

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
LAGO VISTA, TEXAS
FEBRUARY 4, 2010**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 4th day of February, A.D., 2010, the City Council held a Regular Meeting at 6:38 P.M., at City Hall, 5803 Thunderbird, in said City, there being present and acting the following:

Randy Kruger	Mayor	Bill Angelo	City Manager
Darrel Hunt	Mayor Pro Tem	Frank Robbins	Assistant City Manager
Richard Bohn	Council Member	Danny Smith	Police Chief
Pat Dixon	Council Member	Christina Buckner	City Secretary
Dale Mitchell	Council Member	Zach Padgett	Golf Course Director
Bob Bradley	Council Member		
D'Anne Gloris	Council Member		

Mayor Kruger called the Regular Meeting to order and recognized that all Council Members were present.

The numbering below tracks that of the agenda, whereas the actual order of consideration varied, primarily for the convenience of the guests.

CITIZEN INQUIRY:

Andrew Gale submitted the following questions to the City Council regarding the purchase of the Highland Lakes Golf Club:

1. How many members does the Lago Vista golf club have at the moment?
2. Is the golf club making money for the City?
3. If the City buys the Highland Lakes golf club and restores it back to a golf club, are you going to double the members or double the membership fee to pay for this?
4. If no one else can make the golf course profitable, how's the City going to make it profitable?

He stated he had a better solution, to turn the golf club into a greenbelt or a city park. He stated the City could water it using effluent and cut the grass every couple of weeks rather than daily, which would be more cost effective. He stated he would personally pay more for a home backing to a city park than a golf course. He stated by buying the golf course the city would have land to serve the community for all sorts of things such as a hike and bike trail, playgrounds, swings, slides, a water park (like Brushy Creek), a BMX track, a fenced in dog park, soccer fields, and little league fields; things he's heard of in the community that are wanted. He stated as the population of the city grows, people will want more of these things. He stated one 18 hole golf course in the city is enough.

Mayor Kruger responded stating last year the golf course came close to breaking even and there are roughly 100 members. He stated the memberships only comprise 35% of the total revenue and most revenue is from outside folks that play and pay green fees. He stated they do not anticipate that it will cost twice as much to operate the 2nd course as there is a lot of redundancy. The current operator, when he was open, had an additional couple hundred thousand dollars worth of revenue on the course. He stated they feel there is a chance to break even but probably not in the first year. There will probably be a \$150,000 to \$200,000 loss operating both courses. He stated Mr. Gale's suggestions have merit but he feels they would lose more economically and that's not the only consideration in this. He stated with Mr. Gale's suggestion, there would be no revenue, it would be all cost. He stated the golf course is currently zoned as golf course and to do as Mr. Gale suggested would be an arduous task and wouldn't be practical because in some areas the fairway is only 30' wide. He stated people that have property on the golf course would have to agree to have that going on in their back yard. He stated he understands that there are a lot of folks that don't play golf that are interested in parks and other recreational types of things. He stated, for instance, the city currently operates a swimming pool at a significant loss but the community likes it. He stated the pool loses way more money than the golf course does. He stated they also recognize that all city parks that are available are not public parks; they are POA parks and not everyone is a member of the POA. He stated the City has a park committee and they have some funds. He noted that new developments must pay fees or dedicate land for parks and he foresees an increase in this money once more developments are started. He stated the city does intend to address the need for some of the amenities Mr. Gale referenced.

Andrew Gale stated he realizes a greenbelt doesn't generate any revenue but stated it's kind of like the pool; it's what the community wants. He stated he sent out some emails to various groups regarding the meeting and his proposal. He stated he received over 100 replies with only one complaint, and after speaking with that person, they were in favor of his plan.

