

The City Council of the City of Seabrook met in regular session on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Seabrook City Hall, 1700 First Street, Seabrook, Texas to discuss, consider and if appropriate, take action on the items listed below.

THOSE PRESENT WERE:

GLENN R. ROYAL	MAYOR
ROBERT LLORENTE	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 1
MIKE GIANGROSSO	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 2
GARY JOHNSON	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 3
DON HOLBROOK	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 4
THOM KOLUPSKI - Ex. Abs.	COUNCIL PLACE NO. 5
LAURA DAVIS	MAYOR PRO TEM & COUNCIL PLACE NO. 6
GAYLE COOK	CITY MANAGER
SEAN LANDIS	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
STEVEN L. WEATHERED	CITY ATTORNEY
MICHELE L. GLASER	CITY SECRETARY

Mayor Royal called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the audience in the United States and Texas Pledges of Allegiance.

1.0 PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Seabrook Police Department Badge Presentation for Officer Jason Young. (Holomon)

This item was deferred.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paul Robinson, Dickinson, organizer of the Texas Outlaw Challenge thanked Council for its previous support. He stated that last year's event was one of the top four events of this type nationally and was responsible for 1250 room nights. He added that the goal for FY 2014/15 was to become the second largest event nationally with 1,500+ room nights. He also reported that most of the events this year will be in Kemah, but room blocks have been reserved in Seabrook hotels.

2.1 Mayor, City Council and/or members of the city staff may make announcements about city/community events. (Council)

Councilor Giangrosso reported on several upcoming events. Mayor Royal thanked Mayor Pro Tem Davis for chairing the March 4 meeting.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approve the February 2014 Public Safety Report. (Holomon)

46 **3.2 Approve February 2014 Building report. (Landis)**
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48 **3.3 Approve special events permit and temporary signs for Keels & Wheels annual Classic**
49 **Automobile and Vintage Boat Show at Lakewood Yacht Club to be held May 3-4, 2014.**
50 **(Applicant)**
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52 **3.4 Approve the minutes of the March 4, 2014 regular City Council meeting. (Glaser)**
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54 **3.5 Approve second and final reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2014-07, "Amendment to**
55 **the Regulation of itinerant Vendors." (Council)**

56 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2013-25 AND THE SEABROOK
57 CITY CODE, CHAPTER 22, "BUSINESSES," ARTICLE III. "PEDDLERS, ITINERANT
58 VENDORS, HAWKERS, SOLICITORS AND CANVASSERS", SECTION 22-82,
59 "ITINERANT VENDORS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY" TO ALLOW NON-PROFIT
60 YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS TO BE EXEMPTED FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO
61 OBTAIN AN ITINERANT VENDORS PERMIT; PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN
62 AMOUNT OF \$500.00 OR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PROVIDED BY LAW FOR
63 VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION HEREOF BY INCLUSION IN THE CODE;
64 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR
65 IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING
66 FOR NOTICE.
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68 **3.6 Approve the reappointment of Carl Kuehnel to the Ethics Review Commission for a**
69 **two-year term which will expire October 31, 2015. (Glaser)**
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71 Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Giangrosso
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73 To approve the Consent Agenda.
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75 MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.
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77 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**
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79 **4.0 NEW BUSINESS**
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81 **4.1 Review and allocation of funds for events funded with Hotel Occupancy Tax for FY**
82 **2014/15. (Dearman)**
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84 Director of Public Information, LeaAnn Dearman reported on the recommendations from the
85 Committee for expenditures in FY 2014/15.
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87	Yachty Gras	\$ 1,500
88	Lucky Trails Marathon	\$25,000
89	Keels & Wheels	\$50,000

90	Outlaw Challenge	Defer decision until after this year's event
91	Gulf Coast Film Festival	\$2,500
92	Saltwater Derby	Defer decision until after this year's event
93	Seabrook Festival of the Arts	\$15,000.
94	Bay Access Sailing Program	\$25,000
95	JFest	\$15,000
96	Possible Contingency	\$13,000

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98 The only recommendation for an increase in funding is Bay Access from \$10,000 in FY
99 2013/14 to \$25,000 in FY 2014/15.

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101 Ms. Dearman stated that the representatives of the Botober event had not responded to her
102 requests for submission of an application. Councilor Llorente asked if the group may submit
103 at a later date. Mayor Royal stated all groups funded in the previous year must submit by the
104 deadline. New groups may submit after the deadline for the first year only. Ms. Dearman
105 stated that she sent out applications last fall, sent reminders in January and extended the
106 deadline until February 14 for all groups including the Botober Fest.

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108 Councilor Llorente asked why the committee recommended deferring a decision on the
109 Outlaw Challenge event. Ms. Dearman explained that the Committee had recommended
110 deferment for the Outlaw Challenge event until the completion of this year's event so it can
111 be determined if the organization met the criteria established by Council.

