project. Public Works would keep the road passable. The cost of the road itself is somewhere around \$112,000, being that it is a 2 phase project by the time they get to doing the actual asphalt on the project there would be an increase with that (oil, etc. prices going up).

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At this time, there were questions & answers.

Mr. Hoppes stated basically every year Public Works spends 3-4 times per year cleaning out the bar ditches with a sediment that is washed from the higher end to the lower end. We tried 1 year at 1 point to put black base on the shoulder & due to water leaks & rains, it did not hold up. We spent a lot of money when we did the black base & we spend a lot of money every year when we go out there & re-shape the bar ditch with our maintainer & basically close the road down every time we do it & that is a hardship. He is advocating spending more money & doing it right 1 time. We would not have to get into underground utilities very much with this plan. Toepperwein Road is going to get realigned & will become a secondary road. Mr. Hoppes stated if we spend this amount of money on the project, he sees it as a project that all of the citizens who drive down that road from this community will feel good about what they have here there & what has been accomplished & how their tax dollars were spend. The erosion problem would go away because we would have a hard surface for the water to flow onto. This would only be from 1976 to Meador Forge, which is 3,366' long/length of the project. He said from Meadow Forge to Kitty Hawk it would be under contract with a contractor, which we would go out for bids for. Public Works has a lot on its plate already to do & to accomplish & it would have an impact on what we have published on the web page. Again, we would have to work things in phases. The project can be done & surfaced drain for now until TXDOT is on board with us. There is a plan right now that is underway, new traffic light arms at 76 & Toepperwein & they are also doing it to Schaefer Road & 1516. When they do the arms they are going to do ADA sidewalks & curbs, just on the raise on all 4 corners. TXDOT is not real fast at going over there to clean the bar ditch out. In fact, Public Works often times has to go over there & to do it.

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Mr. Hughes stated at the budget workshop we presented a Tier 2 program, which included Toepperwein & basically it went down the major street that exited every subdivision. The grand total for the projects listed was around 2007 was around \$2 million dollars. What we ended up with was around \$467,000 into capital improvements to the streets that was this 2007-2008 years portion of that Tier 2 program. This briefing is getting down to the details & to the CC's concurrence, explicitly that this is what we are going to do with this year's \$467,000. The scope that is being briefed tonight cannot be accomplished in 2007-2008 FY. If you were here about 11 years ago, you would recognize that Toepperwein between 1976 & 7<sup>th</sup> Street was the best street in town.

Again, there were questions & answers. There was much discussion on widening of Toepperwein, water, planning, etc.

### 11. Reports

#### A. City Council Reports

##### (1) Report and Discussion of the Fire and EMS Commission Meeting

Councilwoman Weers reported:

-They met Oct. 1, CC met Oct. 2 & she gave the report then

##### (2) Report and Discussion of the Planning Commission Meeting

Councilman Uballe reported:

-He gave the report at the Oct 2 CC meeting

##### (3) Report and Discussion of the Park and Recreation Commission Meeting

Councilwoman Bazany reported:

-P&R has actually met 2 times & both meetings were basically about follow up details for NIOC

-NIOC was a great success

-She did not have the final numbers on the amount of attendees or final figures for NIOC

-The NIOC preliminary report was that we exceeded last year's attendance by a great deal, significant increase on Thursday & Friday nights

-Next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 5 & should have final figures by then

Mr. Hughes reported:

-We do not have the revenue from the Lion's Club beer sales

-He is not sure that all of the expenses are turned in

-Total gates this year – 33,346, which is a record; we set records all 3 nights

-Carnival total - \$6,611.85, which is a record

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- Food vendors - \$5,547.5
- Arts & Crafts - \$1,700
- Auction - \$2,920
- Dunking booth - \$155
- Cake Walk - \$105
- Kids Corner - \$99.25
- Sponsors - \$13,100, which does not include the pavilion lights sponsors, which was Gerard Electric \$800 & Sam's Club \$500 = \$1,300
- All together, revenue - **\$64,884.60**