Mayor Kruger stated the city does not currently have the ability to put effluent on that property as it is currently watered by lake water. He stated it could be another effluent disposal area in the future, but it would cost an estimated \$1.5 million. He stated the Lago Vista golf course, during the summer, uses as much effluent as the city can generate.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. On a motion by Darrel Hunt, seconded by Bob Bradley, the Council unanimously approved the following minutes:
January 21, 2010 Regular Meeting

ACTION ITEMS:

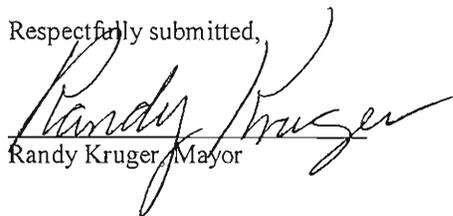
2. Pat Dixon made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented. D'Anne Gloris seconded the motion. Dale Mitchell amended the motion requesting that a stand alone application fee of \$250.00 for lot consolidations be included in the ordinance and the fee schedule. Pat Dixon seconded the motion. Frank Robbins stated the \$250 application fee is in the ordinance and fee schedule and is listed as an amending plat. Bill Angelo stated the terminology can be changed. Dale Mitchell amended his previous motion requesting the additional terminology "application fee" for lot consolidations be added to the ordinance and the fee schedule. Pat Dixon seconded the motion. The Council unanimously adopted Ordinance 10-02-04-01 amending Ordinance 09-11-19-03 by adding fees for special district applications and city drawn lot consolidation plats, amending fees for development agreement application and amending plats; adopting a new fee schedule; providing a severability clause; providing a conflict clause; and providing an effective date, to include the addition of the terminology "application fee" for lot consolidations in the ordinance and the fee schedule.
3. On a motion by Pat Dixon, seconded by D'Anne Gloris, the Council unanimously approved Resolution 10-1448 establishing the procedure for the May 8, 2010 General Election in Lago Vista, Texas and providing for related matters.
4. On a motion by Richard Bohn, seconded by Dale Mitchell, the Council unanimously approved Resolution 10-1449 authorizing the use of City streets for regional bicycle races – *The Primavera at Lago Vista* - to be held February 27 and 28, 2010.
5. On a motion by Richard Bohn, seconded by D'Anne Gloris, the Council unanimously approved Resolution 10-1450 appointing Richard Hartin to fill a vacancy on the Impact Fee Advisory Committee with a term expiring January, 2011.
6. On a motion by Dale Mitchell, seconded by D'Anne Gloris, the Council unanimously approved Resolution 10-1451 appointing Blaine Standiford as an alternate member to the Planning & Zoning Commission with a term expiring January, 2011.
7. On a motion by Bob Bradley, seconded by Richard Bohn, the Council unanimously approved Resolution 10-1452 appointing Tara Griffin as an alternate member to the Board of Adjustment with a term expiring January, 2012.
8. On a motion by Richard Bohn, seconded by Bob Bradley, the Council unanimously accepted the Impact Fee Advisory Committee Semiannual Report.
9. On a motion by Dale Mitchell, seconded by D'Anne Gloris, the Council unanimously accepted the Comprehensive Master Plan Annual Report.

WORK SESSION:

10. The City Manager updated the Council on the following:
 - a. Commercial Development - none
 - b. Residential Development
 - recent meeting with Brian Atlas regarding plans to get going again with Montechino Subdivision
 - similar activities with Mahogany and Hollows
 - c. Police Department Support Organization
 - Bill Angelo expressed need to create 501C3 for donations to PD that can't be expended through City budget
 - Bill Angelo stated Mayor, City Manager and Chief would be officers
 - Darrel Hunt stated he had paperwork needed to do this
 - Darrel Hunt suggested 3 citizens be appointed as officers
 - It was recommended that Bill Angelo and Darrel Hunt get together and come back to Council with something
11. The Council scheduled items for future Council meetings.

Mayor Kruger adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Randy Kruger, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christina Buckner, City Secretary

On a motion by Council Member Pat Dixon, seconded by Council Member Bob Bradley, the above and foregoing instrument was passed and approved this 4th day of March, 2010.