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113 Mayor Royal asked if the Committee had a recommendation for events taking place outside of
114 Seabrook. Ms. Dearman stated that the committee recommended that any event held outside
115 the city limits should be limited to a maximum of \$5,000. Ms. Dearman stated that this
116 recommendation would have to be approved by Council before implementation.

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118 Councilor Johnson asked why the committee had recommended an increase of \$15,000 for
119 Bay Access. Ms. Dearman stated that Bay Access consists of several events throughout the
120 year, with each having potential to increase hotel stays. Councilor Johnson stated that this
121 was a significant increase, especially as he has not yet seen the reward to the city.

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123 From the audience, Andrea Tederro, Lakewood Yacht Club and a planner of the Bay Access
124 youth sailing events, stated that she had requested \$25,000 from the city last year. However,
125 as the deadline had passed, most funds had been committed and only \$10,000 was available.
126 She stated that the January youth sailing event alone was responsible for an additional 141
127 room nights at the Springhill Marriott. A contribution of \$25,000 (which will be
128 approximately 14 percent of the entire Bay Access budget) will make the city a platinum
129 sponsor which will give the city greater advertising presence. Ms. Tederro stated that it is
130 difficult to calculate hotel stays for some events as many of the participants do not make
131 advance hotel reservations although they actually stay one or two nights in a hotel. She added
132 that she planned to reach out to Seabrook bed and breakfast facilities that typically do not
133 benefit from these events and ask for brochures that will be given to participants.

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Councilor Giangrosso stated that he would like to see a report of the number of room nights at each hotel for each event. Mayor Royal stated that has been told by many groups that it had been a challenge to quantify hotel stay nights. He asked Ms. Dearman if she had suggestions to help in this area. Ms. Dearman stated that she has committee recommendations for all applicants.

Mayor Royal announced that he would recuse himself from voting on Yachty Gras.

Motion was made by Councilor Giangrosso and seconded by Councilor Davis

To approve the above recommendations for events in the FY 2014/15 Hotel Tax Budget with the exception of Yachty Gras which will be considered in a separate vote.

Councilor Llorente stated that the \$13,000 contingency would not cover the requests of the Outlaw Challenge, the Saltwater Derby and Boatober Fest at a later date. Ms. Dearman stated that the listed contingency is an estimate based on last year's budget. She stated that the reason she asks for a Council vote early is to allow her to make adjustments to other items in the proposed Hotel Tax Budget. Councilor Davis explained that some expenses in FY 2013/14 may not be required in FY 2014/15, thereby possibly increasing the contingency amount.

Ayes: Royal, Davis, Giangrosso, Holbrook.

Nay: Johnson, Llorente.

MOTION CARRIED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

Mayor Royal left the table and Mayor Pro Tem Davis conducted the meeting for the next motion.

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Giangrosso

To approve Yachty Gras in the amount of \$1,500 as recommended.

Ayes: Davis, Giangrosso, Holbrook.

Nays: Johnson, Llorente

Recused and not voting: Royal.

MOTION CARRIED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

Mayor Royal returned to the table and resumed as Chair.

- 4.2 Accept the City Secretary's certification that all candidates are unopposed for the General Municipal Election scheduled to be held on May 10, 2014 and consider approval of first and final reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2014-08, "Cancellation of the May 10, 2014 Election. " (Glaser)**

AN ORDINANCE CANCELLING THE SEABROOK GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON MAY 10, 2014 IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.053(A) OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE AS ALL CANDIDATES ARE UNOPPOSED.

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Giangrosso

To accept the City Secretary's certification that all candidates are unopposed for the General Municipal Election scheduled to be held on May 10, 2014 and approve first and final reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2014-08, "Cancellation of the May 10, 2014 Election. "

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

4.3 Consider approval of first and final reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2014-09, "Amending the FY 2012/13 Budget." (Lab)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2012 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 FOR THE CITY OF SEABROOK.

Motion was made by Councilor Llorente and seconded by Councilor Davis

To approve first and final reading of proposed Ordinance No. 2014-09.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

5.0 ROUTINE BUSINESS

5.1 Consider approval of the Action Items Checklist which is attached and made a part of this agenda. (Council)

Mrs. Cook reported that the Surf Oaks survey is complete and the surveyor will meet with the property owners regarding some items on the survey.

Motion was made by Councilor Holbrook and seconded by Councilor Johnson

To approve the Action Items Checklist as presented.

MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

5.2 Establish future meeting dates and agenda items including possible rescheduling of May Council meetings. (Council)

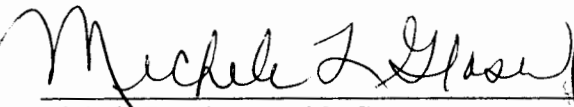
Council agreed to reschedule the May 20 meeting to May 13, as three members are unable to attend the May 20 meeting. New members will take the oath of office at the May 13 meeting.

Upon motion, Mayor Royal adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Approved this 1st day of April 2014.


Glenn R. Royal, Mayor




Michele L. Glaser, TRMC
City Secretary