### -Expenses:

- Friday night entertainment = \$2,900
- Saturday night entertainment = \$3,900
- Sound system = \$800
- Talent contest = \$350
- Advertising – KJ 97 = \$5,030
- Express News - \$1,878.45
- Prime Time/Herald = \$456.48
- Auction items: we spent \$2,040.55 for auction items
- Mayor's reception = \$140.31
- Dixie Flags for putting up our banners - \$609
- Pavilion lights= \$ 3,800
- All together, expenses = **\$21,904.79**

#### (4) Report and Discussion of the Environmental and Beautification Commission Meeting

Councilwoman Benbrook reported:

- Had a special meeting/workshop last night with 1 agenda item on developing a storm water management program
- They will be giving Mr. Hughes by the early Dec. a plan that he can incorporate

#### (5) Report and Discussion of Items of Interest to City Council Members

Ms. Hieronymus reported:

- Early voting starts Oct. 22 through Nov. 2 at City Hall in her office
- Election day is Tues., Nov. 6 at the City Hall conference room
- Both candidates are present tonight: Robin Benbrook & Rene Rodriguez, Jr.

Mayor Suarez reported:

- NIOC was a huge success; he thanked the P&R Commission, City staff, Police Dept., Fire Dept., Public Works & all of the Commission members
- Had a meeting with the Greater Bx. Co. members regarding the detention magistration subject & there will be no changes as of right now, they will meet again on Nov. 21
- We are still working on FM 1604 road project that was postponed from FM 78 to Lower Seguin; there have been meetings with TXDOT, local TXDOT office, individuals from the Governors office & Congressman Cuellar's office; he feels we have made some leeway & with their support we should be getting this project moving forward; there is a lot of coordination behind the scenes& our EDC Executive Director, Mr. Luft is making sure we get this back on line
- Converse Elementary had their ground-braking today & will be begin building very soon

### B. Staff Reports

#### (1) Report and Discussion of Significant Fire and EMS Events

Chief Wendt reported:

- Staying very busy & getting busier all of the time
- They appreciate all of the support

#### (2) Report and Discussion of Significant Police Events

Chief Jamison reported:

- No problems at all on the police dept. side for NIOC
- The police dept. & fire dept. will be going out to Sam's Club this Sat., for Public Safety Awareness from noon to 4 PM, Corp. Scogins & the K-9 will be out there

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- Busy
- In the process of hiring 2 new dispatchers for the ones that have left
- Have 1 new officer that started today
- Getting ready for the holidays

### (3) Report and Discussion of Significant Economic Development Activity

Mr. Luft reported:

- Board of Dir. voted last week to hold 2 public hearings for the phase in of the digital marquee to be located within the complex; MPT Jauregui & Dr. Riley received information on that & there are some options
- Site clearance on the 100 blocks of Patsy & Hilltop for Toepperwein
- They will continue buying property
- Wendy's – Ribbon cutting on Oct. 23 @ 10 AM
- Bush's Fried Chicken – walls will start going up on Fri.
- Grady's Bar-B-Q is operating construction activity right now

### (4) Report and Discussion of Future Agenda Items

Mr. Hughes reported:

- Next CC meeting – Nov. 6, same day as Election Day; as the CC meeting convenes the polls will be closing, will have unofficial results
- Recognize Jeff Lowder from the police dept. for 10 yrs. of service
- Things in order for the acceptance of the property known as the fire dept. pavilion
- Plan an executive session for CC to review the resumes of those candidates who have applied for the position of Municipal Judge, currently there are about 10-12 & will remain open until the end of Oct.
- Primary purpose of the executive session is to identify the candidates CC wishes to interview for consideration
- Will need a special meeting, recommending Nov. 12 for the official canvassing of the votes from the Nov. 6 Election & during the special meeting he recommends that we have an executive session following the official canvassing & the swearing in of the new member & that we have an executive session to interview those candidates for Municipal Judge

## 12. Adjournment

Mayor Suarez thanked the audience for attending the meeting. He thanked Mr. Jeff Flinn of the Herald taking his time to come out.

At approximately 8:34 PM, Mayor Suarez adjourned the meeting.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2007.

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Al Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Adriana I. Hieronymus, City Secretary